



- ORDER OF SERVICE -

Apostle Dwight Bynum, Presider

Musical Selection Carrons Gospel Choir Musical Selection Carrons Gospel Choir Reflections
Family & Friends Obituary......Read Silently Musical Selection Carrons Gospel Choir Eulogy......Apostle Dwight Bynum

Funeral Director's Brief

Recessional

- INTERMENT Rest Haven Cemetery
1717 Bishop L.N. Forbes St.
Wilson, NC

- OBITUARY -

daughter of the late Harrie Lee Lewis and Teretha Tucker Lewis, was born November 12, 1947 in Wilson, North Carolina. She departed her earthly life on Sunday, November 13, 2022 as she was called to her eternal rest. Along with her parents, she was preceded in death by her son, Roderick Javon Farmer; her grandson, Dwight Lamar Bynum; sister, Dianne Lewis; and a great niece, Danielle La'Shea Lewis Hayward. Affectionately called Leah by her family and friends, Mary was reared in Wilson, North Carolina and received her education from the Wilson County Public

School System. Thereafter, she established residency in Jamaica Queens, New York for many years before returning to North Carolina. Dedicated and resourceful, Mary was employed by Alliance One, formally known as Export Leaf Tobacco Company. She enjoyed her work and the friendships she developed with so workers.

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A proud, loving, and devoted mother, grandmother, sister to three younger siblings and a friend to many, Mary was a jack- of-all-trades and her skills were impeccable. Mary was an exceptional cook, decorator, seamstress, and builder of many things. Her presence was beyond simplified with her creative colorful fashion choices and a demanding personality to go along with it. She always told you the truth even if it wasn't what you wanted to hear. Her extensive vocabulary was more than highly proficient at knowing more curse words than most people learned in a lifetime. Regardless of her shortcomings, she loved her family and friends, and filled her home with warmth and kindness. All those whom she's left behind will desperately miss "Leah".

Precious memories will forever be cherished by her loving daughter, Valarie Denise Bynum of Bowie, MD; two sisters, Judith Vanessa Lewis Rhice of Sylva, NC, and Clarissa Lewis of Atlanta, GA; four nieces, Tracey Kenon and Dulcey Parker both of Wilson, NC, Brittany Cotton of Bowie, MD, and Ashley Lewis of Raleigh, NC; a nephew, Kelly J. Lewis (Isis) of Greensboro, NC; two great nieces, Tiara Kenon of Wilson, NC and Julianna Lewis Dawson of Raleigh, NC; two great nephews, Jevon Lewis and Jaiden Lewis of Greensboro, NC; and a host of other relatives and friends.