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Nieces

Acknowledgements

The family of the late Ulyses Collier, acknowledges with deep appreciation all the kind expressions of sympathy extended. We shall always remember your love, kindness and overall support. A special note of thanks is extended to Smith Brothers Funeral Directors, Inc. for their kindness and compassion.



God Will Always Make a Way

Dedicated to the families with sick loved ones or have lost loved ones.

Sorrow can cause a person so much pain.
Being broken hearted could drive you insane.
God understands our problems in this world of today.
His blessings will always show us the way.
Even when sickness falls on someone close to you,
Remember a prayer to God is the right thing to do.
His blessings will last for many, many years.
It will help you dry up all your long lost tears.
So keep your mind focused on the good times that you had,
And with the love of God inside you, you'll never be so sad.

Ulysses Collier Jr.

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A Homegoing Service Celebrating the Life of



Ulyses Collier

November 14, 1926 – October 06, 2004

Tuesday, October 12, 2004
Visitation 11:00 - 12:00 noon
Funeral Service Immediately Following

Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church

2448 Herman Street
Nashville, Tennessee 37208
Pastor, Percy J. Clark

Reverend Hosea Garrett, Pastor
Hosea Temple C.P.C.A.
Officiant/Eulogist

Obituary

Elder Ulyses Collier was born on November 14, 1926 in Athens, Alabama to the late Luke Collier and Nancy Daly Collier. On Wednesday, October 6, 2004, Elder Collier departed this earthly life and entered the heavenly gates. He was preceded in death by one brother, John Robert Collier and three sisters, Ailene Coleman, Lillie Collier, and Shirley Smith.

Elder Collier, fondly referred to as "Deke", "Uncle Plunk", "Diddy", "Papa" and "C" by family and friends was retired from Baptist Hospital in Nashville, Tennessee. Afterwards, he was self employed and worked for the Stevens and Nelson families as a laborer and gardener, beautifying God's earth. The most important job held by him was working for the Lord. Oftentimes he would say "I have to be about my Father's business." Elder Collier not only spoke these words, but he lived them daily. He spent his time visiting and praying for the patients in hospitals and nursing homes, praying and singing at funerals, and ministering about the goodness of God to everyone he met. He also traveled to his birth community of Athens, Alabama two weekends of each month to minister to nursing home patients and the sick and shut-in. While there he also visited family and friends, and sang and prayed on the Sunday morning WVNN radio broadcast. *He was faithful, and God's angel here on earth.*

Elder Collier accepted Christ at an early age and united with Moses Temple Cumberland Presbyterian (C.P.) Church in Athens, Alabama. After moving to Nashville, he united with the Hosea Temple C.P. Church, where he served for over 40 years. He was active in the Presbytery, representing the church for decades. He spent countless hours ministering to patients in hospitals and nursing homes in Tennessee and North Alabama.

He leaves to cherish his memories nine children: Houston (Elaine) Collier, Doris Collier, Ernestine (Gilbert) Harrison, Deborah Thompson, Teresa (Tommie) Foley-Batts, Ulysses (Angela) Collier, Jr., Rickey Collier, Zenobia (Steve) Ryan, and Patsy Prevost; six brothers, Clinton Collier, Thomas (Lucille) Collier, James (Lorean) Collier, Wendell (Vivian) Collier, Luke (Bonnie) Collier, and Van Edward (Dee) Collier; two sisters, Vanzola (Bristol) Nolan and Ann Collier; eighteen grandchildren, Quentin Collier, Brenda Collier, Tawana Collier, Houston Collier, Jr., Katherine Harrison, Sheree (Calvin) Graham, Michael (Tera) Collier, Carlos Foley, Julius Foley, Brandon Foley, Jeremy Collier, JeNaia Ryan, Patrick Tullis, Erika Collier, Darius Collier, Joshua Collier, Justin Collier, and Joycelyn Collier; five great-grandchildren; many loving nieces, nephews, cousins, a devoted friend, Catherine Gooch and her son, Maurice Gooch and a host of other relatives and friends.

*"Oh give thanks to the Lord for He is good! For His mercy endures forever."
Psalm 118:1*

Order of Service

Processional

Selection.....Choir

Prayer.....Rev. Staten

Scripture

Old Testament – Psalm 23.....Reverend Curtis Collier

New Testament – John 14:1-6.....Reverend Winfred Crutcher

SelectionChoir

Resolutions and Acknowledgements.....Mrs. Sarah Harper

Selection.....Choir

Reflections.....(Limited to 3 Minutes).....Ministers
Family Member

Solo.....Pastor Percy J. Clark

Eulogy.....Reverend Hosea Garrett

Solo.....Elder Cavanaugh

Closing Prayer.....Elder R.C. Bartley

Recessional

Interment

Pleasant Grove Cemetery
Athens, Alabama

