

THE ESSENCE OF HER LIFE

“She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.”

Bertha Mae Hannibal, also known as Betty, was born on February 20, 1945, to the late Cecil Marche and Willie Mae Anderson. After a lengthy illness, Bertha departed this life on Thursday, July 16, 2026, for a better place where there is no more pain and suffering.

Bertha was educated in the public school system of Lee County and was a proud graduate of Dennis High School, class of 1963. She was employed with Burlington Industries for over thirty years, until she retired.

Bertha was united in marriage to the late Levi Hannibal, and to this union, a son and two daughters were born.

Bertha accepted Christ at an early age and joined Mt. Hermon Missionary Baptist Church in Bishopville, South Carolina, where she worked with the youth of the church, served as a Sunday school teacher, and served on the Usher Board. She later joined Bishopville Church of Christ in Bishopville, South Carolina, where she was a faithful and dedicated servant.

Bertha was a person with a generous heart and a mother to anyone who was in need. She loved God, her family, her neighbors, and everyone in the community. She always had a kind word, a plate of food, and sound advice to give to anyone who may have needed it. She loved to cook, entertain company, and talk on the phone with her friends; they always had some tea to spill.

Bertha was preceded in death by her husband, Levi Hannibal; her son, Levi Hannibal Jr.; her parents, Willie Mae Anderson and Cecil Marche; sisters, Lugenia Benjamin and Ella Mae Jordan; brothers, Robert Lee Marche and James Marche; aunts, Blanche Marche and Bertha Bradley; grandmother, Julia McDuffie; grandson, Zahmiar Williams; brothers-in-law, Bobby Hannibal and Levern Hannibal; sisters-in-law, Brenda Hannibal, Deloris H. Bradley, Thelma Hannibal and Rebecca Marche.

She leaves to cherish her loving memories, her two loving daughters, Bertha Yvonne Hannibal and Chrystal N. Hannibal of Bishopville, South Carolina; a special nephew raised as a son, Terry Delois Marche of Paterson, New Jersey; three granddaughters, Myasia Shaw of Newport News, Virigina, Shanice Hannibal and Myasia Century of Bishopville, South Carolina; one daughter-in-law, Mary Hannibal of Lamar, South Carolina; four brothers-in-law, Richard (Ruthine) Hannibal of Baltimore, Maryland, Leroy Hannibal of Camden, South Carolina, Cecil Hannibal of Lynchburg, South Carolina and Willie (Francine) Hannibal of Bishopville, South Carolina; two sisters-in-law, Annie Hannibal of Bishopville, South Carolina and Ruby Hannibal of St. Charles, South Carolina; two great grandchildren, Sabrina Robinson and Zanyla Hannibal, and a host of other nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

She also cherished Reverend Richard Barr and Verndell Joye as adoptive sons, as well as several friends, Sarah Mickel, Ada Bell Jenkins, Carrie Dixon, Grace Jackson, Flossie Mae Murphy, Louise MaHoney, Mary Valentine, Evelyn Barr, and Betty Ann Mickel.

ORDER OF COMMEMORATION

Assistant Minister Gino Culbreath, Presiding

Musical Prelude and Processional

Pointing Up To The Father In Prayer

Congregational Song

Scripture Reading
Old Testament
Elder Joseph Davis

New Testament
Elder Glennon Laws

Prayer of Comfort
Eddie Holloman

Solo
Elizabeth Miller

Thoughtful Reflections (2 Minutes Please)
Marquez Cain, Community
Elder Verndell Joye, Church
Joye Family Member, Family

Acknowledgements
Jackie Jenkins

Solo
April Barr

Words of Comfort
Reverend Richard B. Barr

Congregational Song

Recessional

Committal, Prayer, and Benediction

Interment
Bishopville Church of Christ Cemetery

I'M FREE

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free.

I'm following the path God laid for me.

I took His hand when I heard him call,

I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day, To laugh, to love, to work or play.

Tasks left undone must stay that way.

I found that place at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void, then fill it with remembered joy.

A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,

Ah yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow.

I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I've savored much.

Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief.

Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.

Lift up your heart and share with me...

God wanted me now,

He set me free.



Memories



Last Forever!

Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Floral Bearers

Family and Friends

Expression of Gratitude

From the depths of our hearts, the family of the late Bertha M. Hannibal wishes to convey our sincere gratitude to our extended family, friends, and neighbors for the expressions of sympathy during this time of bereavement. To those of you who have participated in the service, we thank you. To those of you who extended loving support during the passing of our loved one, we thank you. For every phone call, visit, words of encouragement, listening ear, food, and cards, we thank you. We also thank the staff of Fresenius Kidney Care of Lee County and Med One Medical Transport of Darlington; we appreciate you all for taking good care of our loved one. For each act of kindness shown, may God shower you with His blessings.



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CELEBRATION
OF LIFE SERVICE
FOR

Bertha M. HANNIBAL

FEBRUARY 20, 1945 - JULY 16, 2026

Friday, July 24, 2026
12:00 PM

Bishopville Church of Christ
805 North Main Street, Bishopville, SC 29010
Reverend Richard B. Barr, Pastor