

## *Acknowledgement*

The family of Vernie B. Easterling would like to offer our heartfelt thanks to all of our family and friends who have given and supported us with so much love and prayers through our grieving process and through such a difficult time. We thank God for each and every one of you. We sincerely appreciate all condolences, flowers, and gifts. Our mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, cousin, and or friend will definitely be missed, but she'll always be with us in spirit. May God bless and keep you all. Love the Easterling Family,

## *The Life*

*Life is just a stepping-stone; A pause before we make it home.*

*A simple place to rest and be; Until we reach eternity...*

*Everyone has a life journey; A path to take with lots to see.*

*God guides our steps along the way; But we were never meant to stay...*

*Our final destination is a place; Filled with love, HIS majesty and grace...*

*Today we celebrate the life of our mom; Who has gone before us the race she traveled and has won.*

*Her journey has now ended and her spirit has ascended.*

*Claiming the great reward; With Jesus, Our Savior and Lord.*

*We Love You Mom Forever...AMEN!*

## *Pallbearers*

Warner Williams III   Demetrius Williams   Warner Williams IV   Billy Washington   Lamar Byrd  
Dominiek Trimble   Kenneth Trimble   Timmy Easterling, Jr.   Terry Washington   G. Billings

## *Honorary Pallbearers*

Willie J. Harris   Eddie Byrd   Edward Collins   Ernest Collins   Patrick Lewis   Tracy Brown

Flower bearer -   Family and Friends

**Charge of Service** - Walker Funeral Home  
1025 E. McMillan Street - Cincinnati, OH 45206

*Program by: Diana Williams-Harris*

# In Loving Memory of



## Vernie Bell Easterling

**JULY 30, 1929 - MAY 1, 2016**

**FUNERAL SERVICE**

**MONDAY, MAY 9, 2016**

**VISITATION: 11:00 AM.....SERVICE: 12:00 NOON**

**GREATER CANAAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

7181 READING ROAD - CINCINNATI, OHIO 45237

**PASTOR: L. BRADLEY**

# Obituary

**Vernie Bell Easterling**, known as Vonnie was a wonderful mother and grandmother to her children and grandchildren. She was an amazing and compassionate woman. She was committed to her Christian faith until she became ill and departed this life on Sunday, May 1, 2016 at 3:40 p.m., surrounded by her devoted love ones.

**Vernie** was the ninth child born to Vernon Collins-Jackson and Dora Jackson of Shivers, Mississippi on July 30, 1929.

**In** 1944 she met and married Wallace Easterling, Sr. and to that union six children were born: Maggie, John Henry, Wallace Jr., J.L., Jerry Lee, and Diana; both John Henry and Jerry Lee Easterling (Alice) were preceded in death.

**Vernie** began her career as a beautician by beautifying the young ladies in her hometown. She traveled North with her husband and other family members where she settled in Cincinnati, Ohio. Vernie continued her profession as a cosmetologist, but later found another career as a Supervisor of Labor at the Cincinnati Club. In 1975, her career ended as she was severely injured on the job causing her to be compressed with serious health complications. But that didn't stop her! She cooked for children in the neighborhood and made sure they had a place to eat and sleep. She was a member of New Zion Baptist Church under the pastor ship of the late Reverend Davis, then the late Evangelist Gertrude Davis. She later joined Pleasant Hill Baptist church where she attended faithfully and served on the mother board for many years until her health declined. She was no longer able to walk or climb the stairs of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church and decided to join Second Unity Baptist Church under the leadership of her godson, Pastor Donald (Yvonne) Dixon.

**Vernie** leaves to mourn in her passing: Two daughters, Maggie Washington, Diana (Willie James) Harris, two sons, Wallace Jr. (Roberta), J.L. (Gail - deceased), all of Cincinnati, Ohio; One brother, M.C. Jackson (Chicago, IL), 16 grandchildren: Janie (Eddie), Billy, Terry(Gigi), Timothy(Tasha), Samuel(Glenna), Laura, Trina, Yvonnda, Warner IV, Demetrius, MyKala, Donte, DeAngelo, Nasir, Pachel, Kaleb; 18 great-grand, 7 great-great grand and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. Preceded in death are: husband, 2 sons, 1 granddaughter, 1 great-great-grand daughter, mother, father, 7 sisters, 1 brother; number of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

**Vernie** loved and cared for the following families: The Lewis, Tombs, Williams, Moore, Brown, Johnson, Pringle, Carlton, Dixon, and Ronnie Harris.

*"I waited patiently for the Lord and He inclined unto me and heard my cry.." ~Psalms 40:1*

Special Thanks to the Hospice of Cincinnati (Vicki, Chelsey, Linda, Denise, Timmy, Christina) for being dedicated, caring, and loyal to your patients and their family.

# The Order of Service

<i>Procession of the family</i>	<i>Musician</i>
<i>Parting of the Family</i>	<i>The Family</i>
<i>Prayer of Comfort</i>	<i>Elder Willie Collins</i>
<i>Scripture Reading</i>	<i>Pastor, Timothy Easterling, Sr.</i>
	<i>(Zion Global Ministry)</i>
	<i>Pastor, Donald Dixon</i>
	<i>(Second Unity Baptist Church)</i>
	<i>Pastor, Richard Cole</i>
	<i>(Pleasant Hill Missionary Baptist Church)</i>
<i>Selection</i>	<i>Sis. Arnice Smith</i>
<i>Poem</i>	<i>Linda Lewis</i>
<i>Acknowledgement of Cards &amp; Condolences .....</i>	
<i>Words of Expression</i>	<i>Family and Friends</i>
<i>(2 minutes - please honor)</i>	
<i>Reading of the Obituary</i>	
<i>(Silently and Reflection of "Vernie B. Easterling's" Loving Journey)</i>	
<i>Selection</i>	<i>Choir/Sis. Arnice Smith</i>
<i>Eulogy</i>	<i>Pastor Donald Dixon/Pastor Timothy Easterling, Jr.</i>
<i>Benediction</i>	<i>Pastor Donald Dixon</i>
<i>Recessional</i>	<i>Pastor Donald Dixon</i>

**INTERMENT: SPRING GROVE CEMETERY**

**REPEAT: Canaan Missionary Baptist Church - 7181 Reading Road**