



OBITUARY

Earline Reed-Peterson was born in Camden, SC to the late Mrs. Sara Brown Richards and the late Mr. Randolph Richards, Sr. on April 22, 1940. She attended Jackson High School where she met and made life-long friends. After high school, Earline embarked on a singing career with her brothers Norman and Isaac, and close friends. She took on the name 'Teresa Blake' as her stage name, and recorded several songs including "I Quit My Knocking", and other great hits. The band played alongside greats like Bobby Blue Bland, Otis Redding (scheduled), and others. They were also scheduled to perform at the Appollo Theater as the professional guest act.

Earline later moved to the North to start and raise her family. There, she received Christ as her Savior and became heavily involved in the Church throughout the rest of her life. She never stopped singing as she was a member of the choir, served on the usher board and care ministries, and was a Deaconess. She also enjoyed hobbies such as baking and sewing.


Earline furthered her career by owning and operating two dry cleaners in the North, for many years. In 1984, she returned to the South where she continued her involvement in ministry. After her retirement, she decided to enter the medical field. She received her CNA Certification and went on to work for Piedmont Hospital.

She retired once again, and lived a leisurely and prosperous life. She loved her grands and got to meet her great grands. She was a part of a social group of best friends who called themselves "The Over the Hill Gang": A group of retired women who dined and traveled.

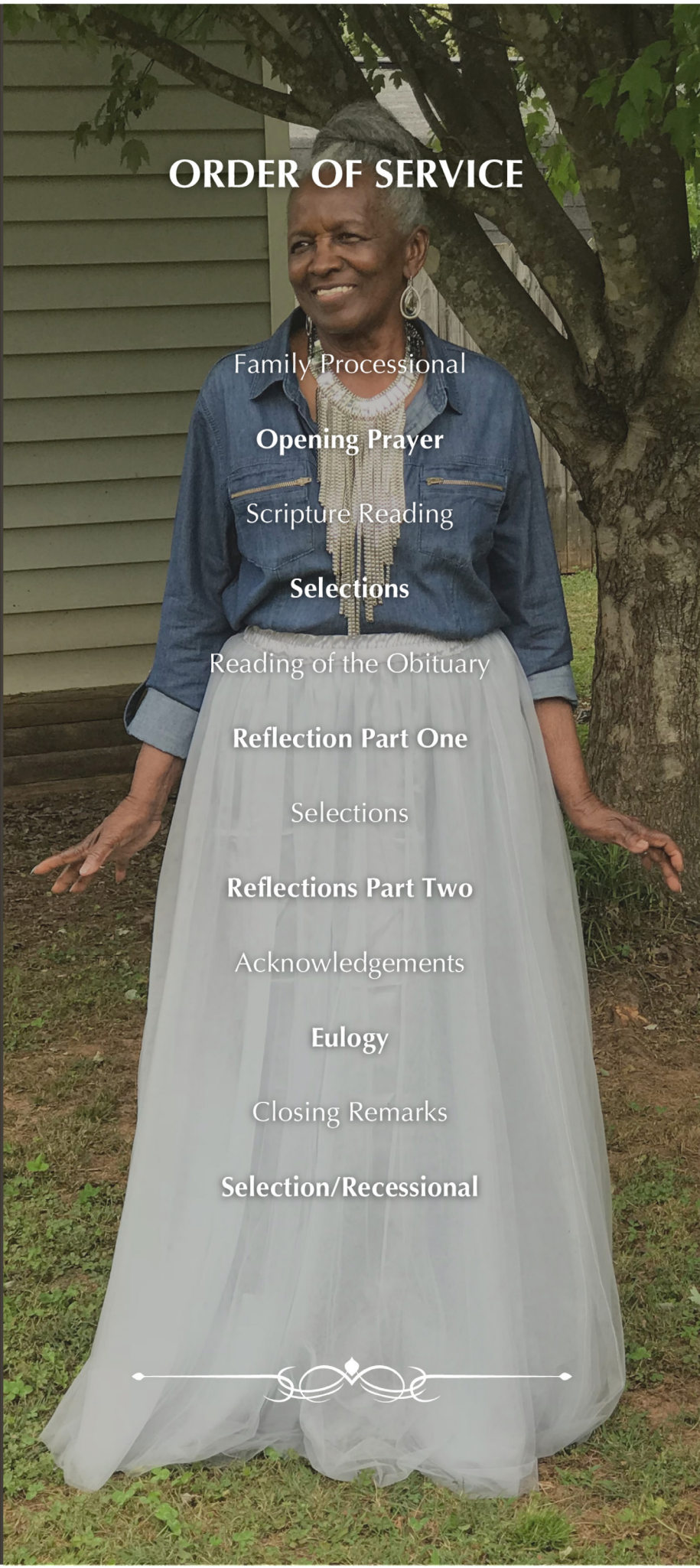
Earline was one of eleven children. She is survived by one sister, Ms. Jesse Mae Richards. Her last request was to be buried in Camden alongside her parents and siblings. We are honored to have fulfilled that request.

Earline is preceded in death by her husband, Charles Peterson, Sr., her son, Boyce Reed, Jr., and daughter, Vakethia Reed-Williams. She is survived by her daughter's Velvet Reed, Violet Reed-Sanders, and Valencia Reed-Delk (Richard Delk), her sister, Jesse Mae Richards, and a host of grands and great-grands.

You did well, Mom. Now take your rest. We got it from here.



ORDER OF SERVICE



Family Processional

Opening Prayer

Scripture Reading

Selections

Reading of the Obituary

Reflection Part One

Selections


Reflections Part Two

Acknowledgements

Eulogy

Closing Remarks

Selection/Recessional





A PLACE CALLED HEAVEN

I have a place that waits for me
 A place I love, called Calvary
 Where angels sing and rejoice all day
 And children laugh, run and play.
 Here the Masters holds my hand
 As we walk through Heavens land.
 This is the place Ive dreamed of for so long
 So beautiful, so heavenly like the angels song.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family of Earline Peterson would like to thank Dr. Rev. Norman A. Brown and the Camden First United Methodist Church for their hospitality. Pastor Eddie Moore and the St. John Baptist Church. Collins Funeral Home. We would like to thank all singers, musicians and caterers. May God forever smile upon all of you!



Homegoing CELEBRATION OF



*Earline
 Reed-Peterson*

APRIL 22, 1940 - FEBRUARY 26, 2026

MARCH 9TH, 2026 | 12:00 P.M.
 CAMDEN FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH