



### *Pallbearers*

Kevin Davis      LaRon Hilliard  
Dominic Davis    Jerome McClellan  
Jermaine Jackson    Terry Pough

### *Flower Bearers*

Women's Missionary Society

### *Weep Not For Me*

*Weep not for me though I am gone  
Into the gentle night  
Grieve if you will, but not for long  
Upon my soul's sweet flight.  
I am at peace, my soul is at rest  
There is no need for tears.  
For with your love I was so blessed.  
There is no pain, I suffer not,  
The fear now all is gone.  
Put those things out of your thoughts,  
In your memory I live on.  
Remember not my fight for breath  
Remember not the strife  
Please so not dwell upon my death  
BUT CELEBRATE MY LIFE!!!*

*Author – Constance Jenkins*

~Interment~

Heavenly Rest Memorial Park  
126 Smiley Drive, Cordova

~ Repast ~

Immediately Following the Service  
Good Hope A.M.E. Church Fellowship Hall

### *Arrangements Entrusted to:*

**Simmons Funeral Home and Crematory of Orangeburg**

**Simmons Funeral Home of Santee**

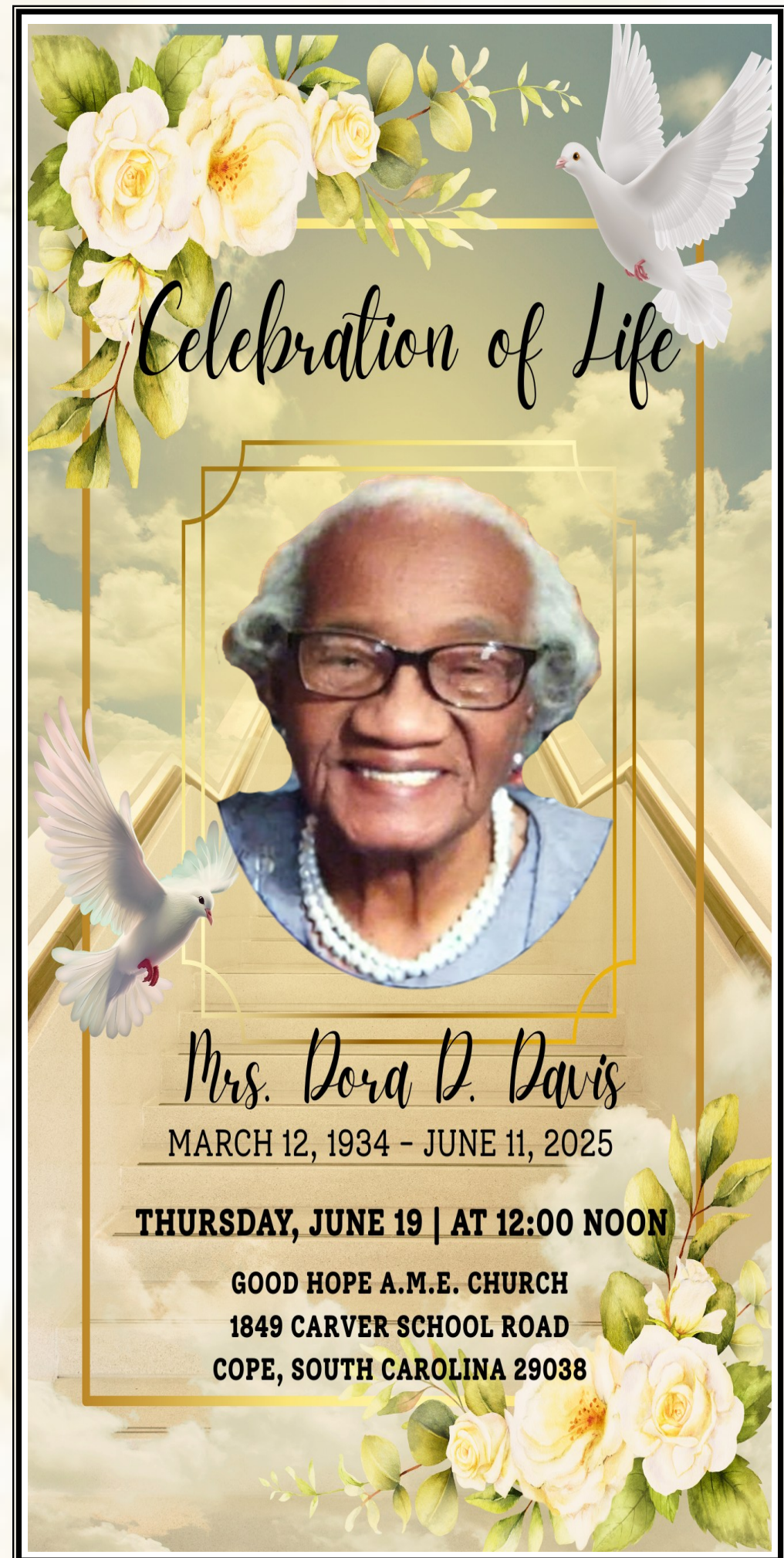
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## *Celebration of Life*

*Mrs. Dora D. Davis*

MARCH 12, 1934 – JUNE 11, 2025

**THURSDAY, JUNE 19 | AT 12:00 NOON**

**GOOD HOPE A.M.E. CHURCH**  
**1849 CARVER SCHOOL ROAD**  
**COPE, SOUTH CAROLINA 29038**





## Order of Service

**Reverend Dr. Georgeann T. Pringle, Officiating**  
**Pastor, Good Hope A.M.E. Church**

Prelude.....Soft Music

Processional.....Good Hope A.M.E. Choir  
"I Am Free"

Hymn of Praise.....Good Hope A.M.E. Choir  
"When Peace Like a River" Hymn #448

Prayer of Comfort.....Brother Nathaniel Stevenson

### Scripture Readings

Old Testament.....Reverend Jannie Allen  
Psalm 23

Epistle.....Ella Bamberg  
I Thessalonians 4:13-18

Gospel.....Reverend Dorothy Ryant  
John 14:1-6

Selection.....Sister Carrie Bell Rivers,  
Minister Shamar and Good Hope A.M.E. Choir

Acknowledgement.....Sister Gwendolyn LC Snider

~ Remarks/Expressions of Remembrance ( 2 minutes) ~

Brother Rogers Polite.....Class Leader

Dr. Watson Cleckley, Sr.....Chair Pro-tem of the Steward Board

Sister Albertha Boneparte.....A Longtime Friend

Reverend Dr. Georgeann T. Pringle.....Pastors' Reflections  
Good Hope A.M.E, Pastor

~ Family Tribute ~

Pastor Tyrone McClellan.....Grandson

Laurine (Sarah) Hilliard.....Daughter

Solo.....Deacon George Chambers  
Household of Faith, Marion, S.C.

Eulogy.....Reverend Robert C. Freeman  
Retired A.M.E Pastor  
Birmingham, Alabama

Celebration Selection

Committal

Blessing of the Food and Benediction

Recessional



## Reflection of Life

**Mother Dora Dean Darby Davis**

**Mrs. Dora Dean Darby Davis** was born on March 12, 1934, in Calhoun County. She was the eighth of nine children born to the late Mr. Thomas Darby, Sr. and Mrs. Maggie Dash Darby. She transitioned on June 11, 2025, at her residence. She was preceded in death by her husband, Mr. Booker T. Davis, Sr., and her beloved sons, Tony and Kenneth Davis. She was also preceded in death by a great-great granddaughter, Kali Davis.

**Dora** was the last survivor of the Darby's siblings, whereas: Thomas Jr., Samuel, Louise, Eula, James, George (Joe), Willie and Wilhelmina preceded her in death.

**Mother Dora** believed in honest hard work and labored long hours as she provided for her family. She worked as a domestic worker, a CNA, sexton for her church, and retired from Orangeburg County Department of Mental Health as the Building Caretaker.

**Mother Dora's** love of God was evident in her love for others as she extended compassion, generosity, and kindness to all. She used her gifts of singing and cooking while providing care and wisdom as she uplifted her family and friends. Her home in the community was a gathering place for family and friends where one was always fed and joyfully welcomed with a smile, conversation and often a song.

**Mother Dora** was devoted to God and was a servant within the church. She served with gratitude and joy as the Mother of her beloved Church, Good Hope A.M.E. She was past president of the Senior Choir, Stewardess emeritus and past chaplain of the Women's Missionary Society (WMS). She was bestowed the distinct honor of being a Seventh Episcopal District WMS Torch lighter. Mother Dora possessed a servant's heart, willing to serve others by using her gifts and God given abilities to bless those around her.

## Reflection of Life

"Continued"

**Mother Dora Davis** leaves to cherish fond memories her devoted, loving and caring family: two sons, Minister Booker T. Jr., (Lula) and their children Shawn (Terri) and Dewayne (Tashika); Dannie Sr., (Neressie) and their children Dannie Jr., (Cassandra), Kevin (Stephanie) and Dominic; three daughters, Flossi (Thomas) McClellan and their children Sandra (Minister Rickey) Willis, Pastor Tyrone (Christine) McClellan and Jerome (Amber) McClellan; Rev. Roberta Jackson and her son George Jermaine Jackson; and Laurine "Sara" (Eddie) Hilliard and their children LaRon and Joseph Hilliard. She also leaves the children of her late son, Tony; Kendra Davis, Jana'e (Christopher) Wilson and Terrell Shelvin, as well as a special niece of love, Diane Darby Vasser.

**Mother Dora** was blessed with seventeen great-grandchildren and two great-great grandsons; two sisters-in-law, Susan Curry and Vinnie Ryant; two brothers-in-law, Kenneth Ryant and Gabriel Tyler; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

"Rest in peace with eternal love to our sweet mama, grandmother, auntie, cousin, and friend."

## Acknowledgements

We are forever grateful for the joy you brought into our mother's life. Your love has been the greatest gift of all and she was able to receive "her flowers" while she lived.  
Thank you, God's blessings to all of you.

## The Family

