

Pallbearers
Family & Friends

Flower Bearers
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Acknowledgments

The family wishes to express sincere appreciation for all the prayers, phone calls, visits and many other acts of kindness shown during this time of bereavement.

-The Family of Dorothy Alston

“The song is ended, but the melody lingers on...”

“Peace I leave with you, I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

- John 14:27



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**IN LOVING
MEMORY**

**Loved by all
she touched**

**If there comes a
day where we
can't be together,
keep me in your
heart. I'll stay
there forever.**

Dorothy Hazel Alston

Dorothy Hazel Thrower Alston

A Time for Birth

On March 7, 1934, a beautiful queen was born in her family home in Wise, NC. Her birth made her the third child of the late Johnny Thrower and Cora Bell Carter Thrower. Affectionately known as "Dot" by her family and friends, she was destined to make a mark on her community.

A Time to Build Up

Dot may not have been the oldest child but her siblings often referred to her as the "bossy one". She would often demonstrate her leadership abilities within the family home by assigning tasks to her siblings. She was born into a family of farmers so there were many chores to complete. Dot loved growing up on the farm with her large family and would later share her memories with her children. Farm life was not easy for Dorothy as it would cause her to have to miss several days of school to assist her family. However, with drive and determination, Dorothy managed to obtain her High School Diploma from Warren County Training school. She took pride in her education and remained an active member of the Alumni Association.

Dorothy knew the importance of faith and she became an active member of Bethlehem Baptist Church at a young age. Bethlehem was always home for her as evidenced by her financial support when she lived in New York. Once she returned to North Carolina, Dot continued her membership with Bethlehem and served several years in the gospel choir.

A Time for Every Purpose Under the Sun

Dot enjoyed her life in North Carolina; but, she needed a change. Shortly after she completed her education she decided to move to New York City. She was joined by her future husband William (Bill) Plummer Alston, Jr.

Bill and Dot married on October 1957, and after 64 years of marriage they continued to love each other dearly. If you were to walk into their home, you would find the two of them holding hands and talking or Bill rubbing Dot's feet while they shared laughs. Their union was a model for an ideal marriage.

This union blessed Bill and Dot with five children and provided Dorothy the opportunity to be a stay at home mother. This blessing provided Dot the opportunity to shower her five children with unconditional love. Her love for them was endless and it gave her children the confidence to overcome obstacles in life. Dot had a way of making each of her children believe they were her favorite and some even thought that they were her cutest.

As a mother, she taught her young kids the importance of good manners, respect, and sound



Isaiah 41:9-18

I took you from the ends of the earth, from its farthest corners

I called you. I said, 'you are my servant'; I have chosen you

and have not rejected you. So do not fear, for I am with you;

do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you

and help you. I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Father teach us to live each day with you. Thank you for staying near us and keeping us safe.

Lord teach us so that we may understand your will for our lives.

Lord we need your help and guidance in our lives. Help us to be humble and seek to overcome our mistakes.

Lead us in the direction we should go, in Jesus name. We pray for more power to increase our faith. We are so grateful for our blessings. Father we come asking for forgiveness of our sins and all the wrong we have done. In Jesus name we come. ~ A prayer by Dorothy Alston

A Lifetime of Love



Order of Service

September 19, 2021

Prelude

Processional

Musical Tribute

Scripture

Prayer of Comfort

Musical Tribute

Acknowledgement of Condolences

Obituary

Musical Tribute

Eulogy

Recessional

Postlude

Philippians 4:7

And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Surrounded By Love



moral values which they carried with them into their adult lives. As a homemaker, Dot was often found in her sewing room making beautiful outfits. She also enjoyed knitting, crocheting, and gardening. Dot's talents didn't stop there; she was also good with electrical tools, carpentry and repairing things around the house. She was a woman of many talents.

Dot was also a teacher, and she made sure that her children and grandchildren obtained a good education. Education was not optional and Dorothy would remind her kids to "do your lesson". Dot not only expressed the importance of a formal education, she also expressed the importance of faith and respect. Dot brought her children up in the word of God where church was not optional. Also, if you spent time within her home, you knew that respect was expected at all times. Her nieces and nephews knew that if they came over to Aunt Dot's house, they were expected to show respect. (Aunt Dot was the spanking aunt, she do not play).

A Time to Transition

Dorothy spent many years of her life caring for other family members. She left her mark on every person she encountered. She was a leader, a giver, a queen. She gave of herself requiring nothing in return.

On Tuesday, September 13, 2021 Dot transitioned into eternity. She was proceeded in death by her father Johnny Thrower, mother Cora Thrower, and sister Lucille Towns.

A Time to Mourn

Dorothy leaves behind to cherish her memory: her loving husband William P. Alston, Jr.

Five children: Ronnie Alston, Francine Alston, Quentin Alston, Jeffrey (Martha) Alston, Zaneta Boyd, (God Daughter) Artelia "Tootie" Lyons.

Eight grandchildren: Amy (Derek) Davis, Zaneta "Nikki" (Calvin) Allen, Jessica Alston, Kevin Alston, Bria Yates, Quencyln Alston, Justin Boyd, Mone'e Boyd.

Four great-grandchildren: Samaria Davis, Simone Davis, Amare Davis, Brooklyn Alston

Three brothers: Lee (Pat) Thrower, Claudine (Jessie) Robinson, Willie "Junior" Thrower.

Three sisters: Geraldine (John) Hargrove, Cora Eva (James) Boyd, and Veronica (Don) Pickett. Two brother in-laws: James (Rose) Alston and James Garner. One sister in-law: Freda Alston. Also a host of uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends

