



FLOWER ATTENDANTS

Family and Friends

REPAST

Mikata Buffet

8720 Baymeadows Road
Jacksonville, Florida 32256

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We would like to thank you with sincere gratitude for your many expressions of love and kindness shown to us during our period of bereavement. May God bless each of you.

DEAR GOD,

Thank you for my mom. Thank you for the woman who has loved me since the moment she met me. I'm grateful for the impact on my life, for her presence and love. Thank you for every moment she nurtured me, every phone call, hug, compliment and even complaint. Thank you that she cared, despite us not always seeing eye-to-eye, our love endured. I pray that you help me to better honor her every day. Amen.

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CELEBRATING
THE LIFE
OF

Ethel MAE STRONG

ALPHA

November 22, 1952

OMEGA

November 23, 2025

Saturday, December 6, 2025 | 1:30PM

Q. L. Douglas Funeral Home

MIXON TOWN CHAPEL

2403 Edison Avenue | Jacksonville, Florida 32204

Melody Parker, Officiating

“Shug”

LIFE STORY

Ethel Strong, a beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister and friend, was born in Jacksonville, Florida, on November 22, 1952, to Ethel and Eddie Holiday. She received her education in Jacksonville, Florida.

In 1972, she married Sonnie Strong, Sr. sharing many years of love and partnership while serving her family as a housewife for many years before entering the workforce. She went on to receive her certification as a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) dedicating her life to caring for others. Ethel also worked for First Student and Durham Bus Company, as a school bus attendant for children with disabilities, bringing her compassion and kindness to every child she served.

Ethel was raised in Abyssinia Missionary Baptist Church, where her faith and joy for life flourished. She had a vibrant spirit and found happiness in simple pleasures: watching her favorite shows, especially Lord of the Rings, spending quality time with her family, reading, and exploring the local farmer's market.

On November 23, 2025, one day after her seventy-third birthday, Ethel was called home to her eternal resting place.

She was preceded in death by her husband: Sonnie Strong, Sr.; parents: Eddie and Ethel Holiday; siblings: Thomas Lee Holiday, Eartha Lee Holiday, Josephine Holiday-Jones, and Birdie Mallory; grandson: Justin Kamron Moultrie.

Ethel leaves to cherish her memory, her four devoted children: India Lee (Andrew), Sonnie Strong, II (Raquel), Wendolyn Smith (Michael), and Allen Scott; eight grandchildren; one great-grandchild; siblings: Addie Kendrick (Harold), Gloria Forrest (Randy), Eddie Holiday (Clara), and Lubirda McKinnon (Kelvin) and a host of loving extended family of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Ethel's warmth, generosity, and zest for life touched everyone who knew her. She will be deeply missed and forever remembered.



ORDER OF SERVICE

Minister Wanda Brown, Presiding

Processional/Viewing

Solo

Shawn Strong-Habyarimana

Scriptures:

Old Testament: Ecclesiastes 3:1-9

New Testament: 1 Corinthians 15:51-58

John Booth, Jr.
Troy Williams

Prayer

Minister Marva Biggins

Obituary Reading

Soft Music

Reflections

As a Son

Sonnie Strong

As a Son-in-law

Michael Williams

As a Nephew

Irvin Covington

As a Niece

Charity Anthony

Video Tribute

Wendy Smith

Acknowledgements

Christopher Lambert

Hymn

Melody Parker

Words of Comfort

Recessional

