

Pall Bearers
Floral Bearers

Nephews
Nieces

Our dear one, this shall be our last farewell. For you there will be no more tears or years of pain, no more time to waste and no more days of haste. Many will cry because you've passed on. For where you're gone, we long to be. Where there is no time, no space; just a happy, endless place. Instead, we cry for the time we shall never have together, and for the education we will miss, no not the kind you find in books, but the kind only your experience can give. The facts you knew no textbooks contain; the comfort you gave no words can give; the love you showed no dictionary can define. Now that our song has been sung and another one has begun, we await the day when there will be no need for this, "our last farewell."

Acknowledgments

The family wishes to express our heartfelt appreciation for the loving kindness shown during our time of bereavement. Your prayers, telephone calls, flowers, meals and visits have given us comfort. We are grateful for the outpouring of love and support shown.



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Celebrating the Life of

Sunrise: April 11th, 1947 Sunset December 6th, 2023



La Vern
Gwendolyn
BRYANT
Reid

Order of Service

Bishop Janie Carr, Presider

Processional.....Clergy & Family
Musical Selection.....Choir
Prayer of Comfort.....Bishop Tommy Davis
Scriptures
Old Testament.....Apostle Amanda Jones
New Testament.....Bishop Terry Bethea
Solo.....Min. Annie McDonald
Remarks.....2 Minutes Please

Elder Sean Garner
Apostle Anthony Buie
Mrs. Virginia Young
Dr. Marie Anne Wheeler
Apostle Jerry Porter

Musical Selection.....Choir
Acknowledgements/Obituary.....Patera Foye-Fuller
Solo.....Elder Antwan Jones
Eulogy.....Apostle C. B. Richardson
Little Rock Church of Deliverance, Naylor Rd, Washington DC

Mortician's Brief.....Sanders Funeral Home
Recessional

INTERMENT

Evergreen Funeral Home Cemetery & Cremation
3888 HWY 70 West at Capps Bridge Rd
Princeton NC 27569

REPAST

Mt Zion Church of God
309 W Edwards St, Princeton, NC 27569

The Obituary

On December 6, 2023, LaVern Gwendolyn Bryant Reid, 76, passed away at Wake Medical Hospital in Raleigh, North Carolina. Born on April 11, 1947, to the late Willie Norman Bryant Sr. and Penina Campbell Bryant, she was one of thirteen children.

Following her graduation from Richard B. Harrison High School in Selma, North Carolina, she labored in Princeton, North Carolina, to earn her associate's degree in order to work as a teacher's aide. She married Elder Curtis Reid of Princeton, North Carolina on September 19, 1965, and the couple had two children together.

Later, LaVern and Curtis moved to Raleigh, North Carolina, where she worked for 40 years as the lead administrative assistant at Fred A. Olds Elementary School. She would influence, uplift, and mentor a multitude there. She would make a difference in the lives of many people, including parents, teachers, custodians, principals, and children. She enabled Christ to shine through her in everyone she encountered as she matured in Him at a young age. She was a blessing from God to her neighborhood, church, and family.

When LaVern was just 14 years old, she joined Mount Zion Bible Church of God in Princeton NC and completely committed her life to Christ. She enjoyed her role as church secretary. Her role would soon change as she became the First Lady of Pisgah Top Bible Church of God in Erwin NC, Mt. Zion, Wilson Revival Center in Wilson, North Carolina, Gospel City in Raleigh, North Carolina, Holy Temple in Fayetteville, North Carolina, a few years later. She was appointed as an elder by Apostle R.L. Garner during this period. First Lady of Gospel City and Holy Temple was her present assignment.

Along with her parents, LaVern was preceded in death by two brothers, Thomas Sherill Bryant and Jerome Bryant; three brothers-in-law, Willie Carpenter, Danny Ray Carpenter, and Bennie Dudley; and five sisters, Annette Clarke, Vivian Shepard, Patty Sue Bryant, Louise Bryant, and Wanda Faye Bryant.

Leaving behind to cherish her memory are her husband Reverend Dr. Curtis Reid, a daughter Christina Reid, a son Keith Reid, 3 grandchildren Corey Reid(Katherine), Cameryn Reid, and Kendall Reid, siblings Mary Dudley, Jean Carpenter, Willie Bryant Jr, Jonnie Bryant, Dwight Bryant; Sisters in love Regina Foye, Miriam Bryant, Virginia Young and a host of nieces, nephews, family, and friends.