

Homegoing Celebration

For The Life Of

Dorothy Lee Graves

Entered Life: November 17th, 1947 - Entered Eternity: April 24th, 2023

Saturday, May 6th, 2023

At 11:00 AM

Rev. Dr. Booker T Rose Jr - Pastor & Eulogist Commissioner Min. Kentaiwon Carter - Durham - Presiding

Youngs Chapel Missionary Baptist Church

710 Shirley Ave., Douglas, GA 31533

Active Pallbearers

David Williams

Jimmy Lee Hancock

Javiontae Martin

Andy Williams

Kelsey Graves

Jimmy Louis Hancock

Flower Attendants

PCC Employees

YCMBC Members

Friends

Interment

Douglas City Cemetery
1623 North Gaskin Avenue
Douglas, Georgia 31533

Repast

Young's Chapel Missionary Baptist Church Social Hall
710 Shirley Avenue
Douglas, Georgia 31533

Acknowledgements

The family of the late Sister Dorothy Graves expresses our heartfelt gratitude for your prayers, phone calls, words of encouragement, visits, food, love and support shown during the loss of our loved one. It is difficult to describe just how much your gestures of support in our time of need means to us. To have a reminder from the people that care for us that we are not alone in our grief is immeasurable. It is only with the help of the wonderful people in our lives that we will be able to face the days ahead. May God return to you all in full measure.

The Family

Our Mother's Love

In tears we saw you sinking
And watched you fade away

Our hearts were broken

We wanted you to stay

But when we saw you sleeping

So peaceful and free of pain

How could we wish you back with us

To suffer it again

Our hearts are completely broken

But you did not go alone

For part of us went with you

The day God took you home

We love you for your wisdom

We love you for your gentle ways

We love you for your understanding

And your kind and thoughtful praise

We love you for you warm memories

We love you for the joy your brought

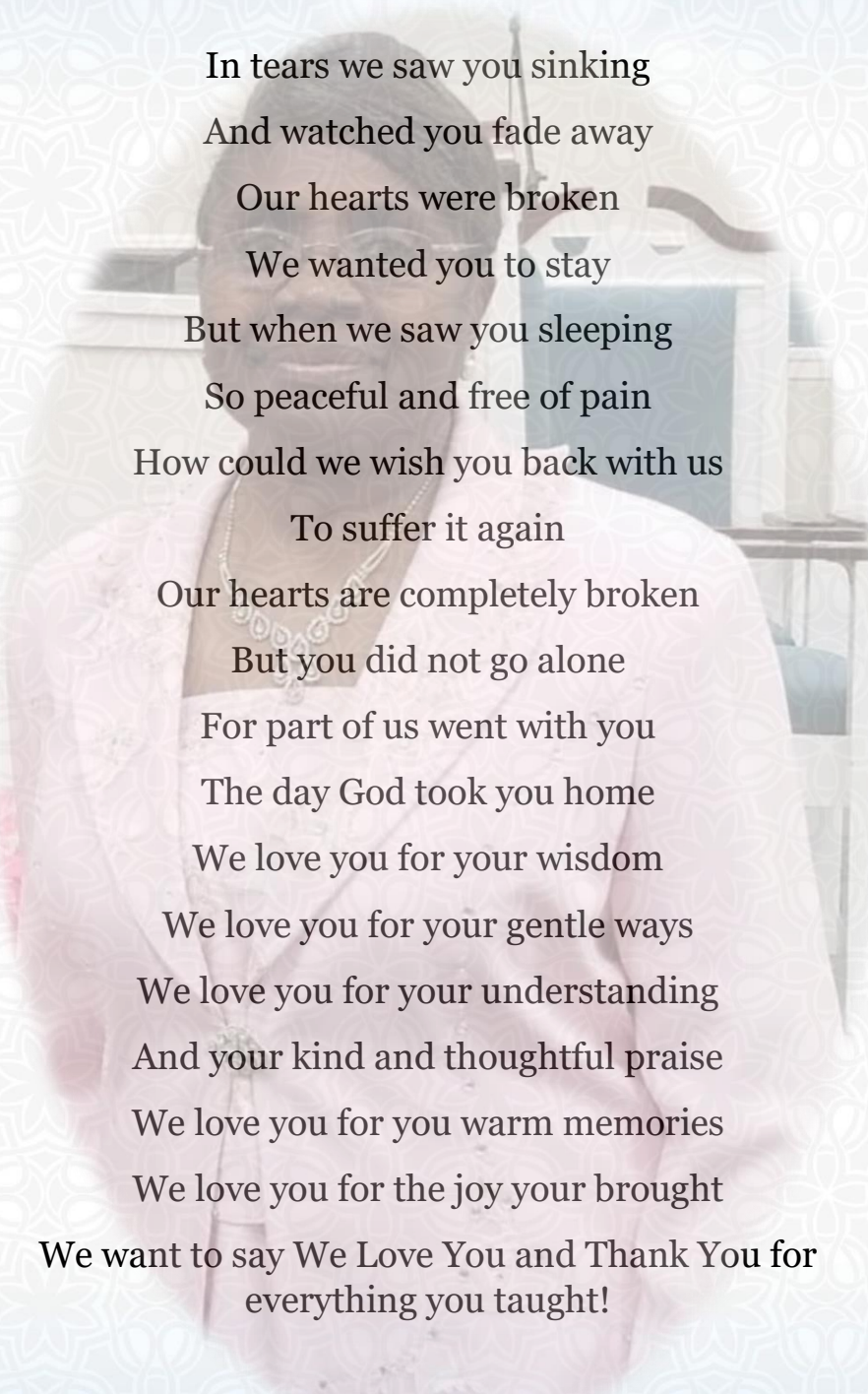
We want to say We Love You and Thank You for
everything you taught!

With Our Undying Love-Your Children,

Ruby, James Jr., Brenda, Sharon & Sharee

Funeral Arrangements Entrusted To:

HARRELL'S FUNERAL HOME
400 E. CHERRY STREET ~ DOUGLAS, GEORGIA 31533
LICENSED DIRECTOR/EMBALMER, SIDNEY K. HARRELL
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Life Reflections

"Let Not Your Heart Be Troubled"

The Lord has promised us peace. He is our strength and comforter, so cast all your cares on him. He is our present help in the times of trouble, trials, suffering and sorrow.

A Time To Be Born:

Sister Dorothy Graves was born on November 17, 1947, in Douglas, GA. She was born to the union of Ruby Lee Balcom and Dan Williams. She was the youngest daughter of seven children.

A Time To Live:

Sister Dorothy attended Carver High School. She was a dedicated employee of TRW for 21 years. She then transitioned her employment to PCC Airfoils, where she was a faithful employee for 35+ years where she later retired.

A Time To Love:

Sister Dorothy met James Graves Sr. She married him on September 17, 1966. To this union, five children were born.

A Time To Serve:

Sister Graves was a faithful stewardess of Young's Chapel Missionary Baptist Church at an early age, where she continued to serve until her health began to fail. She was a member of the: Senior Choir, Kitchen Committee, and Mission In Action, as well as a previous member of the Pastor's Aide. Sister Graves loved her church, her family, sewing and music.

A Time Of Sorrow:

Sister Graves was preceded in death by her parents, Ruby Lee Balcom and Dan Williams; four brothers, Vancy Williams, Charlie Williams, James Williams, and Richard Williams; one sister, Rosetta Handcox.

A Time To Mourn:

Sister Graves leaves to cherish her memories: her husband, James Graves Sr.; five children: Ruby (Addis) Bell of Douglas, GA, James (Aurelia) Graves JR. of Covington, GA, Brenda (Gregory) Batts of Lumberton, NC, Sharon (Harvey Jr.) Martin of Douglas, GA, Sharee (Crystal) Graves of Charlotte, NC.; fourteen grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; one brother, Fred (Alma) Williams of Columbia, SC.; one brother-in-law, J.L. Handcox; and a host of nieces, nephews, special friends and other relatives.

Precious Memories



Grandmothers Love

If flowers grow in Heaven Lord, then pick a bunch for us
 Then place them in our grandmother's arms and tell her they're from us.
 Tell her that We love her and miss her and when she turns to smile,
 place a kiss on her cheek and hold her for a while.
 Because remembering her is easy, we do it everyday, but there's an ache
 within our hearts that will never go away.
 We had a wonderful grandmother
 One who never really grew old
 Her smile was made of sunshine
 And her heart was solid gold
 Her eyes were bright as shining stars
 And her chubby cheeks we loved to see
 We had a wonderful grandmother,
 And that's the way it will always be.

Order of Celebration

Commissioner Min. Kentaiwon Carter-Durham, Officiating

Processional.....Ministers, Family & Friends

Earth's Parting Glance

Crown Placement

Invocation.....Minister Hutchinson

Song of Praise.....Minister Darlene Jackson

Word of Life

Old Testament.....Clergy

New Testament.....Clergy

Song of Praise.....YCMBC Choir

Reflections of Life.....Please Limit 3 Minutes Please

As a Church Member.....Deacon Oscar Street

As a Friend.....Sister Alice McFatten

As a Grandson.....Kelsey Graves

Anyone Desiring to Speak

Song of Praise.....YCMBC Choir

Our Mother's Love.....Arlara Gaskin

Grandmother's Love.....Sister Mary Ann Huff

Song of Praise.....YCMBC Choir

Words of Comfort.....Rev. Dr. Booker T. Rose Jr.

Acknowledgements.....Harrell's Staff

Committal Service

Closing Prayer

Recessional