

Acknowledgement

The family of the late Mrs. Bernice Stinson Holland acknowledges with grateful appreciation all acts of kindness, prayers, cards, telephone calls, flowers and words of comfort extended to us during our time of bereavement. May God bless you all.

Interment

Zion at the Hill A.M.E. Zion Church Cemetery

Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Floral Attendants

Family and Friends

In Memoriam

May we take this opportunity to express sincere and deep appreciation for allowing us to serve you during this most difficult period. It is our constant aim to afford to the people of this community a service completed in all details and faultlessly executed with sympathy and understanding.

Final Arrangements Entrusted to:



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*Celebration
of Life
for*

Bernice Stinson
HOLLAND
"Bernie"

Friday, April 21, 2023
11:00 a.m.

Zion at the Hill African Methodist Episcopal Church

3845 Lee Road 29
Opelika, Alabama 36804

Reverend Thomas Betts, Pastor
Reverend Chester Levett, Officiating

Obituary

Mrs. Bernice Stinson Holland, daughter of the late Mr. John T. and Mrs. Ruthie Mae Arthur Stinson, was born February 28, 1942 in Lee County, Alabama.

At an early age, she confessed Christ and united with Zion at the Hill A.M.E. Zion Church in Opelika, Alabama.

"Bonnie" as she was affectionately known by family and friends, enjoyed watching Perry Mason and her favorite soap operas, The Young and the Restless and The Bold and the Beautiful. She loved her children, especially her grandchildren.

On Thursday, April 13, 2023, she departed this life at her home in Auburn, Alabama. She was preceded in death by: her husband, James Aldron Holland; daughter, Hattie Marie Holland; son, Alvin Oneal Holland; four brothers, John T. Stinson, Jr., Roy Lee Stinson, Jimmy Andrew Stinson and Ralph Stinson; two sisters, Stella Core and Johnnie Ruth Jones; three grandchildren, Phillip Bernard Tolbert, Trenton Tolbert and Justin Tolbert.

She leaves to cherish her memories: four children, Tony Holland, Bernard Holland, Arnitra Holland all of Auburn, AL and Hosa Holland of Opelika, AL; ten grandchildren, Melissa Tolbert of Tuskegee, AL, Deavon Holland, Confort Holland, Jacob Bernard Holland all of Opelika, AL, Christopher Tolbert, Jerrick Tolbert, Kentavious Holland, Damian Holland, Mia Holland and Jamie Holland all of Auburn, AL; five great grandchildren; three sisters, Alice Jean Cook, Gail (Iassa) Wilson both of Auburn, AL and Annie Lois Shealey of Loachapoka, AL; four sisters-in-law, Hazel (Lincoln) Jefferson of Detroit, MI, Gwen Holland of Birmingham, AL, Mildred Dallas of Auburn, AL and Michell Holland of Dayton, OH; four brothers-in-law, David Holland of Auburn, AL, Brando Holland of Dayton, OH, Terry Holland of Oakland, CA and Tony (Sharon) Holland of Auburn, AL; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL AND FINAL FAREWELL
Clergy, Family and Friends

SCRIPTURE READINGS:
Old Testament and New Testament

PRAYER OF COMFORT

REFLECTIONS AS A FRIEND
Mary Lois Gilmore

MUSICAL SELECTION
Felicia Martin

EULOGY
Reverend Chester Levett

RECESSIONAL

When I Must Leave You

When I must leave you for a little while,
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears
And hug your sorrow to you through the years,
But start out bravely with a gallant smile;
And for my sake and in my name
Live on and do all things the same.
Feed not your loneliness on empty days,
But fill each waking hour in useful ways,
Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer
And I in turn will comfort you and hold you near;
And never, never be afraid to die,
For I am waiting for you in the sky!

Helen Steiner Rice