

In His Presence



“Her children arise up, and call her blessed.”



A Beautiful Life Remembered

“Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations.”
Psalm 90:1

Mrs. Virginia Christine Barnett Herndon, 99 of Lincolnton, North Carolina completed her earthly journey on Thursday morning, March 30, 2023, at 10:05 A.M. at the home of her son. She was born on July 9, 1923, in York County, South Carolina to the late Brady Barnett and Cleo Lowry Barnett.

“Mu” as she was affectionately called was married to the late Robert Lee Herndon. She was the oldest of four children, with all of her siblings, Myrtle, Leon and James preceding her in death. Oh, what a reunion in heaven. The big sister has come home.

Virginia grew up in Cherryville, North Carolina and graduated from John Chavis High School. Along with being the most wonderful mother in the world, she was a quiet, loving, supportive, kind and understanding person. She was blessed to live a long wonderful life and was cherished by all who knew her.

Virginia loved her church, Herndon Chapel A.M.E. Zion and was known as the “Mother of the Church”. She was a loyal and dedicated member that served faithfully for more than fifty years. She began her work within the church with dignity and honor. She served in the capacities of Deaconess, Class Leader/Leader of Leaders, Supply Secretary, Sunday School Teacher, Sunday School Superintendent until her pace slowed. Virginia was a life member of Woman’s Home and Overseas Missionary Society of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church. She also served as the church custodian, but did not consider it to be a duty, rather a labor of love and devotion to her church. When Virginia was able, she enjoyed working in her flowers, cooking, and sitting on her porch. In 1990 she retired from Dixie Yarns. She enjoyed reading her favorite scriptures, Proverbs 3:5 and Psalm 100:5.

“Mu” loved her children, grandchildren, great grandchild and beyond all measure, as well as her nieces and nephews.

“Mu” leaves to cherish her memory; one son, James R. Herndon (Jackie) of Iron station, NC; two daughters, Sarah Herndon of the home; Faye A. Todd of Charlotte, NC; three grandchildren, Erik Todd (Manuel), Gerik Todd (Phykesha), special relatives, Debra Johnson (niece), Johnny Dorsey (nephew), Kevin Herndon (cousin) and Jamel Farley (adoptive grandson), a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. Truly Virginia was a virtuous woman of God, who served the Lord with gladness.



FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS

Order of Service

Reverend Tabatha Stanback, Officiating

Prelude
ProcessionalMinister and Family
Receiving of Family & Friends.....12:00 PM til 1:00 PM
Call to Worship.....Rev. Tabatha Stanback
Solo.....Minister Jamel Farley

Old Testament Scripture Proverb 3:1-6
Rev. Tabatha Stanback

New Testament Scripture 1 Corinthians 13:1-10
Rev. Franklin Herndon
Emmanuel Independent Baptist Church

Prayer Of Comfort Rev. Michael Hill
Providence Missionary Baptist Church

Solo.....Rev. Donna Tolliver
"I Won't Complain"

Obituary Reading

Remarks Jamel Farley, Church Member
Kevin Herndon, Cousin
Debra Johnson, Niece
James Herndon, Son
Erik and Gerik Todd, Grandsons

Acknowledgements Ms. Chasity Bailey

Selection..... "I Am A Living Testimony" Choir

Eulogy Rev. Walter Pegues, Pastor
Addie Chapel United Methodist Church
Marion, North Carolina

Committal/Interment
Herndon Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church Cemetery
Lincolnton, North Carolina

For Those I Love, For Those Who Love Me

When I am gone, release me let me go . . .
I have so many things to see and do
You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears,
Be happy that we had so many years,
I gave you my love, you can only guess
How much you gave me in happiness,
I thank you for the love each of you have shown
But now it's time I travel alone.

So bless the memories that lie within your heart.
I won't be far away, for life goes on.
So if you need me, call and I will come,
Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near
And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear
All of my love around you soft and clear.
And then when you must come this way alone,
I'll greet you with a smile say and Welcome Home.

Flower Bearers Family and Friends

Pall Bearers
Erik Todd Javas Giles
Gerik Todd Jamel Farley
Manuel Lewis Marcus Farley

In Appreciation

We are grateful to our relatives, friends, and neighbors for all expressions of kindness and love shown to us during the loss of our dear Virginia. Your cards of comfort, hugs, phone calls, visits, tears, food and everything you have done helped to lighten our heavy hearts during our time of bereavement.

A special thank you to the staff of Hospice and Palliative Care of Lincoln County. A special thank you for your prayers and please continue to keep us in your prayers as we continue to keep you in ours. May God bless each of you. A very special thank you to Dr. K. Gunadasa of Atrium Health.

The Herndon Family

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Celebration of Life For A Life Well Lived

Mrs. Virginia Christine Barnett Herndon

From Labor: July 9, 1923 - To Reward: March 30, 2023



*"I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished
the work which thou gavest me to do."*

John 17:4 KJV

Saturday, April 8, 2023

1:00 PM

Herndon Chapel A.M. E. Zion Church
Lincolnton, North Carolina

Reverend Tabatha Stanback, Pastor
Reverend Walter Pegues, Eulogist