



Casket Bearers

Grandsons Flower Bearers

Granddaughters

With Our Heartfelt Shanks

We through 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 "Carrie Mae" 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" Rutledge & Bigham Mortuary, Inc.

603 South Center Street, Statesville, NC 28677 (704) 873-3611 Visit "Mrs. Eckles" online tribute at www.rutledgeandbigham.com -

Given In Love May 29, 1922

Saturday, April 16, 2022 3:00 p.m. Rutledge and Bigham Funeral Home Statesville, North Carolina Reverend James A. Boyce, Officiating

I lought a good fight, I kept the faith, I finished my course





April 11, 2022







Eckles Five Generation

Pictured are (from left) great-grandfather Robert Eckles, great-great-grandmother Carrie Mae Eckles holding great-great-grandson Yimir Turner, grandfather Richard Eckles, daughter Ta'Nara Blactwait



































Come, ye disconsolate, wherever ye languish, Come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel. Here bring your wounded hearts, here tell your anguish; Earth has no sorrow that heav'n cannot heal.

Mrs. Carrie Mae Johnson Eckles, 99, of 446 Mt. Bethel Road, Harmony, passed away on Monday, April 11, 2022, at her residence. She was born on May 29, 1922, in Iredell County to the late Rodney Alexander "Short" Johnson and Mary Wilson.

Mrs. Carrie was a member of Rocky Creek African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, Harmony, N.C., where she served as Mission President for many years. Carrie worked at Stamey Steele Resturant and she was well known for her cooking. In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by her husband of 65 years, William Lawrence Eckles; two sons, William Larnell Eckles and Robert Lawrence Eckles; two daughters, Flora Mae and Carrie Ann Eckles Smyre; a grandson, Mark Anthony Eckles; two brothers, Hugh Johnson and Aubrey "Monk" Johnson; four sisters, Stella Johnson, Alberta Thompson, and Louise James.

She leaves to cherish the memories of her life, two sons, Gilbert Eckles and James (Regina) Eckles; three daughters, Patricia Eckles of Jamestown, Nelda "Nokey" Chambers of the home, and Rozell (Thomas) Feimster of Virginia Beach, Va; three daughtets-in-la, Betty-Jo Eckles, Annie Smyre Eckles and Brenda Reid Eckles; third generation of grandchildren, William Michael "Booker" Stevenson, Paulette (Anthony) Stevenson Johnson, Roxanne Eckles, Teresa (Ricky) Eckles, William Larnell Eckles, Jr., Gaynell (Gerard) Eckles Wheeler, Darlene (David) Eckles Thompson, Marlene (Kenny) Eckles, Richard Allan "Ricky" (Diane) Eckles, Linda Nichols, James Rodney Eckles, Jeffery Eckles, Ricky Bernard (Tonya) Eckles, Charles Eckles, Tressie (Robert) Eckles Prescott, Sabrina Bennett Thomas, Jessica Eckles, Dennis Wayne (April) Eckles, Sr., Brian Bennett, Anthony Tyrone "Bud" (Tamara) Eckles, Sr., Searetha Muse, Terani (Byron) Feimster Perry, Ronald Eugene (Jennifer) Eckles, Sr., Davin Shawn "Stank" (Anita) Smyre, Johnetta Davis Sadler, Corey Eckles, Angela (Jabar) Anderson Hussie, Brandon Eckles, Nicholas Ullum, James DeShawn Eckles, Thomas Lynn Feimster, Jr., and Rodney Alexander Eckles; fourth generation of great grandchildren, Tyrone Barber, Tanva Stevenson, Shonika Eckles, Katrina Eckles, LaShawn Eckles, Gary Scott, Jr., Okeria Myers, Shakara Scott, Torskiki Blackwell Graham, Steven D. (Jacolia) Smith, TaNara Blackwell, Charity Morrison, Alisha Millsaps, Jeremy Stevenson, LaQuinda Turner, Dennis (Lorina) Eckles, Jr., Denielle (Matthew) Eckles McCray, Byron Eckles, Emanuel "Man" Stevenson, Devon Muse, Michael Muse, Jabria Prescott, Amber Wheeler, Denzel (Ariel) Eckles, La'Sha Prescott, Steve "Man" Morrison, Christopher Stevenson, Kellie Carrie Ann Smyre, Cory O'Shay Neely, Jabrar Hussie, Jr., Ronald "Jay" Eckles, Jr., Tyrek Kearney, Tara Dye, Gerard "RJ" Wheeler, Jr., Asia (Mark) Thomas Gore, Alexis Eckles, Gabrielle Perry, India Thomas, Jabrenee' Hussie, Keyan Charity, Tevin Rae Eckles, India Zhare Hill, Aleigha Faith Eckles, Miles Jordan Grier, Jordan Sadler, Thomas Sadler, Adrian Dalton, Anthony Tyrone "AJ" Eckles, Caden Jeron Eckles, Alexandra Rose Perry, Rodney A. Eckles, Jr., Erskin (Sonny) Summers and Kisha (Jeremy) Harris; fifth generation of great great grandchildren, Kiana Stevenson, Jasmyne Eckles, TaiMigeo (Akaysia) Stevenson, Antonio "Ton Ton" Griffin, William Jaheim Barber, Stevie Smith, Jr., Makayla Turner, Tyron O'Kiera Morrison, Yimir Kalee Turner, Ashiya Millsap, Summer Smith, Zi'mia Ra'anne Turner, Tekhare Scott Powell, Zariah Millsap, Khalil JaQuez Myers, TaKiera IvyOnna Scokton-Myers, Tyrice Young, Jr., Zeryelle Scott, Keyanee Zamiah Turner, Zaytavion Millsap, Saniia Muse, Nehemiah Blackwell, Hope Blackwell, Shyla Monae Smith, Kamari Zion Turner, Kazari Zionna Turner, King Zyair Winston, Zay Shon DeWayne Scott, Dennis W. Eckles, III, Destine Grace Williams, Keiloni Dobbins, Keithan Scott, Kayden Lyons, Kantrell Griffin, Acen Eckles, Amir Eckles, Avyanna Eckles, Jacques Bell, Jayden Nunn, Ayden Nunn, Aaron Whittmore, Amir Ponder, Byron Eckles, Jr., Shelea McCray, Matthew McCray, Jr., Jasmine Stevenson, Kassy Stevenson, Mylana Summers, Destiny Harris, Hiram Harris, Kavion Harris and Jaram Harris; sixth generation of great great great grandchildren, Darryl J'ohn Jordan, Aiana Jordan, Brielle Jordan, August Jordan and Nova Harris; one special niece, Alma Lesane of Durham, N.C.; great nephews and great niece, Raymon Richardson, Corey Mitchell and Alvera Lesane; a special caregiver, Ms. Ingrid Steele, who cared for her as her own mom; a host of other nephews, nieces, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

Miss Me, But Let Me Go!

When I come to the end of the road, and the sun has set for me. I want no rites in a gloom filled room, why cry for a soul set free. Miss me a little, but not too long, and not with your head bowed low. *Remember the love that we once shared, Miss me – but let me go.* For this is a journey that we all must take, and each must go alone. It's all a part of the Master's plan, a step on the road to home. When you are lonely, and sick at heart, go to the friends we know. Laugh at all the things we used to do, Miss Me, But Let Me Go!!

Homegoing Service for

Mrs. CarrieMae Johnson Eckles

Saturday, April 16, 2022 Rutledge and Bigham Funeral Home Statesville, North Carolina Reverend James A. Boyce, Officiating Reverend Reginald Eldridge, Eulogist

The Moments of Sharing

2:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.

The Processional Friends are welcome to visit with family

The Invocation The Scripture Meditation **Old Testament** New Testament The Prayer of Comfort The Family Tribute Mr. Dennis Eckles The Selection The Recessional Selection

> Please remain prayerful as we go to the final resting place. At The Rocky Creek AME Zion Church Cemetery Harmony, North Carolina The Interment The Committal The Placing of the Casket The Prayer of Benediction The Final Departure

The Order of Service

3:00 p.m.