



## Grandma,

*I'm in tears right now, but you always told me that crying is a sign of healing and in your words "it will get better." We usually talk everyday, but since you're in Heaven, now I have so many questions about your first day there. How did it feel knowing that Jesus (the man you loved, praised and taught me so much about) is there right before your eyes. I'm wondering if you were gasping in awe and disbelief like "man, this is really happening!?" The moment you lived for your entire life, you're finally living in it. I know the look on his face was a look of satisfaction as he screamed both "well done and welcome home!" I wonder if his welcoming was as warm, loving, friendly and healing as you imagined it would be, unlike any other you've known—safe and secure. Did his hug feel like it lasted an eternity? When we both know it actually could. I want to know how it felt walking hand in hand with your Savior through Heaven in that great paradise that I heard so much about. You loved surprises and I know he gave you the biggest surprise ever with that welcoming party filled with your loved ones he saved and brought in before you. I love you like no other and even though I'm saddened by the fact that I won't be able to see you for a while, I'm happy knowing that you finally got what you lived for the most...Salvation!*

*Love your grandson,  
Darrien Brown*



### Arrangements Entrusted to:

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## CELEBRATION OF LIFE CEREMONY



*Mrs. Mary Ann Davis  
Canty*

SUNRISE: JANUARY 24, 1960

SUNSET: APRIL 8, 2020

MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2020 AT 1:00 PM

*Holy Deliverance Cemetery*

VANCE, SOUTH CAROLINA

EVANGELIST RONALD POOSER, OFFICIATING



## *Order of Service*

*Prayer*  
*Evangelist Joseph King*

*Scripture Readings*  
*Apostle Katie Little*

*Solo*  
*Minister Keith*

*Remarks*  
*Quintilla Brown*

*Words of Comfort*  
*Evangelist Ronal Pooser*



## *Acknowledgements*

*The family of the late Mrs. Mary Ann Davis Canty would like to extend our sincere gratitude for the support and acts of kindness shown to us during our time of bereavement. May God bless each of you in a very special way.*

*The Family*



## *Reflection of Life*

*Mary Ann Davis Canty was born in Vance, South Carolina on January 24, 1960. She was the daughter of the late Johnny Lee Davis and Elease Davis. She was called home to be with her Lord and Savior on Wednesday, April 8, 2020.*

*Mary Ann accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior in 1994 at Eutawville Holy Deliverance Center under pastorage of Hinson Sr. and Janie Pooser, where she served faithfully until her heavenly transition. Mary often described this as the most significant time of her life, recalling the moment when Reverend Pooser told her that her life will get "better and better and better."*

*With her new life in Christ, Mary Ann went from being a bus driver (which she loved) with only a GED, to earning a Masters Degree in education and realizing a dream that she had long thought was out of her reach, becoming a teacher. Mary Ann went on to teach at Clarendon School District One for 14 years and was currently teaching at Felton Laboratory Charter School. Mary Ann truly enjoyed working with her students and was known for always reaching out to the neediest students and offering extra tutoring, an encouraging word, or even a weekend away from a tough home situation to enjoy quality time with her own grandchildren, where she made them feel like one of the family.*

*Mary Ann leaves to cherish her loving memories, her husband, John Canty; six children: Latasha (Elko) Brown, John (Cherry) Davis, Anthony (Tamica), Jonas, Shiniki, and Byron; one stepson, Anthony (Rayneish) Olin; three adopted children Katrina( Todd) Harr, Vincent Thompson and Lindsay Gilyard; 12 beloved grandsons who enjoyed talking about their life plans and screaming at a good football game with their grandma; nine sweet granddaughters who enjoyed keeping her up on the latest trends (TikTok), clothes, and make-up and indulging in her love for hair makeup and all things fashion; five sisters: Geraldine Randolph, Patricia Taylor, Maebelle (Joseph) King, Eloise Davis and Cassie Davis; two brothers: Johnny (Michelle) Davis and Ricky Davis; a host of nieces and nephews, who she loved as if they were her own; and countless cousins and friends that she truly loved to life.*