



In Our Hearts

We thought of you with love today,
But that is nothing new.
We thought about you yesterday,
And days before that too.

We think of you in silence,
We often speak your name;
All we have now are memories,
And your picture in a frame.

Your memory is our keepsake,
With which we will never part;
God has you in his keep,
We have you in our heart.

It broke our heart to lose you.
But you didn't go alone,
For a part of us went with you...
The day God took you home.

**Your Loving Daughter,
Lizzie Mae Hayes**



Pallbearers

Family & Friends

Flower Bearers

Family & Friends



Acknowledgement

We, the family of the late **Mrs. Alberta Blanding Bennett**, would like to thank each and every one of you for the many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy shown to us during the passing of our loved one. From the cards, the flowers, the telephone calls, the food, the home visits, your concerns, and your prayers; we say thank you!
May God richly bless each of you.

Special acknowledgments to the nurses of Amedysis Hospice Care and nurse Tyler Seegar, Carl and Angela Johnson, Amcor Rigid of Blythewood, South Carolina, Composite Lodge 372, The Love Doctors of Sumter, South Carolina and New Jerusalem Church family.

"Honoring Memories, Celebrating Life!"



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*Homegoing Celebration
for*

Mrs. Alberta

Blanding Bennett

January 2, 1928 ~ July 20, 2026



Sunday, July 26, 2026 • 1:00 p.m.

High Hill Baptist Church

849 Watts Hill Road
Lugoff, South Carolina 29078

Reverend David Stratford, III, Officiating Pastor

Life's Reflections

Remembering Alberta...

Order of Service

Reverend David Stratford, III Presiding

MRS. ALBERTA BLANDING BENNETT entered into eternal rest on Monday, July 20, 2026 at home surrounded by loved ones. She was born January 2, 1928, she was the daughter of the late Beauregard Sr. and Carrie Blanding. She was married to the late Willie Joseph Bennett, Sr. until his death in 1971.

Alberta received her education in the Kershaw County public school system. She was a domesticated worker, worked for the Kershaw County School system, housekeeping at the Holiday Inn, in Lugoff, South Carolina.

Alberta began her Christian journey at Mt. Prospect United Methodist Church of Lugoff, South Carolina. After marriage, she moved her membership to High Hill Baptist Church of Lugoff, South Carolina, where she became the oldest mother of the church until her death.

Alberta opened her home to a multitude of children in her community because she loved taking care of children. In her free time, Alberta loved gardening, bowling, word search, jigsaw puzzles, canning, and cooking for the community.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Willie Joseph Bennett Sr.; her parents, Beauregard Sr. and Carrie Blanding; one son, Larry Leroy Blanding; two grandchildren and one great grandchild; three brothers, Beauregard, Alexander, and Malaou Blanding; three sisters, Byzillar Howell, Simmlean Jones, and Elizabeth Jones.

Two days after her passing, her only surviving sister, Flossie Ruth Williams, passed away.

Alberta leaves to cherish her fond memories: her children, Willene Bennett of the home, Lizzie Mae Hayes of Camden, South Carolina, Mattie Ruth Williams of Charlotte, North Carolina, Leslie Ralph (Kesha) Blanding of Charlotte, North Carolina, Willie Joseph, Jr. (Nora) Bennett, and Charles Edward (Barbara) Bennett, both of Lugoff, South Carolina and Anthony Blanding (La-tice) Bennett, Sr. of Elgin, South Carolina; two sisters-in-law, Eunice Samuel of Lugoff, South Carolina and Eartha (Will) White of White Plains, New York; nineteen grandchildren, thirty-five great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild which is the fifth generation, Dai'Drian Antrell Bennett; a host of nieces, nephews cousins and many friends.

Alberta raised three additional children in her home: Glenda Lawson, Thomas Cantey, Jr. and Rosa Seawright.



- PRELUDE
- PROCESSIONAL Family and Clergy
- OPENING SELECTIONHigh Hill Combined Choir
- PRAYER.....Pastor Telecia Rand
- SCRIPTURE READINGS
 - OLD TESTAMENT Elder William Gary
 - NEW TESTAMENT Evangelist Kathy Gary
- MUSICAL SELECTION Joey Bennett
- POEM..... Lizzie Mae Hayes
- REMARKS..... Deacon Andrew Lee
(Limit 3 minutes, please) Maggie Davis
Frank Gains
- SOLO.....Carl Johnson
- REMARKS (continued) Rosa Seawright
Peggy Ellerby
Willene and Anthony Bennett, Sr.
- SELECTION La-tice Bennett
- ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.....Sister Annette Stratford
- TRIBUTE..... Grandchildren
- MUSICAL SELECTIONHigh Hill Male Chorus
- WORDS OF COMFORTReverend David Stratford, III

RECESSIONAL
INTERMENT

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COMMITTAL, CLOSING PRAYER &
BENEDICTION