



PALLBEARERS

Jamal Ellis Tyler Howard
 John Ellis Kurt Oates
 Parrish Ellis Marcus Smith

FLOWER ATTENDANTS

Cousins and Friends

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family of Greta Renee Oates would like to express our deepest gratitude for your condolences during our time of bereavement. Thank you for your love and support. Your prayers, phone calls, cards, food and any gestures rendered to us is greatly appreciated. May the love of God be with each of you is our prayer.

THE FAMILY

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Celebrating the Life of



Greta Renee Oates

May 20, 1964 - January 1, 2025

Tuesday, January 7, 2025
11:00 AM

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 FORT VALLEY, GEORGIA 31030

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REMEMBERING GRETA

Greta Renee Oates, was born on May 20, 1964 in Fort Valley, Georgia, to the parents of Willie James Jones and Wizzerlean McFarland. She was a product of the Peach County school system's graduating Class of 1982. To further her education, she attended Middle Georgia Technical College where she received her degree in Medical Billing and Coding.

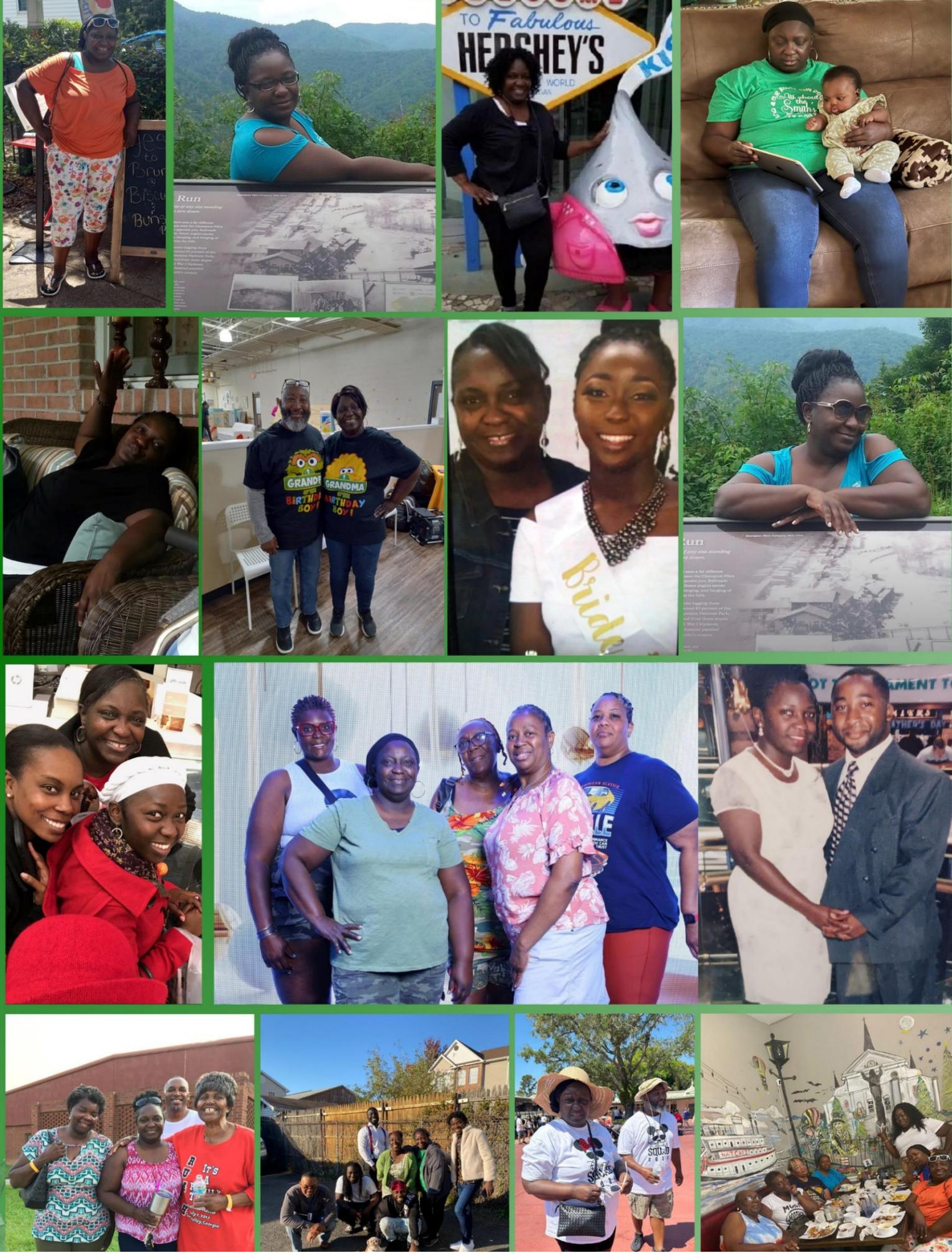
Shortly after graduating from Peach County High School, Greta married the love of her life, Ulysses Oates, Jr. and together they had two children.

Greta's passion was doing hair and she fulfilled that dream by becoming a licensed cosmetologist and owner of "Greta's Hair Corral", located in Fort Valley, Georgia.

When Greta wasn't working, she enjoyed spending time by traveling with both her family and her friends. As she grew older in life, she learned that she had step siblings to include 16 sisters and brothers. Greta also loved doing word puzzles, arts and crafts, decorating for events and spending time with her grand kids.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Wizzerlean McFarland and grandmother, Florence Smith.

Greta leaves to cherish her memory, her husband, Ulysses Oates, Jr., father, Willie James Jones; children: Denesha Oates-King (Christopher) and Devon Oates; sister: Linnea McFarland, New Jersey a bonus sister, Samantha Everett, Macon, Georgia; brother: Christopher McFarland, New Jersey and 16 step sisters and brothers; grandchildren: Leilani Oates, Fort Valley, GA; Khari King and Arya King, Hawkinsville, GA; aunt, Neddie Harden; uncle, Andrew Smith, Fort Valley, GA; along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.



IF ROSES GROW IN HEAVEN

If Roses grow in Heaven
Lord, please pick a bunch for me.
Place them in my Mother's arms
and tell her they're from me.
Tell her that I love her and miss her,
and when she turns to smile,
place a kiss upon her cheek
and hold her for a while.
Because remembering her is easy,
I do it every day,
but there's an ache within my heart
that will never go away.

– Unknown Author

PASTOR DEXTER DAVIS, OFFICIATING

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL

MUSICAL SELECTION

Minister Dexter Davis

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament.....Sister Fredena Hill
New Testament...Sister Sharon Lewis

PRAYER

Pastor Derrell McIntosh
Green Grove Baptist Church, Elko GA

MUSICAL SELECTION

Minister Dexter Davis

EULOGY

Pastor Dexter Davis
Growing In Unity Together Ministries, Perry, GA

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