

# Order of Service



## Prelude

## Invocation

Rev. Dr. Betty Crawford

## Song

## Scriptures:

Old Testament  
New Testament

Psalm 90:9-10  
John 14:1-4

Bill Crawford

Rev. Willie Jones  
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## Prayer of Comfort

Rev. Billy Starnes

## Remarks (Limit 3 minutes, please)

## Song

Major Woods

## Words of Comfort

Rev. Dr. Betty Crawford

## Recessional



## —Interment—

Trinity Unity AME Zion Church Cemetery  
Gastonia, North Carolina

# A Beautiful Life Remembered Ernestine Marie Floyd Williams 1921 – 2022

**Ernestine Marie Floyd-Williams** was born February 13, 1921, to Deliau Starnes Floyd and Robert Lee Floyd Sr. in Gastonia, North Carolina.

Ernestine was a graduate of Lincoln Academy in Gastonia North Carolina and attended North Carolina A&T State University. From 1943-1946 she was enlisted in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps. Ernestine was employed at Gaston Memorial Hospital, where she worked as a Labor and Delivery Nurse Aid. She later worked in Textile. Ernestine was a member of Trinity AME Zion Church as her home church. She later became a member of St. Michaels Catholic Church where she sang in the choir for many years.

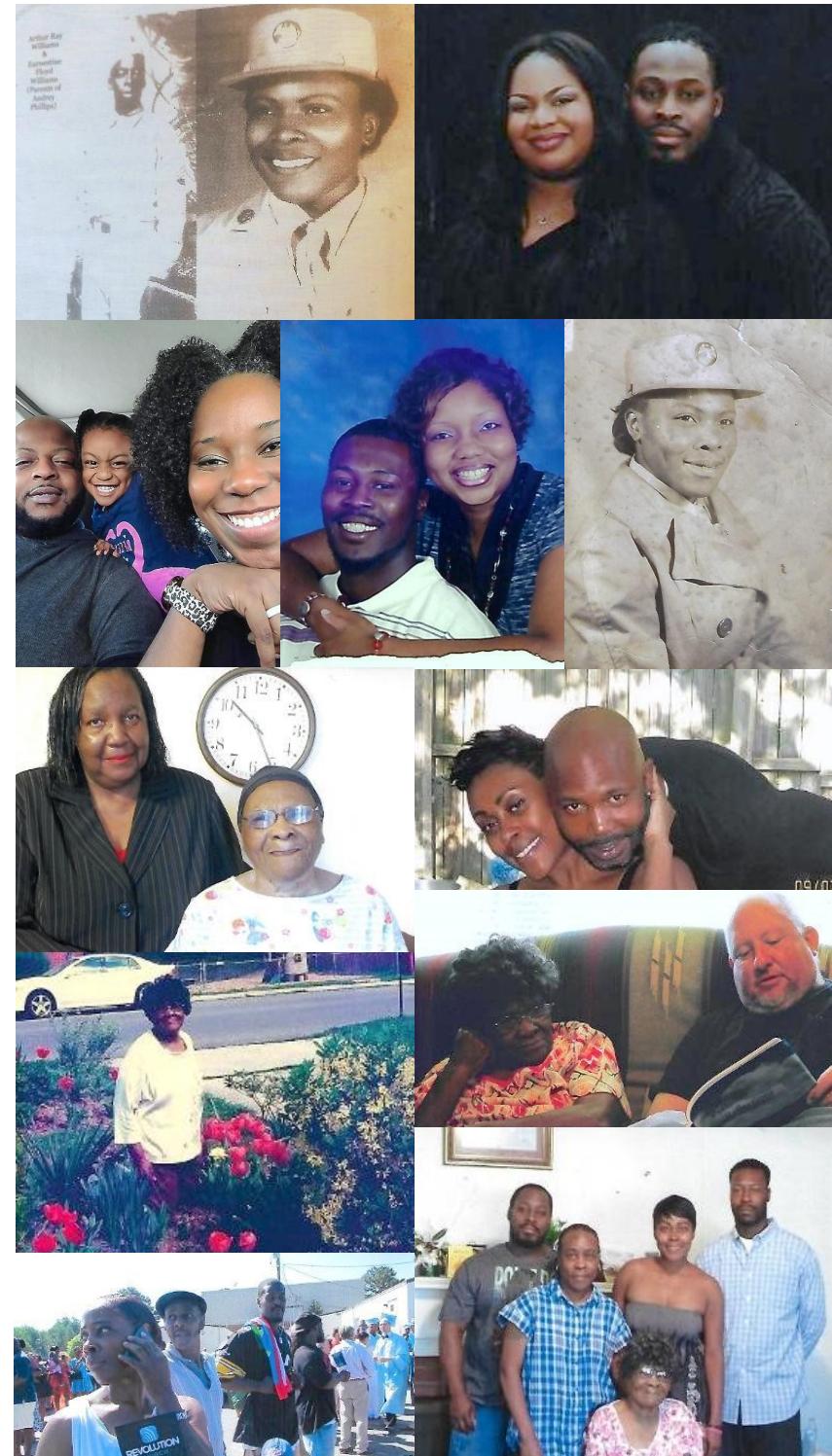
Ernestine's hobbies included fishing and traveling. She was known for her love of gardening. Ernestine's favorite trip was to Jerusalem to visit the Holy Land. Ernestine was the happiest at spending time with family.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Arthur Ray Williams Sr., son, Arthur Ray Williams Jr., brothers, Robert Lee Floyd Jr., Euless Ray Floyd, and Alton Herbert Floyd.

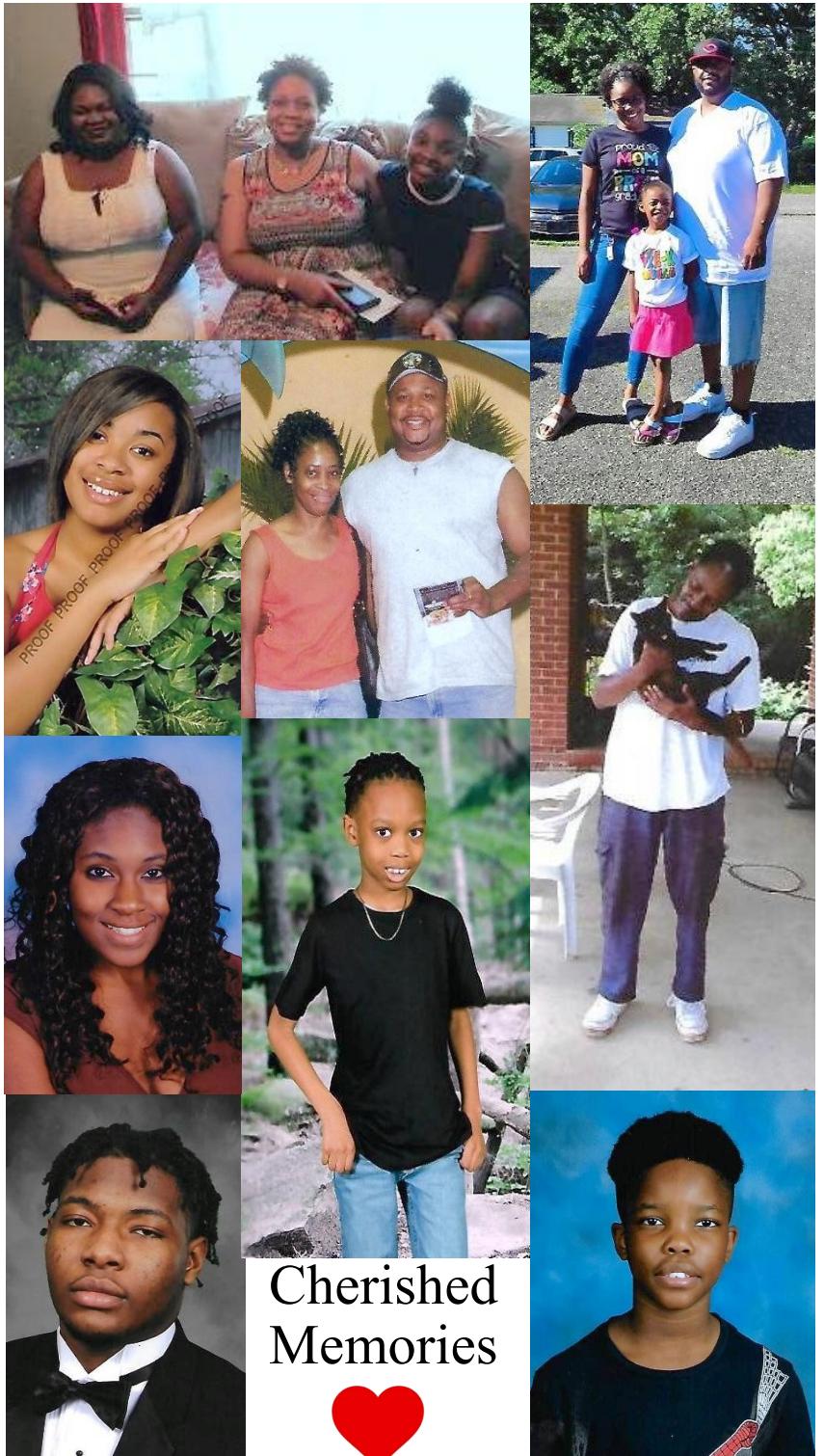
She leaves to cherish memories to her daughters, Audrey (Daniel) Tipton and Althea (Denan) Williams-Wilson; five grandchildren, six great-grandchildren; special nieces and nephews also to survive her: Kanies Hill, Brenda Carroll, Sherry Williams, and Jerry Floyd Sr. and other relatives and friends.



YOU WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED ....



# FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS



## Cherished Memories



## I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God has laid you see.  
I took His hand when I heard him call  
I turned my back and left it all.  
I could not stay another day  
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way  
I found that peace at the close of day.  
If my parting has left a void  
Then fill it with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss  
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full, I savored much  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your hearts and peace to thee  
God wanted me now; He set me free.

## Floral and Pall Bearers

Family and Friends

## Note of Thanks

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for your thoughts, prayers and acts of kindness shown during the loss of our loved one.

The Family

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# Celebrating the LIFE and LEGACY of

Mrs. Ernestine Marie Floyd Williams

February 13, 1921 - September 10, 2022



Saturday, September 17, 2022  
1:00 PM

Trinity Unity AME Zion Church

1638 Freedom Mill Road  
Gastonia, North Carolina

Reverend Anarah Henderson, Pastor  
Rev. Dr. Betty Crawford, Officiating