

*In Loving Memory
of
Ellen H. Leak*

July 13, 1939

December 2, 2017



*Thursday, December 7, 2017
1:00 PM*

*C. A. Haywood, Sr. Memorial Chapel
2415 S. Wilmington Street
Raleigh, North Carolina*

*Reverend A. E. Matthews, Pastor
St. Amanda Baptist Church
Garner, NC
Officiating*

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE *Silver and Gold*

PROCESSIONAL Clergy & Family

MOMENTS OF VISITATION

12:30 PM - 1:00 PM

OPENING HYMN *One Day at a Time* Darryl Williams

SCRIPTURE Rev. A. E. Matthews

NEW TESTAMENT *John 14:1-3*

NEW TESTAMENT *2 Tim. 4:6-8*

PRAYER OF COMFORT Rev. A. E. Matthews

SELECTION *Be Encouraged* Darryl Williams

OBITUARY Please Read Silently

SELECTION *His Eye Is On* Darryl Williams
The Sparrow

EULOGY Rev. A. E. Matthews

RECESSIONAL

THE OBITUARY

Ellen Hattie Leak, oldest daughter to the late Geneva Bennett and Isaac Stradford, was born on July 13, 1939 and passed away on December 2, 2017. She was preceded in death also by her husband, James Leak, her son, Odell Hines, Jr., her great-granddaughter, Rashanna Brown, her brothers, Robert Boyd and Isaac Stradford, Jr., and her brother-in-law, Ingram Jenkins.

Ellen was born in Camden, SC and moved to New York at an early age where she graduated from Washington Irving High School. She later became an LPN for the State of New Jersey and worked for Somerset Medical Center where she retired after thirty-three years of service.

Ellen is known to family and friends as a proud woman with a strong work ethic. Her personality and generous words of wisdom always resonated with those she came in contact.

She leaves to cherish her precious memories, her loving daughter, Medeas Smith (Ashley); two sisters, Mamie Crews (Edward) and Della Jenkins; a brother, Bluff Boyd, Jr.; a granddaughter, Tashera Brown; a grandson, Raleek Brown; and a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and other relatives and friends.

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free, I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took his hand when I heard his 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've found that peace at the end of the day.
If my parting has left a void, then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, ah, yes, these things too I 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 heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free.*



ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family sincerely appreciates each of you for the many acts of kindness and love shown through your words of comfort, support, and encouragement and your cards and calls during the illness and passing of our loved one. We shall never forget you and shall always keep you in our prayers. God bless you!

-The Family-



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