Floral Bearers

Nieces

Pall Bearers

Nephews

Acknowledgements

The family of Helen Odell Barnes Diggs acknowledges with deep appreciation and grateful hearts all expressions of sympathy extended to our family during our time of bereavement. Your kindness and thoughtfulness have enabled us to bear the loss of one we held so dear. You have given us comfort and strength as we prepare to say our final farewell. Thank you for your loyalty and support. May the Lord continue to bless each of you and keep you forever in His grace and mercy. The Diggs Family

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Sunrise November 25, 1943

Sunset August 6, 2022

Saturday, August 13, 2022 1:30 P.M.

Robert King, Sr. Memorial Chapel

726 S. Tarboro Street - Wilson, North Carolina

Pastor Jimmy Williams, Eulogist Carrons Funeral Home, Directing

The Order of Service

Pastor Bobby Diggs, Presiding Processional

Musical Selection – Carrons Gospel Choir

Scripture Readings Old Testament – Minister Travis Newsome New Testament – Minister Trina Hines

Prayer of Comfort – Pastor Raethan Parker

Musical Selection – The Smith Sisters

Acknowledgements & Obituary – Mrs. Dorothy Williams

Musical Selection – Carrons Gospel Choir

Eulogy Pastor Jimmy Williams Funeral Director's Brief Solo – Brother Kent Taylor Recessional

Interment

Hamilton Burial Garden Bishop L.N. Forbes Street – Wilson, North Carolina

The Obituary

Helen Odell Barnes Diggs

Helen Odell Barnes Diggs, daughter of William Henry Barnes and Mary Hazel Smith Jones, was born November 25, 1943 in Wayne County, North Carolina. She peacefully departed her earthly life on Saturday, August 6, 2022 as she was called to her eternal rest. Along with her parents, she was preceded in death by Cornelius Jones who reared her; five sisters, Shirley Sanders, Elizabeth Whitley, Ozzie L. Pate, Edith Barnes, and Pattie Daniels; her brothers, William "June" Barnes, Morris Jones, and Cornell Jones. Helen was reared in Wayne County where she received her formative education from the Wayne County Public School System. She was reared in a home where the love of family, religion, and work ethics were very important. A dedicated and resourceful worker, Helen was employed by Export Tobacco Company where she worked faithfully for many years.

Loving, kind, and devoted, Helen enjoyed life and the many pleasures she received from her family and friends. She was a resourceful cook and loved cooking and having family gatherings. She loved to laugh and have a good time. Her grandchildren were the joy of her life. She delighted in babysitting them and watching them grow and develop. She was a wonderful mother, grandmother, sister and friend who will be dearly missed but always remembered with love and adoration.

Precious memories are forever cherished by her daughters, Veronica Sherlene Diggs of the home; her sons, William "Bo" Diggs (Michelle) of Beulaville, NC and Ervin Diggs and his wife, Deborah of Stantonsburg, NC; two sisters, Janice Kimbrough and Linda Jones of Capital Heights, MD; three brothers, Gene Barnes (Lillie Mae) of Wilson, NC, Anthony Jones and Donald Ray Jones of Durham, NC; her granddaughter, Alexis Williams of Durham, NC; one grandson, Devation Artis (Danitra) of Durham, NC; one great granddaughter, Zara Artis; and one great grandson, Ashton Williams; brother in-law, Charlie Pate of Wilson, NC; caretaker, Peaches Brown; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.