



Procession - Clergy & Sanders Family

Musical Selection - Evans Chapel Choir

Scripture Reading – Rev. Dr. Reginald A. Barnes, Sr.

Prayer of Comfort - Rev. Dr. Reginald A. Barnes, Sr.

Obituary Reading – Community Member

Solo Tribute to Family – Xaviar D. Steele McCrae

Remarks – Cleveland McCrae

Musical Selection - Evans Chapel Choir

Eulogy - Rev. Robert J. Bland

Closing Remarks - Sanders Funeral Home

Final Viewing & Procession

Interment Repass
Sunset Memorial Park – Evans Chapel AME Church
US Hwy 70 E. - Smithfield



To my W Tom

IF I COULD GIVE YOU
ONE THING IN LIFE
I WOULD GIVE YOU THE
ABILITY TO SEE YOURSELF
THROUGH MY EYES ONLY
THEN WOULD YOU
REALIZE HOW SPECIAL
YOU ARE TO ME.

THE LOVE BETWEEN A
MOTHER & DAUGHTER IS
FOREVER.
SO THE WORLD, YOU ARE A
MOM, BUT TO ME, YOU ARE
THE WORLD, AND EVERY
YEAR THAT PASSES, I LOVE
YOU EVEN MORE AND I AM
GRATEFUL FOR YOU EVERY
DAY.

LOVE, YOUR DAUGHTER



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Grace Sanders, 81, peacefully passed away on June 23 2024, in Smithfield, NC. Born on September 18, 1942, in Johnston County, Grace was a devoted resident whose kindness and dedication endeared her to many. She graduated from Johnston Central High School in 1964 and her creative spirit shone through her passion for sewing and furniture refurbishment.

A devout member of the Evans Chapel A.M.E. Church in Smithfield, Grace wholeheartedly embraced her faith and actively participated in Sunday school and church services. Throughout her life, she embodied the roles of a loving mother, sister, and aunt.

Preceding Grace in death were her parents Ed and Gladys Sanders; sisters Doris, Christine, and Betty Sanders; and brothers Norman, Roosevelt, Jimmy, and Cleveland Earl Sanders. Her legacy is a poignant reflection of her unwavering love for both family and community.

Grace is survived by her son Cleveland McCrae; daughter Wynee Joyner; son-in-law Gerald S. Joyner; grandchildren Melissa Joyner, Alecia Joyner, Gerald Joyner Jr., and Xaviar Steele McCrae. She also leaves behind nephews Morris Sapp, Terrence Sanders, and Rodney Sanders, as well as many other relatives and friends.

The memory of Grace Sanders will be embraced and cherished by all who had the privilege of knowing her.