



## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The family of Latasha Ellen Owen would like to express our heartfelt thanks for the many acts of love, kindness, and support shown during this time of loss. Your calls, visits, cards, prayers, and comforting words have meant so much to us.

A special thank you to her friends, church family, and all who shared in Latasha's life. Your presence and thoughtfulness have truly been a blessing.

May God continue to bless each of you.

— The Family



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IN LOVING MEMORY



# Latasha Ellen Owen

**JULY 28, 1977 — JUNE 30, 2025**

Sunday, July 13, 2025  
2 pm

Resurrection Hill Christian Center Inc



# REFLECTIONS

Latasha Ellen Owen was born on July 28, 1977, in Smithfield, North Carolina, to the late Lonnie Henry Faison and Beulah Ann Massey Darden. She departed this life on Monday, June 30, 2025, at her home.

Latasha attended public schools in Johnston County and later earned her GED from Johnston Community College. She worked in several manufacturing companies and spent many years doing domestic and home healthcare work until her health no longer allowed her to continue.

Latasha was known for her joyful spirit and love of laughter. She had a big, bright smile that showed off her beautiful dimples. She enjoyed spending time with her family and friends and deeply loved her daughter Vanessa. The two were inseparable—like two peas in a pod.

Latasha was a woman of faith. She attended St. Peter Church of Christ and later became a member of Resurrection Hill Christian Center. She enjoyed playing music, including the drums, bongo, keyboard, and her father's guitar.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her first daughter, Christina Haley Perry.

Latasha leaves to cherish her memory her beloved daughter, Vanessa Christina Owen of the home, and her fiancé, Mr. Lewis Merritt. She is also survived by three brothers: Anthony Darden (Levadia), Shelton Darden, and Bishop Robert Darden Owen Sr.; and five sisters: Marie Darden-Perry (Rebecca), Sharon Darden, Evangelist Michelle Pender, Comedian Owen, and Elder Roberta Thomas (Eric).

She also leaves behind six nephews: Julius Blackwell, Antonio Benjamin Darden, Antawin Cole, Leshawn Edouard, Brian Sanders, and Robert Owen Jr.; four nieces: Jessica Owen, Marchelle Sanders, Chelton Darden, and De'ja McGill; four aunts: Pearl Warren, Sherry Faison, Margaret Elliott, and Elizabeth Jones; and two uncles: Randolph Darden and Larry Faison.

Latasha will be remembered with love by many great-nieces and nephews, extended family, and a host of dear friends.

# ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude

Presider of Service  
Apostle Clarry Gathers

Musical Selection  
Rouse Brothers

Prayer

Reading of the Scriptures  
Old Testament- Brother Daniel Evans  
New Testament- Eldress Minnie Bennett

Musical Selection  
Rouse Brothers

Acknowledgments and Obituary  
Sister Belynda Price Revis

Musical Selection- Rouse Brothers

Reflections from Family and Friends  
Comedian Owen, Pearl Warren, Margaret Elliot,  
Senita Farmer, and Mary Taylor

Committal

Mortician's Brief  
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