

## Remembering the Life of

*Brenda Holt Gray Robertson*

**Ms. Brenda Holt Gray Robertson**, was born in Randolph County on November 19, 1945 and was the daughter of the late James Carven Gray and Rosalee Holt Gray. She departed this life on December 20, 2020 from an extended illness.

Brenda was a graduate of Morningside High School and was a member of Statesville Covenant Cathedral. At the time of her death, she was retired from Iredell Statesville Schools as a teacher assistant.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brothers, Randolph “June” Little, Ronald T. Little and William “Billy” Gray, nephews Brian Kevin Gray and William “Little Bill” Gray and a niece Leslie Dawn Gray.

She leaves to cherish the memory of her life, three daughters Maria (Robert) White, Andrea (Anthony) Darty of Statesville, Kimberly Alysia Blackwell of Rockwell, NC. One son, William (Cynthia) Blackwell of Charlotte, NC. Nine Grandchildren – Antonio Deshawn (Nicky) Gray, Ayanna Darty of Statesville, NC, Shateria Renek Blackwell, Kameron Blackwell, Candace, Cameron, Brandace Mayes, Jhakeya and James Sims of Charlotte, NC. One sister, Patricia Gray of Statesville, NC. One brother, James “Jimmi” Little. An adopted daughter, Chandra Harris. One aunt Amanda Brown of Salisbury, NC. Eight great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, church family and dear friends.

## The Loss of a Dear Mother

*By LaJoyce Ann Brawley*

*The love of a mother never goes away,  
It will be with you each and everyday  
She might be absent from the body,  
But knowing she is present with the Lord.  
The closeness you share from her heart,  
Her warm spirit will never part.*

*Ms. Brenda left a prayer legacy with all the intercessors that will never part. She is dancing and singing with Mama Rose, Billy, and Kevin and still intercede for her children Toni, Robert, Rennie, Cynt, Andrea, Kim, Yana, Deshawn, Pat and all her family, prayer partners and friends.*

*When you see blessings and things have been intercepted and the impossible she's interceding on our behalf.*

**Wednesday, December 30, 2020**  
**Rutledge and Bigham Funeral Home**  
**Statesville, North Carolina**  
**Bishop Samuel Thomas, Officiating**  
**11:00 a.m.**

## The Order of Service

The Processional

The Prelude & Introductory Remarks . Bishop Samuel Thomas

The Opening Prayer ..... Elder Craig Tatum

The Song: *I'm Going to Be Ready* ... Pastor Christopher Thomas

The Reflections ..... Karen Thomas and Frances Hasan

The Scriptures Reading ..... Elder Kenneth Reid

The Acknowledgements ..... Funeral Director

The Prayer for the Family ..... Elder Craig Tatum

The Remarks and Eulogy ..... Bishop Samuel Thomas

The Committal ..... Bishop Samuel Thomas

The Benediction ..... Bishop Samuel Thomas

The Final Departure







*A Life Well Lived...*

*Is Never Lost!*

With Our Thanks

...that we through the patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope, (Romans 15) God has given us our church family, neighbors and dear friends, to help us as we go forward. **God's Word has been manifested** through your many expressions of sympathy and support; **we praise God from whom all blessings flow.** Thank you for honoring the memory of our beloved Brenda and for remembering us during her illness and passing. In our risen Lord, **we have peace that passes all understanding**

*The Family*

*Professional Services Entrusted to "Those Who Care"*

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For  
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