

Order of Service

Prelude

Processional

Invocation Reverend Ronnie C. Stinson

Hymn “Blessed Assurance”

Scripture Readings:
Old Testament Psalm 23 Minister
New Testament Romans 8:32 Minister

Prayer of Comfort Minister Kimberly Strother

Acknowledgements & Obituary Reading Mrs. Janice Gill

Remarks Mrs. Darlene Abili
Mrs. Charlene Gash

Solo Elder Herman “Sonny” Hewitt

Words of Comfort Rev. Ronnie C. Stinson

Recessional The Family

Committal/Interment
Philadelphia United Methodist
Church Cemetery, Lawndale, NC



Life Reflections

Rita Faye Hoyle Brown was born on October 17, 1962 to Willie G. Hoyle and Thelma Boyd Hoyle in Gastonia, North Carolina. She was called home to be with the Lord on Sunday, January 3, 2021 at her home in Gastonia. Her death was not Covid related.

Rita and her two brothers grew up attending St. Peter’s A.M.E. Zion Church in Gastonia. Her favorite ministries there were the children’s choir and the Buds of Promise. She also enjoyed competing with her brothers academically.

Rita was a 1980 graduate of Ashbrook High School. After attending Gaston College and UNC-Charlotte, Rita was employed by Freight Liner of Gastonia. She later moved to Charlotte and worked professionally as an HR Senior Analyst with Alight Financial Services (formerly named Hewitt Associates and Aon) for 16 ½ years until her transition to glory. While in Charlotte, she also became a faithful member of Victory Christian Center and knew Jesus Christ as her personal Lord and Savior.

Her favorite past-time was watching the Carolina Panthers. Her favorite player was CAM Newton. She also enjoyed traveling, shopping, and spending quality time with her family. She adored her grandchildren, and they were extremely fond of their “Mi-Maw.”

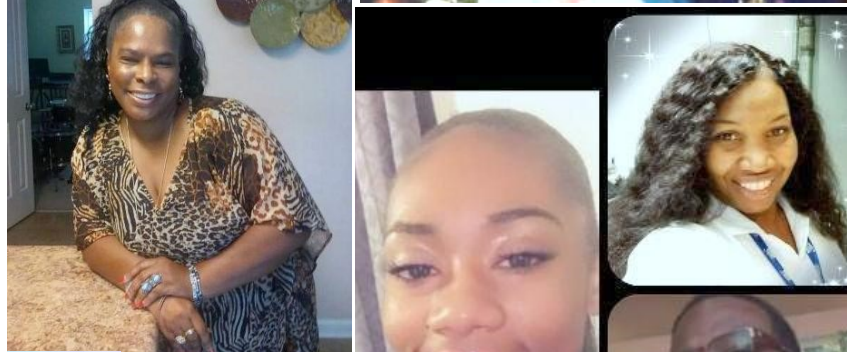
A breast cancer survivor, Rita was a gentle and compassionate spirit, but also a very brave and strong fighter. When Rita wasn’t feeling well, you would never know it. Despite any situation, she always found a way to make you laugh with her witty comebacks. With her beautiful bright smile; her contagious laughter; and her sweet but confident voice; she remarkably always knew the right words to say to make everyone feel special and loved. This shining star will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Rita was preceded in death by her husband, Carlton “Speedy” Brown, who transitioned on November 2, 2008, and by her father, Willie G. Hoyle, who transitioned on Easter Sunday, 2001.

Rita leaves to cherish fond memories her Mother, Thelma Boyd Hoyle; daughter, Shakera Shante’ Hoyle; son, Tomares “TC” Cleveland Brown (Sivilay); two brothers, Reginald E. Hoyle (Gail) and Roger L. Hoyle (Marilyn); two stepchildren, Shonda Benton and Carlton “Jr” Benton (Sheika); grandchildren Shaniya Lipscomb, Tierra Lipscomb, Rihanna Lipscomb, Zion Clark,

Sophie Brown, Kevetta Little, Honesty Benton, Chi’jeim Benton, Jalexus Watson, Jamiyah Watson, Jurnee Williams; endeared to her heart were best friends Charlene Gash, Diane Belton, and Darlene Abili; a special friend Gabriel Lowe; a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and extended family and dear friends.





**YOU WILL ALWAYS BE
REMEMBERED . . .**

*She was a noble Christian,
Loved by all she knew
Everyone she tried to help
And smiled the whole day through.*

*We shall miss her bright smile
And all her loving ways,
But we'll try to live for Jesus,
And meet her at the end of our days.*

*Flower Bearers and Pall Bearers
Family and Friends*

Note of Thanks

In our sorrow and joy, we have experienced the love and kindness from our personal dearest family, friends, and work colleagues, as well as from Rita's. We truly thank you for your genuine heart-felt expressions during this time. Thank you for your continued prayers for all of her loved ones during this season. May God's love, peace, and grace continue to bless us all.

Blessed Assurance
Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine
Perfect submission, all is at rest
I in my Savior am happy and blessed
I in my Savior am happy and blessed
Heir of salvation, purchase of God
Watching and waiting, looking above
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love
This is my story, this is my song

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CELEBRATION OF *Life* FOR Rita Faye Hoyle Brown



**Sunday, January 10, 2021
12:00 Noon**



**Gregory Funeral Service Chapel
601 North York Street
Gastonia, North Carolina**

**Reverend Ronnie C. Stinson
Officiating Minister**