



Mother Rosetta W. Harrell

September 19, 1929 - June 15, 2022

“May the Work I’ve Done, Speak for Me”

Softly and sweetly an angel was beckoned to the beside of this glorious woman of God on Wednesday, June 15, 2022 to carry our beloved mother, sister, grandmother, aunt, and Christian servant, Rosetta Ware Harrell, also affectionally known as “Mama Rose” or “Mother Harrell” to rest.

Rosetta Harrell was born on September 19, 1929 in Chester, South Carolina to the late Mannie and Isabel Brown Ware Sr. She was educated in the Chester County School system. Along with her 11 siblings, Mother Harrell was nurtured in the Christian faith and at an early age she accepted Jesus as her Lord and Savior.

In 1954 ,Rosetta relocated her family to Winston-Salem to capitalize on better career opportunities. Down through the years, she has labored tirelessly for entities such as The Angelo Brothers, The Gallaghers, Bassett Sack, Inc., R.J. Reynold Tobacco, and lastly Arbor Acres, from which she retired twice as a Certified Nursing Assistant.

In 1970, Rosetta married the late Howard Harrell Sr. The Lord blessed their union with a blended family of six children, whom they were able to teach and model the principles of God’s word and of loving others.

Shortly after relocating to Winston-Salem, she joined Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church under the tenure of Reverend T.S. Staten. She became a pivotal servant of God as she embraced the tutelage from many of the ministry instructors. She wholeheartedly embraced 1 Corinthians 15:58, which

testified of her ability to be steadfast, unmovable, and always abounding in the work of the Lord. For over 65+ years, her love for God and her church was reflected in assignments she took on such as the President of the Missionary department, the Kitchen Committee chair, songster of the Senior Choir, a Deaconess, and a faithful attendee of the Sisters-in-Christ bible study. Additionally, she was known for her commitment to the Forsyth County Missionary and Sunday School Unions and her participation in the High Point Educational Missionary Baptist Association.

Mother Harrell loved cooking and seeing others devour her signature macaroni and cheese and savory oxtails. Her genuine concern for others never allowed her to meet a stranger and prompted her to give to anyone in need beyond measure. She was an encourager by nature and no matter the tide, she could always be heard declaring her favorite words of wisdom, "Just Keep Prayer."

In addition to her husband and parents, Mother Harrell was preceded in death by a daughter, Elizabeth Penn, a son, Howard Harrell II; a grandson, Stephen Brown; a sister, Bessie Powell; four brothers, Eugene Ware, Theodore Ware, Mannie Ware, Jr., and Charles Ware ,Sr.

She leaves a treasure of dear memories to 3 daughters, Evangelist Bessie (Reverend Henry) Massey, Cornell Watlington, Vanessa Lewis,; a son, Reverend Ronnie (Dee) Harrell, Sr., all of Winston-Salem,. She is survived by 2 brothers, Simon (Ada) Ware, Sr, of Durham NC, Adolph (Elaine) Ware, Sr. of Silver Springs, MD; two sisters, Luretta Chapman of Oxon Hill, MD, Eunice (Alphonso) Stephens of Suitland, MD; 15 grandchildren, Reverend Virmell Johnson, Reverend Valerie (Pastor Anderson) Hicks, Dr. Violet (Kevin) Hoyle II of Virginia Beach, VA; April Bullock, Lisa Scaife, Shantell Maddox, Shenica (Cleo) Oliver, all of Charlotte, NC; Valencia Stafford, Tasha Davis, Patrick Lewis, David Lewis, Ronnie Harrell, Jr, Frederick Harrell, Jackie Harrell ; 36 great grandchildren, 37 great-great grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. A devoted Sister-n-law, Emma Ware of Chester, SC; a grand-niece Cora Bryant; and her youngest dynamic caregiver of the family,

Leah Johnson

Cemetery Details

Piedmont Memorial Gardens

3663 Piedmont Memorial Dr.
Winston Salem, NC 27107

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JUN **19**. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Gilmore Memorial Funeral Service
1609 N Liberty St.
Winston Salem, NC 27105
(336) 723-5508
gilmorefuneralhm@gmail.com
<http://www.gilmorefunerals.com>

Visitation

JUN **20**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church
1400 Fitch Street
Winston Salem, NC 27107

Homegoing Service

JUN **20**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

WF

“ Aunt Rose,
You will be missed so much! I always enjoyed our hugs and conversations whenever you came home, especially during revival. Although you were not related to me biologically, you always said to call you Aunt Rose, and that's what I did! My family and I will miss you greatly. You are now resting peacefully in God's care!
Much love,
Wanda Faye Frederick

Wanda Faye Frederick - June 20, 2022 at 04:10 PM

CW

“ Aunt Rose the love you have shown to me throughout my life has been second to none. I will always cherish the memories of us visiting you during my childhood and that's where I fell in love with oatmeal pies. All throughout my life you never once judged me but would always share some kind and encouraging words. I will forever miss those times and your enduring love for not only me but whomever you came in contact with. You were Aunt Rose to not only your own nieces and nephews but my cousins on my mothers side as well. Love you always and I'll continue to live a true spiritual life just as we discussed throughout the years.....

Chuck Ware

Chuck Ware - June 20, 2022 at 11:56 AM

FF

“ *Frank Fogle lit a candle in memory of Mother Rosetta W. Harrell*



Frank Fogle - June 20, 2022 at 11:10 AM

SJ

“ *Cousin Rose, as I always called her was a very gentle and kind woman of God. When I returned home here in Winston after 50 years, she was always a great reminder of my past and how she was a spiritual force in our lives. When my mom was ill she would stop by and make her laugh and comfortable. She was used by God in my life to render some valuable information that had been kept from me and I'm forever grateful! Love you cousin Rose now and forevermore! Sharon*

Sharon Jones - June 19, 2022 at 01:38 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Gilmore Funeral Home - June 18, 2022 at 04:40 AM

SK

“ I remember Mrs. Rose during my childhood in the former Happy Hill Gardens. She taught us to love God, be respectful, and live in purity along with her daughter and my beloved friend, Elizabeth Penn, affectionately called “Lib”. I also have memories of her delicious homemade cakes! May our Lord Christ Jesus give all of you His loving comfort and all that is needed. Love and prayers from our family...



Sherian Spaugh Kelly

Sherian Spaugh Kelly - June 17, 2022 at 11:17 PM

RF

May God's love give you all comfort, peace, and joy. My sincere condolences to the family.

Regina Forrest
Chesapeake, VA

Regina Forrest - June 20, 2022 at 06:57 AM

AR

“ arlenes5448@yahoo.com purchased the Healing Tears - Lavender and White for the family of Mother Rosetta W. Harrell.



arlenes5448@yahoo.com - June 17, 2022 at 06:14 PM

AS

“ I was introduced to Ms. Rose by Mr. Harrell as a teenager and she became a second mom to me and stayed in touch over the many years since. Sending love, prayers and wonderful memories to the family.

Arlene Smith - June 17, 2022 at 05:49 PM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Mother Rosetta W. Harrell.*



June 17, 2022 at 09:11 AM



“ *May lasting peace surround your grieving heart and cherished memories bring moments of comfort.
Extending heartfelt sympathy
Gail Berry
Galilee Missionary Baptist Church*

Gail Berry - June 16, 2022 at 08:14 PM



*I was introduced to Mother Harrell, by way of her church and community contributions.
She was a very kind and caring person, who always shared a smile.
She will be greatly missed, but God has gained another "angel" for His heavenly choir.
May God continue to bless the family and her legacy never disappear in the community.*

Mr Toni R Leak Sr.

Mr Toni R. Leak Sr - June 17, 2022 at 10:36 AM



My Love and prayers go out to the family of Mother Rose. Great Lady .always had a kind word to speak.will be missed. Alma Penn

Alma Penn - June 19, 2022 at 07:25 AM

LF

“ *My condolences to the Family Rose was like a sister to The Feaster Family from Chester SC, We will miss her.*
Laura Feaster Frederick Hephzibah GA

Laura Frederick - June 16, 2022 at 07:27 PM