

Order of Service

Rev. Joe Shuford, Officiating
Rev. Dale Gibson, Eulogy

Processional

Prelude

Receiving of Family & Friends 1:00 PM- 2:00 PM

Call to Worship Rev. Joe Shuford

Invocation

Opening Hymn Choir

Scripture Readings

Old Testament
New Testament

Pastor
Pastor

Prayer of Comfort

Pastor

Selection Choir

Remarks *(please limit to two minutes)*

Acknowledgements *(Commemorative)*

The Obituary *(soft music)*

Selection Choir

Eulogy Rev. Dale Gibson

Song of Triumph/Recessional



Committal/Interment
Pleasant Grove Church Cemetery
Claremont, North Carolina

Life Reflections

Mrs. Helen Bernadette Kennedy Powell (Dette), daughter of the late Eddie Kennedy Sr. and Helen Flowers Kennedy was born September 24, 1950 in Catawba County, North Carolina. She transitioned this life unexpectedly on Friday, March 5, 2021 at the age of 70 at Wake Forest Hospital in Winston Salem, North Carolina.

In her formative years, Dette attended Catawba Rosenwald School. She enjoyed singing in the “Glee Club” under the direction of Mrs. Marion Lewis. She looked forward to working the concession stand to raise money for the Glee Club. She was a 1968 graduate of Bunker Hill High School. She worked many years at Boise Cascade (International Paper). In 1992 she married her sweetheart Robert Eugene Powell.

Dette was a lifelong member of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church. She served as a deaconess and on the kitchen committee. She especially enjoyed working in the kitchen where she cooked and served her wonderful homemade dishes. She also enjoyed her fruits and vegetables being home grown, right from the garden, where she would “put them up”. She made her own special chow chow and jelly and shared the fruit of her labor with others. She had a heart for the elderly. She would stop by different households and bless them with a meal, some produce and a pleasant visit. Camp meeting won’t be the same. She still looked forward to tenting each year, but this past year Covid-19 changed plans for all of us.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Eddie Kennedy Jr., a sister, Cynthia Kennedy Martin and a nephew Trevor Kennedy.

She leaves a legacy of love and cherished memories to her husband Robert Eugene Powell of the home; daughter Shone (Derrick) Williams of McLeansville, NC; step-daughters Robin (Donald) Powell-Brooks; Gwendolyn (Larry) Jack; Pamela Powell, all of California; granddaughter Mikhaila-Caitlin (Mikki) of McLeansville, NC; brother

Jerry Flowers of Catawba, NC; sister Glenda Ijames of Statesville, NC; aunt Shirley Martin of Statesville, N.C., and a host of other relatives and friends.



Fallen Limb

*A limb has fallen
from the family tree.*

I keep hearing a voice that says, "Grieve not for me."

*Remember the best times,
the laughter, the song.*

The good life I lived while I was strong.

Continue my heritage, I'm counting on you.

*Keep smiling and surely
the sun will shine through.*

My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest.

Remembering all, how I truly was blessed.

Continue traditions, no matter how small.

Go on with your life, don't worry about falls.

I miss you all dearly, so keep up your chin.

*Until the day comes
we're together again.*



God Saw You

God saw you getting tired,
When a cure was not to be.
So He wrapped his arms around you,
and whispered, "Come to me".
You didn't deserve what you went through,
So He gave you rest.
God's garden must be beautiful,
He only takes the best
And when I saw you sleeping,
So peaceful and free from pain
I could not wish you back
To suffer that again.



Acknowledgements

With deep appreciation and gratitude, we wish to express
our sincere thanks to the many family and friends for
expressions of kindness shown during the
loss of our beloved Dette.

"Due to Covid-19, there will be no repast at the home
after service. May God bless you!"

The Family



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A Celebration of Life

Mrs. Helen Bernadette Kennedy Powell
"Dette"



A Gift Given
September 24, 1950

A Gift Returned
March 5, 2021

Tuesday, March 16, 2021
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church
Claremont, North Carolina
Rev. Joe Shuford, Pastor

Rev. Dale Gibson, Pastor
Chestnut Grove Baptist Church
Statesville, North Carolina