

*To Those Whom I Love
&
Those Who Love Me
Ardis Marletta*

*When I am gone, release me, let me go.
I have so many things to see and do,
You mustn't tie yourself to me with too many tears,
But be thankful we had so many good years.*

*I gave you my love, and you can only guess
How much you've given me in happiness.
I thank you for the love that you have shown,
But now it is time I traveled on alone.*

*So grieve for me a while, if grieve you must,
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It is only for a while that we must part,
So treasure the memories within your heart.*

*I won't be far away for life goes on.
And if you need me, call and I will come.*

*Though you can't see or touch me, I will be near.
And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear,
All my love around you soft and clear.*

*And then, when you come this way alone,
I'll greet you with a smile and a 'Welcome Home'.*



*Ballbearers
Nephews*

*Flower Girls
Nieces*

Acknowledgements

The family wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for your expressions of love, sympathy, and kindness during the home going of our loved one.

Interment

Roselawn Memorial Gardens

Repast

Immediately following Interment
at
Abner Baptist



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**Celebration of Life
for**

Margaret S. Gordon



Sunrise
July 25, 1926

Sunset
May 6, 2018

Friday, May 11, 2018

12:00pm

**Abner Baptist Church
Glen Allen, VA 23059**

Pastor Jaimal C. Hayes

Celebration of Life

Margaret S. Gordon heard the Masters call on May 6, 2018. She peacefully and sweetly took her last breath in the comfort of her daughters care.

Margaret was born July 25, 1926, in Hanover County VA to the late Anderson Smith and Willinora Smith. Margaret was preceded in death by her loving husband of 70 years William C. Gordon, daughter Joyce Darlean Gordon and siblings Claudcey Smith, Catherine Smith, James Smith, Mack V. Smith and Mary Bunche.

Margaret was educated at an early age in Hanover County schools. When her older brother decided to better her education she moved to and attended school in Newhaven Connecticut. She moved back to Virginia in her high school years, where she attended Maggie L. Walker High School. In 1946 she was crowned Miss Walker, an accomplishment she was very proud of to this very day. In 1947 she married the love of her life William C. Gordon. Margaret longed to have children, but was never able to...so instead with a heart this BIG she adopted a son and 2 daughters. Margaret worked in various fields in her early years and enjoyed a small modeling career for J Alden, Montaldos and the Hat Factory; in an era where there were very few models of color in Richmond. It was in 1984, she found her true calling as a Dialysis nurse at Richmond Memorial Hospital, where she worked until she retired.

She accepted Christ as her Savior at an early age and joined Bethany Baptist Church, after marriage she joined Abner Baptist Church. At Abner she served on the Usher Board, Hospitality committee, and in her later years she became a Deaconess where she served for many years until her health began to fail.

Margaret Gordon was all about family, she always gave and helped wherever it was needed. She spoke her mind, she opened her home to all with shelter, a good meal and an even better story. Mother to all the neighborhood kids, her backyard was full most days. She had a style and sass like no other and loved her hats, pearls and beads. Most of all Margaret Gordon love the Lord.

She leaves to cherish her memory a very devoted daughter Vonda K. Gordon. Honorary Granddaughters Reverend Louise Faulkner and Marie Mines. A very loving and devoted cousin Janis Foster. A loving and devoted Care Team Kim Wood, Barbara Whitaker, Angel Laidley and Delmont Scott who we would not have survived this journey without. Along with a host of nieces, nephews, adopted daughters and sons, other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

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| Musical Prelude | |
| Processional | |
| Opening Hymn | Hold to His Hand |
| Scripture Reading | |
| Old Testament | Proverbs 13: 13-18 Deacon Earnest Harris, Sr. |
| New Testament | 1 Corinthians 15: 50-58 Rev Louise Faulkner |
| Prayer of Comfort | Rev Myron Davis |
| Selection | “Trust Me”Tribute |
| Acknowledgement & Obituary | Church Clerk |
| Family Reflections | |
| Selection | “Stand”Tribute |
| The Eulogy | Rev Jaimal C. Hayes |
| Recessional | “Going Up Yonder”Congregation |

Memories

