



**Floral Bearers**  
Order of the Eastern Star

**Pall Bearers**  
Masonic Brothers

**- Acknowledgements -**

We, the family of **Mother Inez Barnes Simms Tyson** would like to thank each of you for your love and prayers during our time of bereavement. Inez will forever be remembered for her beautiful smile, endless love for her family, devotion to her church, and countless meals that she cooked for family, friends, and even strangers. Throughout the years, her home was full of so much laughter, love, and grandchildren sliding down the banister of her stairwell. On the day before Inez took her last breath, she was very frail and weak. Although her voice was only a whisper when asked if she was ready for heaven, she nodded her head, "Yes". When asked if Jesus was in her heart and if she trusted Him to bring her home, she nodded her head, "Yes". Her humble spirit and loving soul will be remembered by an immeasurable amount of people. Special thanks are extended to Ms. Evelyn Braswell, Mr. Jasper Barnes, and the staff of Goldsboro Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center. May God bless and keep each of you in his grace and mercy.

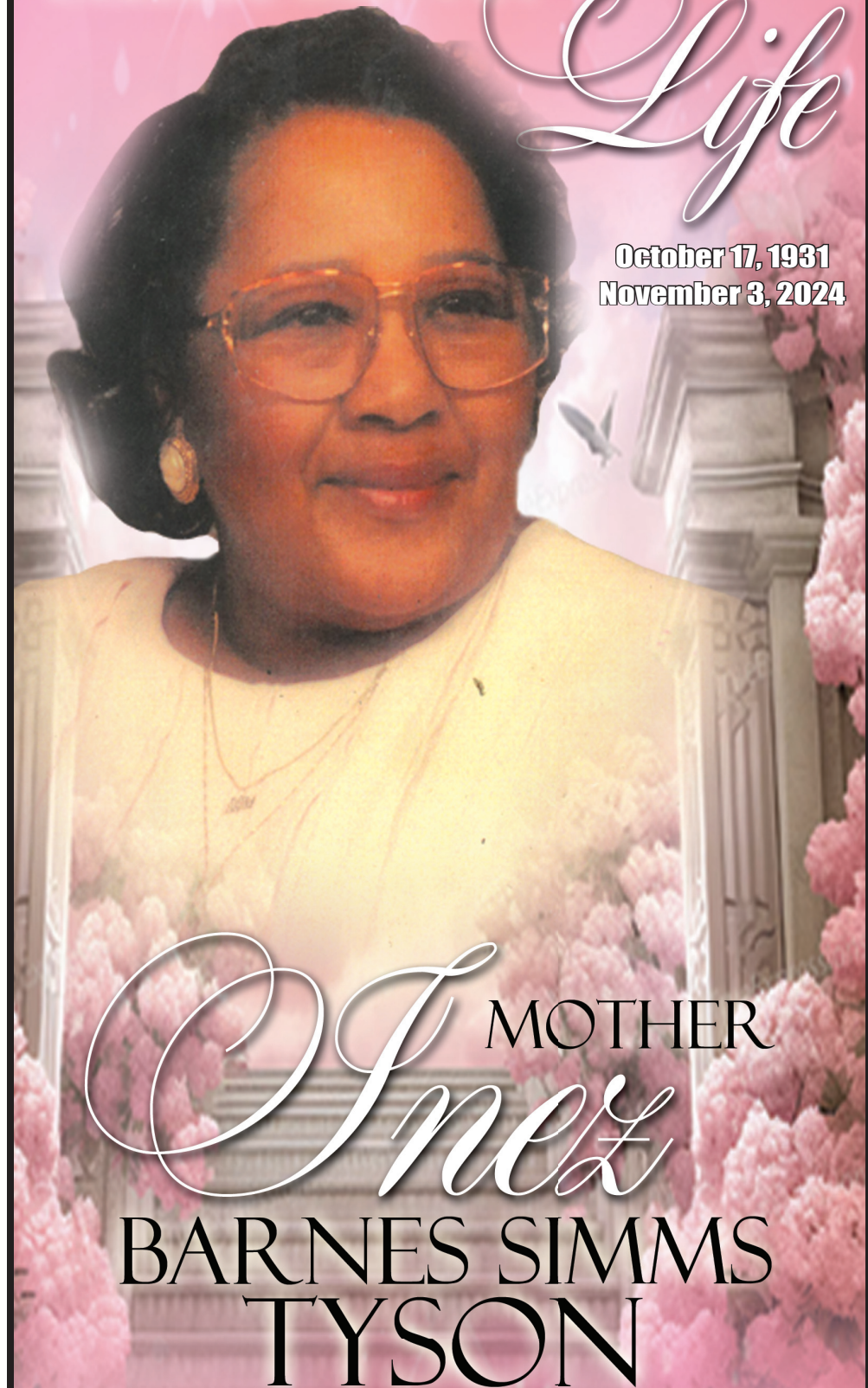
-THE FAMILY -



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CELEBRATION OF *Life*

October 17, 1931  
November 3, 2024



MOTHER  
*Inez*  
BARNES SIMMS  
TYSON

**Saturday, November 9, 2024**  
**- 11:00 AM -**

**Tabernacle Temple of Jesus Christ**  
1601 Bishop L.N. Forbes St., Wilson, NC  
**Bishop Robert E. Daniels, III, Eulogist**

**- Order of Service -**

*Reverend Beverly McMillan, Presider*

*Processional*.....Clergy & Family

*Musical Selection*

Elder Wiley Edwards & Combined Choirs

**- Holy Scripture Readings -**

*Old Testament*.....Pastor Mary Jo Atkinson

*New Bethel FWB Church, Rocky Mount, NC*

*New Testament*.....Reverend Dr. Wilbert B. Johnson

*Shady Grove M.B. Church, LaGrange, NC*

*Prayer of Comfort*.....Dr. Michael S. Bell

*Presiding Elder A.M.E. Zion Wilson District*

*Chant*.....Choir

*Musical Selection*

Elder Wiley Edwards & Combined Choirs

*- Reflections (2 minutes please) -*

*Mr. Reggie Newsome, Family*

*Ms. Thelma Isler, Neighborhood*

*Acknowledgements/ Church Resolution/Obituary*

Ms. Edith Barnes

*Solo*.....Deacon Johnny Wooten

*Shady Grove M.B. Church, LaGrange, NC*

*Eulogy*.....Bishop Robert E. Daniels, III

*Senior Pastor, Mt. Zion Progressive P.B. Church, Wilson, NC*

*Funeral Director's Brief*

*Recessional*

**- INTERMENT -**

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

**- Obituary -**

**MOTHER *Inez* BARNES SIMMS TYSON,**

daughter of the late Thomas Barnes and Minnie Bell Barnes was born October 17, 1931 in Wilson, North Carolina. God in His infinite wisdom and unfailing love called his child home to eternal rest on Sunday, November 3, 2024. Along with her parents, she was preceded in death by two husbands, Elmore Simms and Charles Tyson; one daughter, Bobbie Jean McKithan; one son, Devon Simms; and two granddaughters, Tomekia Denise Simms and Latoya Denise Simms.

Inez was reared in Wilson County, NC where she received her formative education from the Wilson County Public School System attending Speight High School in Saratoga, NC. Her love for cooking allowed her to have the drive to receive certifications in baking and other culinary certificates from East Carolina University in Greenville, NC. Inez was gainfully employed by the Wayne County Public School System for seventeen years. She enjoyed cooking delicious meals, talking on the phone, traveling, and having family gatherings. Inez also was a faithful member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Believing in the power and love of God she gave her life to the Lord. Inez united with the Bethel A.M.E. Zion Church in Stantonsburg, NC. While a member there she served faithfully as a member of the usher board, kitchen committee, mother board, and as a class leader. A kind and loving heart has now gone from labor to reward and will be remembered by all who knew her with love and adoration.

Loving and lasting memories are left to be cherished by her daughter, Bessie Wooten (Johnny) of Goldsboro, NC; three sons, Eddie Elmo Simms, Melvin Leo Simms, and Edgar Lee Simms (Jacqueline) all of Goldsboro, NC; three sisters, Minnie Mae Hall of Washington, DC, Mary Lois Newsome of Rocky Mount, NC, and Edith Barnes of Stantonsburg, NC; three brothers, Moses Barnes (Thelma) of Brooklyn, NY, Nathaniel Barnes, and Jasper Barnes both of Stantonsburg, NC; fourteen grandchildren; Sahara Harrison (Brian) of Gulfport, MS, Wendy Wilkerson (Brian) of Woodbridge, VA, Seandra Atkinson (Michael) of Wilson, NC, Tarsha Thompson (John) of Goldsboro, NC, Latonia (Douglas) of Portsmouth, VA; Nikia Sharpe- Henry (Shan) of Raleigh, NC, Takisha Edwards of Frederick, MD, Kristy Barfield of Goldsboro, NC, Tierra Simms of Newport News, VA, Michael McKithan of Fayetteville NC, Lillie Laquita Calhoun of Battle Creek, MI, Edgar Simms, Jr. (Latoya) of Wilson, NC, Antonio Simms (Laticia) of Wilson, NC, and Joshua Brown of Snow Hill, NC; twenty great grandchildren, one great-great grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, other loving relatives and friends.

**THE MASTER CALLED!**

