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Family and Friends

- Flower Bearers -

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- Interment -

Evergreen Cemetery
1409 Monroe Avenue
Opelika, Alabama 36801

- Acknowledgment -

The family of Mrs. Clara Pearl Reese Copeland 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 each of you.

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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A CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR

Clara Pearl REESE COPELAND

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2026 | 1:00 P.M.

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515 South 6th Street | Opelika, AL 36801

REVEREND TROY CLARK, OFFICIATING

- Obituary -

Mrs. Clara Pearl Reese Copeland, daughter of the late Mr. Willie and Mrs. Geneva Boyd Gopher, was born October 18, 1954, in Lee County, Alabama.

She deeply loved her family, especially her children and grandchildren, who were the pride and joy of her life. She attended Darden High School and was employed with Briggs & Stratton as a dedicated worker for twenty years before retiring.

On Wednesday, October 28, 2026, she departed this life at her home in Opelika, Alabama. She was preceded in death by: one daughter, Kimberly Gopher; one brother, Robert Gopher; one sister, Letha Gopher; one aunt, Mary Florence Hardnett; one uncle, Smith Boyd, Jr.

She leaves to cherish her memory: husband, Roger Copeland of Opelika, AL; two children, Darryl (Alice) Gopher of Salem, AL and Reginald Collier of Arlington, TX; three step-children, Daphane McQueen, Michelle Bolden and Shante Smith all of Valley, AL; nine grandchildren Darryl V. Gopher, QuaDaryl Q. Atkinson, Kimberly S. Atkinson, Ladarrius M. (Angel Irvin) Gopher, Darian D. Gopher, Reginald L. Collier, Jr., Kanesha TA. Collier, Shemar L. Collier and Mekhi J. Collier; one sister, Debra Reese of Birmingham, AL; three brothers, Willie James Goffer, Ricky Goffer both of Birmingham, AL and Bradley Gopher of Opelika, AL; one aunt, Bernice Ross of Birmingham, AL; a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.















- Order of Service -

Processional ..... **Clergy and Family**

Scripture Readings ..... **Reverend Troy Clark**

Prayer of Comfort ..... **Reverend Troy Clark**

Musical Selection ..... **Carol Clark**

Obituary ..... **Read Silently**

Musical Selection ..... **Ramon Harris**

Eulogy ..... **Reverend Troy Clark**

Recessional

A Beautiful Branch Has Fallen
In Loving Memory of Clara

Ladarrius Gopher

A beautiful branch has fallen from our family tree.
But the love you planted will live through eternity.
Your hands may be resting, your voice may be still,
But the love you gave us will remain with us still.
Remember the laughter, the stories we shared,
The countless little moments that showed how much you cared.
You gave us traditions, memories, and love,
And now you watch over us from somewhere above.
Don't let your hearts be heavy, don't let your smiles fade.
For a lifetime of love can never be erased.
Though we wish we had more time, we'll cherish what we knew.
A part of every one of us will always carry you.
Your roots run deep; your legacy will grow.
Through children and grandchildren, nieces and nephews,
Your love will forever show.
So, when you see a cardinal, or feel a gentle breeze,
Remember love has no ending,
Even when we're separated by the trees.
Rest peacefully, Grandma, your work on earth is through.
Until we meet again, we'll keep a piece of you.
Your branch may have fallen,
But your roots will live forever.