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A Celebration of Life



"MAE BABY"

Mrs. Vera Mae
CUTTS-RIVERS

MAY 10, 1939 – DEC. 01, 2023

FUNERAL SERVICE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 09, 2023
11:00 A.M.
LEBANON BAPTIST CHURCH
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REV. DR. CHRISTOPHER O'BRYANT, PASTOR
PASTOR GREGORY CUTTS, EULOGIST

Reflections of Life

Life began for Vera Mae Cutts on May 10, 1939, in Lee County, Georgia. She was the seventh of 14 children born to the late Mr. Charlie Cutts, Sr. and Mrs. Palace Cutts. She acquired her education in the public schools of Lee County. When she was yet a child, she joined the Mount Able Baptist Church in Desoto, Georgia. She united in Holy matrimony to Mr. Eddie Rivers, Sr. on September 20, 1958, and to this union, seven children were born.

As an early profession, she chose to stay home and raise her children. Later, she was employed by Lee County Manufacturing Company in Leesburg, Georgia, where she worked for many years, until her retirement.

Mrs. Rivers had a passion for doing hair, cooking, quilting, ironing, and nurturing her plethora of flowers. She had a genuine love for people and that was demonstrated as she invited many people into her home and shared her “GREAT” cooked meals. That love was certainly reciprocated by everyone whom she met.

On Friday night, December 1, 2023, Mrs. Vera Mae Cutts Rivers departed her earthly life at her home surrounded by her loving and caring family.

Along with her parents and her husband, she is preceded in death by five children, Eddie Mae Rivers, Mrs. Edna Rivers Walker (Drze), Shirley Rivers, Eddie Rivers, Jr., and Mr. Alonzo Rivers; two grandchildren; siblings, Mr. Charlie Cutts, Jr., Mr. Willie Green Cutts, Sr. (Martha), Mr. Johnny Cutts, Ms. Katie Scott, Mrs. Clara Sneed (Ulysee), Mrs. Isabella Wright (Walker), Mrs. Ruby Mack (Solomon), brothers- and sisters-in-law, Mr. Doc French, Sr., Mr. Willie Godbee, Matthew Rivers, Mr. Sammie (Alice) Rivers, Sr, Mr. Willie Bady, Jr., Mr. Paul Bady, Mr. Charles Bady, Mr. David Bady, Mrs. Rosie Cutts, Ms. Mae Francis Rivers, Mrs. Emma Rivers Covin (Andrew), and Mr. Clyde A. McGrady, Sr.

Mrs. Rivers leaves a legacy of precious memories to her son, Mr. Don (Marva) Rivers, her daughter, Ms. Vivian Rivers, Smithville, GA; three grands whom she raised as her own- Mr. Lorenzo Rivers, Columbus, GA, Mr. Roquez Baker, Smithville, GA, and Ms. Kaebren Price, Atlanta, GA; ten grandchildren, twenty-nine great grandchildren, four great-great grandchildren; a long-time companion, Mr. Robert Baker, Jr.; siblings, Mrs. Mary Cutts French, Smithville, GA, Mrs. Rosie Bell Cutts Godbee, Miami, FL, Ms. Elizabeth Cutts, Albany, GA, Mrs. Evelyn Cutts (Rev. Jerry) Iverson, Montgomery, AL, Mr. Douglas Cutts, Mr. Clifford Cutts, and Mr. Calvin Cutts, all of Smithville, GA; sisters-in-law, Mrs. Addie B. Cutts, Desoto, GA, Mrs. Gloria Cutts, Albany, GA, and Dr. Delphine Bady McGrady, Smithville, GA; her caregivers, Mrs. Marva Rivers, Ms. Elizabeth Cutts, Mrs. Gussie Whitaker, Mrs. Bettye Cutts Yancey, Mr. Chris Carter, Mr. Cavlin Brown, Ms. Aldean French, Mrs. Clara French Thomas, Ms. Akeia Henry, Ms. Lillian Adams, and Dr. Delphine McGrady; special friends, Mrs. Otha Lee Shelton, Mr. Willie French, Mrs. Robin Waters. Mrs. Jackie Law, Mr. Eddie Taylor, Mr. Wilbert and Mrs. Linda Merrell, and Mr. Willie Keen; a PLETHORA of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends will forever cherish the memories of Mrs. Vera Mae Cutts Rivers.



He Maketh No Mistake

*My Father's way may twist and turn,
My heart may throb and ache,
But in my soul I'm glad I know,
He maketh no mistake.*

*My cherished plans may go astray,
My hopes may fade away,
But still I'll trust my Lord to lead
For He doth know the way.*

*Though night be dark and it may seem
That day will never break;
I'll pin my faith, my all in Him,
He maketh no mistake.*

*There's so much now I cannot see,
My eyesight's far too dim;
But come what may, I'll simply trust
And leave it all to Him.*

*For by and by the mist will lift
And plain it all He'll make,
Through all the way, though dark to me,
He made not one mistake.*

~ Order of Celebration ~

Musical PreludeMrs. Dorothy McCray & Johnson & Son

Processional..... Led by Reverend Gregory Cutts

Final Glance/Final Sealing

Hymn..... Deacon Rufus Sherman

Prayer..... Deacon Willie Owens

Musical Selection..... Mrs. Dorothy McCray

Scripture Readings

Old Testament..... Reverend Jerry Iverson, Brother-in-Law

New Testament..... Minister Belinda Cutts-Tyson, Niece

Poem..... Minister Belinda Cutts Tyson

Musical Selection..... Johnson & Son Funeral Service

Eulogy..... Reverend Gregory Cutts, Nephew

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Musical Postlude

Interment:

**Green Grove Baptist Church Cemetery
Smithville, GA**



Acknowledgements

As a family, we are most grateful for the multitude of friends like you who have been so loving and thoughtful during our time of bereavement. Your prayers, visits, calls, flowers, and any other acts of kindness is gratefully appreciated as it has given us the strength and inspiration to endure during this difficult time in our lives. It is our prayer that God will continue to shower his many blessings upon each of you.

~The Family~