

The Divine ORDER OF SERVICE

“And God shall wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.” ~Revelations 21:4

Prelude.....The *J.P. Moore* Gospel Chorale & Band
Processional..... Eulogist, Clergy, Mortician & Family
Parting Gance & Seating of FamilyThe *J.P. Moore* Staff
The Prayer of Consolation..... Reverend Barbara D. Thomas
The Holy Scriptures:

Old Testament.....Minister Florence Boatman
New Testament..... Reverend Ava D. Curry
Selection The *J.P. Moore* Gospel Chorale

Family Reflections & Tributes..... Two Minutes Each, Please
As a Church Member Sister Paula Thomas
As a Relative Sister Essie McBurrough
Family Tribute Avience Burch & Nakyla Pryor

Acknowledgements & ResolutionsThe *J.P. Moore* Staff
Selection The *J.P. Moore* Gospel Chorale
Words of ComfortReverend Dr. Laverne Haynes
Mortician’s BriefMr. Jamarie “J.P.” Moore, LFD|CFSP
Recessional Clergy & Family

“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge will award me on that day – and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.”
~ 2 Timothy 4:7 - 8

Earthly Bed of Slumber

Hymn | Committal | Mortician’s Brief | Final Presentations
High Antioch AME Church Cemetery
Cherry Lake, Florida

Active Pallbearers

DeAndre Damanze

Gary George

Willie McKnight

Kenny Pryor

Anthony Williams

Thomas Williams

Active Floral Bearers

Family and Friends

Repast

Fellowship Hall

High Antioch AME Church * Cherry Lake, FL

The Family’s Message of Gratitude

Our hearts are overflowing with love and gratitude to each of you for the many acts of kindness you have shared with us.

Your prayers, words of consolation, flowers and countless acts of kindness, have sustained us during the difficult days since the passing of our beloved matriarch, Mother Birda Alberta Dasher Williams. We thank God for friends

like you. May He bless you dearly is our prayer.

~The Williams Family

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MOTHER
BIRDA
ALBERTA
DASHER WILLIAMS

EARTH’S GIFT
March 22, 1929

HEAVEN’S GAIN
March 2, 2024

Saturday, March 9, 2024 | 11:00 Ante Meridiem

High Antioch A.M.E. Church
11782 North State Road 53 | Madison (Cherry Lake), Florida 32340

Bishop Frank Madison Reid, Presiding Prelate
Presiding Elder Carlton Taylor, Tallahassee District
Reverend Dr. Laverne Haynes, Gracious Host/Eulogist
Reverend Barbara Davis Thomas, Officiant

J.P. Moore Undertaking Company, Directing

Mother Birda Dasher Williams
"ALBERTA"

MARCH 22, 1929 - MARCH 2, 2024

"I Have Come This Far by Faith, Leaning on the Lord"

Mother Birda Alberta Dasher Williams, affectionately known as "Alberta" and the older daughter of Cane Dasher and Mary Eliza Honeywell, was born on March 22, 1929, in Madison, Florida. She was a lifelong resident in the rural community of Pinetta, Florida, the area where she grew up.

Preceding *Mother Birda* in death were both parents; her husband of 55 years, George Williams, Sr. and sons: George Williams, Jr., Leroy Williams and Joe Oscar Williams; daughters: Deloise Williams Pryor and Susan Williams; grandson: Joseph Lawrence Wilkins; and her sister: Lucille Peek.

During her early years, *Mother Alberta* confessed her belief that Jesus Christ was her Savior. Following her baptism, she joined High Antioch African Methodist Episcopal Church. During her active years, she fulfilled duties on the Steward and Stewardess Boards. She remained a member of this church her entire life. Having developed a personal relationship with Him, she gratefully received by faith what God offered in grace.

Mother Alberta learned from her village of supporters that she should have personal pride in whatever she attempted to do. They emphasized the importance of having integrity, working hard, finishing what she started, and giving her best effort. She, in turn, passed this same work ethic on to her children and the younger generations who always saw her being busy in her yard or garden or doing household chores.



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've now found peace at the end of day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joys:
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss.
Oh, yes, these things I, too, will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow;
Look for the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life has been full; I savored much:
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seems all too brief;
Don't lengthen your pain with undue grief.
Lift up your heart, and peace to thee.
God wanted me now—He has set me free.*

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With the help of the Lord, *Mother Birda* quilted the pieces of the four generations of the Williams family life together with values, wisdom, and guidance to shape their individual lives. As the family matriarch, *Mother Alberta's* house was the "go to" place that was always open to them for small casual visits to extended family gatherings for hosting barbecues, holiday meals, as well as for celebrating achievements, birthdays, or life itself. She loved to cook and whatever she prepared was food fit for a feast.

However, whenever, *Mother Birda* settled down from her busy day, she watched her favorite television shows from the past: *The Andy Griffith Show*, wrestling, and most definitely, westerns (*Gun Smoke*, *The Big Valley*, *The Rifle Man*, *Rawhide*, *Wagon Train*) and *Walker, Texas Ranger*.

A mighty tree has fallen in the Williams family. However, with her soul anchored in the Lord, *Matriarch Birda Dasher Williams* bowed to a Greater will than her own on Saturday, March 2, 2024. She transitioned from this life to join the heavenly host, and is now somewhere around the throne of God, praising Him all day long.

A life lived with love is an inspiration to all. *Mother Birda Dasher Williams* is gone from their sight but never from the hearts of her loved ones. Those who will forever cherish her life, love, laughter, and legacy are her son: Thomas (Bernice) Williams of Madison, FL; daughters: Emmalene Pickett of Pinetta, FL, Marian (Calvin) Johnson of Live Oak, FL, Janice (Samuel) Damanze of Tampa, FL, and Sandra Pearl (Edward) Rowe of Madison, FL; niece: Yvonne Peek Johnson of Tallahassee, FL; twenty-three grandchildren; fifty great-grandchildren; ten great-great-grandchildren; along with countless other sorrowing relatives and sympathetic friends.