Pallbearers

Honorary Pallbearers

Khary Nelson

Hobert G. Henry Jr.

Jerel Harris

Samuel Tisdale

Ronnell Isom Roger Hayes Joshua Tisdale Rameal Henry

Paul Thomas
Fred Price

Butch Barnes Tai Six



Interment

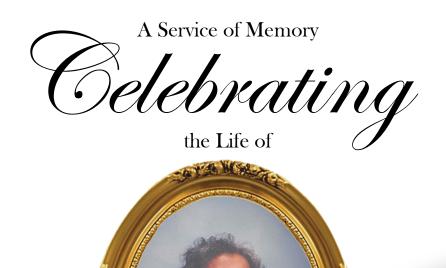
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<u> Acknowledgment</u>

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.





Sunrise March 2, 1931 - Sunset August 14, 2019

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, Nathanial 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

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	



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.