

## Homegoing Jubilee Celebration of Life

# Georgia A. Harrell

**Sunrise:**  
**April 22, 1942**

**Sunset:**  
**August 24, 2018**

Saturday, September 1, 2018 ~ 12:00 noon

New Beginning Baptist Church  
4055 Edmundson Road  
St. Louis, Missouri 63134  
Pastor Carl S. Smith, Sr.

*Reverend Michael G. Dunnington ~ Officiating  
Episcopal Church of All Saints & Ascension*

*Georgia Harrell ~ 1942-2018*

### Order of Service

Processional	
Selection	DeAndre & Pamela Duncan
Opening Anthem	Reverend Michael G. Dunnington
Prayer for Georgia	Reverend Michael G. Dunnington
Selection	Denise Roberts
New Testament Reading	Edgar Harrell
Selection	Kimiko Buress
Gospel Reading	Anne Harrell Blackburn
Selection	Juanita Bransford
Condolences	Lottie Harrell Perry
Georgia's Story	Read Silently
Words of love to my Sister	Richard Harrell
Words of Encouragement	Reverend Michael Dunnington Reverend Marc Smith Pastor Carl S. Smith Pastor Damon Cannon, New Beginning
Eulogy	
Selection	Chrystal & Charity Williams
Parting View	William C. Harris Funeral Directors
The Commendation	Reverend Michael Dunnington
Selection	United Body of Christ Ministries Choir
Recessional	

## Georgia's Story

Georgia Harrell was born on April 22, 1942 in Henning, TN. Often called by her birth name, George Anna, she was the youngest of five children born to George William Harrell and Anna Mae McGregor Harrell. Georgia's Parents, Step-mother Norma, six siblings, one daughter and one grandson preceded her in death.

Georgia was educated in the Obion County Public School System in Obion, Tennessee. She accepted Christ at an early age and was baptized at Mount Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church in Ripley, TN.

Georgia soon left her small town roots and settled in the big city of St Louis, Missouri. She immediately joined the Church of Ascension and began serving in various ministries. Two of her favorites were volunteering with the food and clothing pantry. Throughout her life, she had many talents which allowed her work as a social service worker, receptionist, care taker, educator and homemaker. But her most passionate and rewarding job was serving as the Youth Director for the "Yes I Can" after school program at the Church of Ascension. She loved her scholars and made every effort to ensure that they became fluent readers.

Georgia simply had the **"Gift of Giving"**. There wasn't **EVER** a time that you could leave her house without her giving you something (whether you wanted it or not). She always packed the car with way too many gifts for relatives when she went on her annual trips to Tennessee.

Georgia was that **relative** and **friend** that everyone loved. If you have ever said I love you to Georgia then you know that her response was always **"I LOVE YOU MORE"**. She had a way of making you feel like **YOU** were her favorite, no matter who **YOU** were. Georgia shared all of her character traits, her home, wisdom, love, advice, bubbly smile, sense of humor, listening ear, patience, excellent cooking, bingo daubers and chips and of course her home-made wine.

Most of all, Georgia was definitely a southerner always using her grace and charm to host or attend a gathering with family, friends and good ole soul food. Her favorite color was purple and she loved butterflies. Georgia was more than your avid family photographer she enjoyed capturing those special moments that we now can sit back and laugh about from this day forward (even though we got sick of taking those pictures). Georgia led a busy life, she had so many other hobbies including collecting elephants, crocheting and quilting sewing, gardening, fishing, cooking, playing bingo and poke-no, and occasionally visiting the casino.

Georgia was very independent and resourceful, if her old car wouldn't start she would take a screwdriver and stick it in the carburetor, and that thing would go. Easter Sunday will never be the same without hundreds of Georgia's famous jello eggs. She spent more than a week preparing these eggs for her Church congregation, family and friends. However, the highlight of every year was planning her Church's annual Gospel Jubilee Celebration in honor of the late Elvira Armour and Georgia's beloved sister-in-law Emma Jean Harrell. Their vision was to bring diverse churches together in praise and worship.

The last few years of Georgia's life were challenging health wise but she never complained. She accepted her condition as God's will. She was super excited to meet her three new great granddaughters, all born within the last four months. God took Georgia into His Everlasting Arms on Friday, August 24, 2018 at 12:35 AM at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, MO. Her daughters (Tracy & Valeska), son-in-law (Todd) and grand-daughter (Jazmin) were by her side as she took her final breath.

Georgia leaves to cherish her memories four children; Delores Buchanan, Athens, GA, Darrell (Patricia) Buchanan, Chicago, IL, Tracy (Walter) Douglas-Adams, St. Louis, MO, Valeska (Todd) Douglas-Hill, O'Fallon, IL.

Eight grand-children: Alizaeon (Leon) Mallory, Dereon (Emily) Hill, Jazmin (Darin) Hill-Pitts, Gordon Moore Jr., Jamaal Moore, Jameel Moore, and Jayda Hill. Seven great-grandchildren: Jalen Moore, Kamdyn Hill, Delvecchio Mallory, Jaliyah Moore, N'Joi Lyfe Moore, Korina Hill, and Daiyah Pitts.

Three brothers: Edgar William (Jesse) Harrell of Martin TN; Richard Ellis (Angela) Harrell of Ripley, TN; Timmy Louis Harrell of Ripley, TN.

Five sisters: Annie Lee (Kenny) Harrell Blackburn of Nashville, TN; Martha Dean (Bennie) Harrell Daily of Nashville, TN; Norma Louise (Louis) Harrell Hudson of Ripley, TN; Brenda (Kate) Harrell of Ripley, TN; Lottie Renee (Michael) Harrell Perry of Houston, TX.

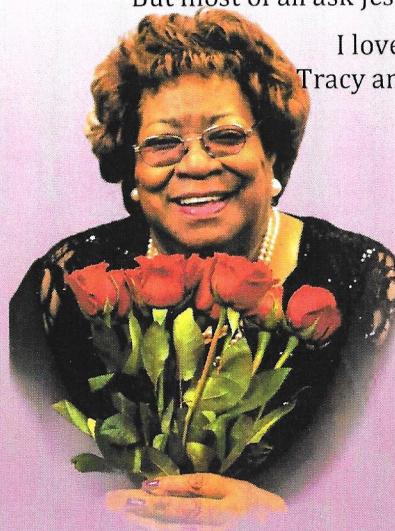
Georgia left a host of favorite nephews and nieces, great nephews and nieces, cousins, God children, play sons and daughters, family and friends. She also leaves to cherish many fond memories Willie Lee Douglas, Sr. a life-time friend and father of Tracy and Valeska and their brother, Willie Lee Douglas Jr. and a special great granddaughter Wynter Lei Douglas.

## The Last Mile Home

No more sorrow no more pain our loss is heaven's gain  
Looking back on your last days, hallucinations left me amazed  
You were reaching nothing was there but as I think,  
It must of been our Father seated in his chair  
Telling you, my child come home, but you looked back  
and didn't want to leave us alone  
Looking back you gazed at me, I asked you mom what do you see  
No words were shared, in a puzzled shock I starred  
You turned to me and said I want to go Home  
Pointing in the sky pondering whether to say goodbye  
I asked again your desired destination  
you gladly repeated with no hesitation  
A day went by, sadly there was not more Hi's  
I dressed in purple holding back my cry  
As I watched you lay waiting to die  
I whispered in your ear just close your eyes  
You sat firmly with your eyes fixed to the skies  
Sometime in life we lose to gain,  
what's such a loss is Heavens gain  
Lasting memories will linger on  
and I will never have to hear your moans and groans  
For at last you got your wings and for this we will gladly sing  
Mom I'm forever grateful for everything  
Now kiss for me your Mom and Dad  
Wink at my uncles, Smile at Dee  
But most of all ask Jesus to have mercy on me

I love you !!

Tracy and Valeska



### Casket Bearers

Christopher Holloway  
Dwight Harrell  
Jason Harrell

Corey Harrell  
Hershel Myers  
Marlon Holloway

### Honorary Casket Bearers

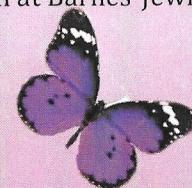
Alfred Lance  
Dereon Hill  
Gordon Moore Jr.  
Jameel Moore  
Keith Harrell  
Todd Hill  
Troy Harrell

Christopher Curry  
Derrick Harrell  
Jamaal Moore  
Justin Harrell  
Terry Harrell  
Tony Harrell  
Walter Adams

### Acknowledgements

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