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Khary Nelson
Hobert G. Henry Jr.
Jerel Harris
Samuel Tisdale

Ronnell Isom
Roger Hayes
Joshua Tisdale
Rameal Henry

Honorary Pallbearers

Paul Thomas
Fred Price

Butch Barnes
Tai Six

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Acknowledgment

We, the family, extend our sincere appreciation to the staff of the Toledo Hospice of Northwest Ohio and Social Worker Dee Mabrey for the attention and gentle care extended to our loved one during her stay with them.

Color Programs by The House of Day Funeral Service

A Service of Memory

Celebrating the Life of



Mrs. Virgie Lee Gordon Henry

Sunrise March 2, 1931 - Sunset August 14, 2019

SERVICE

Saturday, August 24, 2019
10:00 a.m. Family Hour
11:00 a.m. Funeral

Friendship Baptist Church
5301 Nebraska Ave. - Toledo, OH

Bishop Duane Tisdale
Officiant

The Obituary

Mrs. Virgie Lee Gordon Henry
Sunrise March 2, 1931 - Sunset August 14, 2019

The mother of four generations, Mrs. Virgie Lee Gordon Henry was born on March 2, 1931 in Sandy Hook, Tennessee to the late Mr. Eugene Gordon and Mrs. Lorene Knight Gordon; she was the third of fourteen children.

Virgie moved to Nashville, Tennessee in her younger years to live with extended family. While there, she met Hobert N. Henry and the two were united in marriage on March 5, 1949. To this union, they were blessed with five (5) children; Sherlie, Lawrence, Thelma, Deborah and Gordon. The family moved to Toledo, Ohio in 1953, due to a job opportunity that would create a better life for their children. In 1958, Virgie joined Friendship Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor G. J. Johnson, where she served in the Music Ministry and within the Mother's Ministry.

Lee (as she was known) enjoyed crocheting, cooking, pottery and visiting with family and friends. Her favorite pastime was cooking and preparing a meal for anyone who came to her home. She was a phenomenal cook that could make anything without a cookbook or recipe and wouldn't want any guest to leave hungry or without a plate. Full of life and exuberant with love, Lee was resourceful and found much joy in serving others. Lee retired from Darlington House as a nurse's aide, with more than thirty (30) years of service. Lee was a devoted wife, loving mother and servant leader who truly loved her family. She always had a warm and engaging spirit that touched the lives of many.

On Wednesday, August 14, 2019, after a lengthy illness, Mother Henry went home to be with the Lord. She was preceded in death by both parents, Eugene and Lorene Gordon; her husband of 61 years, Hobert Henry; daughters Sherlie Wood, and Diane Henry; son Lawrence Henry; brothers: Eugene Gordon Jr, Fred Gordon, John Edward Gordon; Sisters: Dovie Orr, Willa-Dean Napier and Burma Collins; Grandchildren, Sherry Lynn, Nathaniel Henry, Adrian Henry.

She leaves to cherish her memory, children; Thelma (Duane) Tisdale, Deborah (Gerald) Barnes, Gordon (Andrea) Henry; brothers, Henry Lee Gordon, Herbert Gordon, James P. Gordon, Walter T. Gordon; sisters, Yvonne Crouch, Stella Williams and Lynn Marie Gilbreath. 18 grandchildren, 22 great grandchildren, 1 great-great grandchild and a host of other family and friends.

The Order of Service

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| Processional..... | |
| Musical Selection..... | Friendship Baptist Choir |
| Old Testament Scripture..... | Elder Karrie Jackson |
| New Testament Scripture..... | Pastor Melvin Barnes |
| Prayer..... | Pastor Patricia Sullivan |
| Remarks (3 people) for 1 minute..... | Butch Barnes Gordon Henry Grandchildren |
| Acknowledgment of Condolences and Obituary..... | Velma Pryor |
| Musical Selection..... | Friendship Baptist Choir |
| Eulogy..... | Bishop Duane Tisdale |
| Recessional..... | |
| Organ Postlude..... | |

Afterglow

*I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one.
I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.
I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun;
Of happy memories that I leave when life is done.*