



## PRECIOUS MEMORIES

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FLOWER BEARERS  
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*Family and friends don't cry for me, I'm on a journey you cannot see.  
It started one day not long ago, I closed my eyes, I had to go.  
When I closed my eyes, the pain was gone. I shed my old body and headed home.  
I climbed the stairs and passed the light, Heaven's Gate was the next thing in sight.  
St. Peter was there looking through his book, I gave him my name and  
he took a look.  
He gave me a nod, a robe and wings, the fit was perfect, what beautiful things.  
I passed through the Gate and stood on a street of gold, people everywhere  
Some young and some old.*

*This place is amazing what a joy to behold,  
God's amazing grace I've made it home. As you can see by now,  
I haven't looked back, I'm in a new place - no time for that.*

*So live your life, enjoy and have plenty of fun.  
I'll be waiting here when your work is done.*

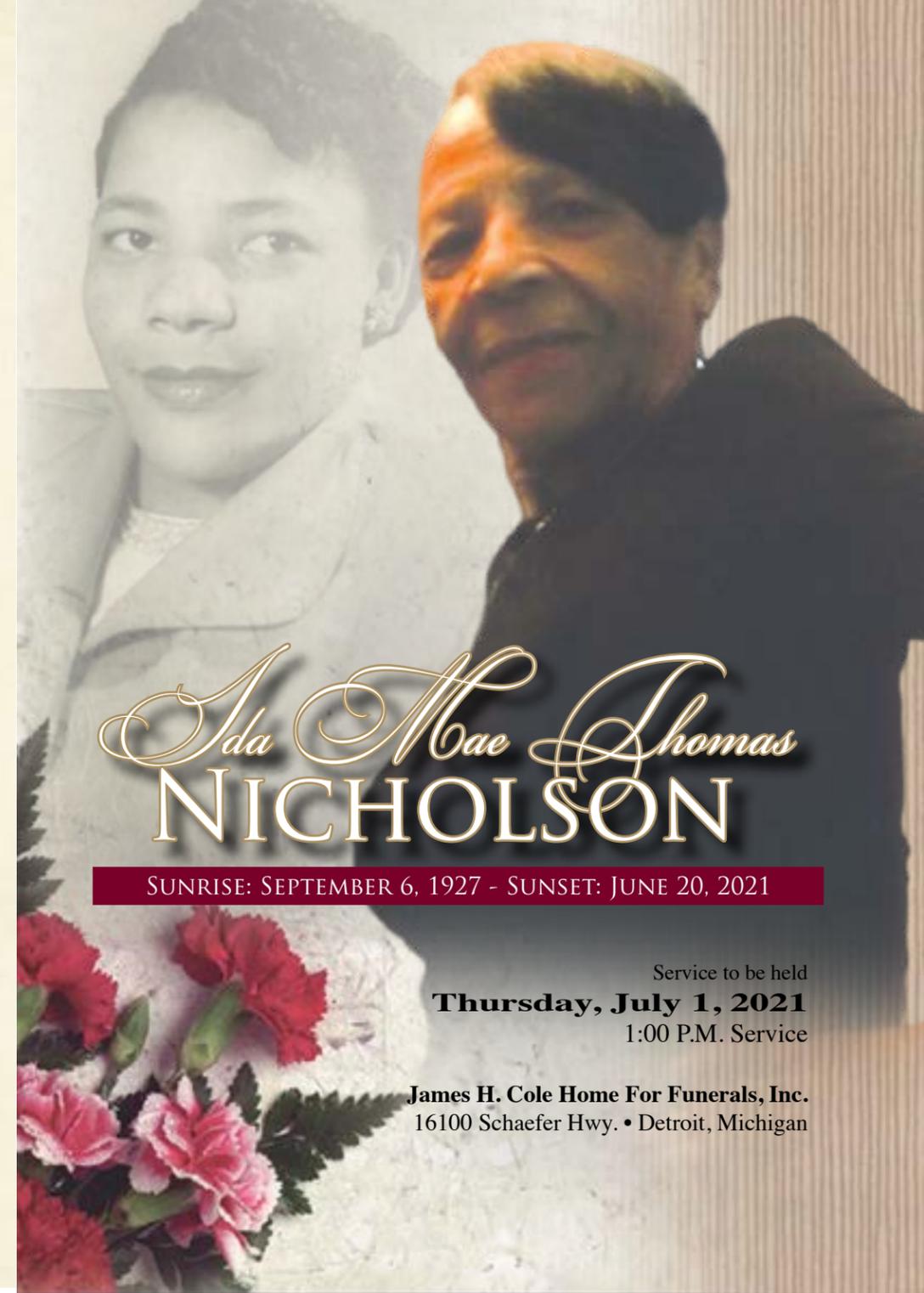
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### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

We are forever grateful for your prayers, cards, calls, visits and other expressions of love during this time of bereavement. We pray God's richest blessings upon you and your family forever!

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## A CELEBRATION OF LIFE OF



*Ida Mae Thomas*  
**NICHOLSON**

SUNRISE: SEPTEMBER 6, 1927 - SUNSET: JUNE 20, 2021

Service to be held  
**Thursday, July 1, 2021**  
1:00 P.M. Service

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HER JOURNEY

*Ida Mae Thomas Nicholson*

*I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. St. John 11: 25-26*

**Ida Mae Thomas Nicholson** was born on September 6, 1927 in Montgomery County, Alabama. She was the eighth child of twelve children born to the late Jeff and Nannie Thomas. She was preceded in death by her parents; five brothers, Doss, Jeff, Joe Frank, Jeff Jr. and Willie James Thomas; and five sisters, Velma Hamilton, Eliza Davis, Lula Thomas, Ella Milton, and Jessie Jones Robinson.

In 1945, Ida wedded James Nicholson, no children were born in this union. This marriage eventually ended a few years later. However, James being the love of Ida's life, they reunited and remarried on March 24, 1998. This union blessed her with the experience of love and acceptance from her late husband James' son Kenneth Nicholson, daughter, Sherri Nicholson, granddaughter Kelli Dokes, and a host of other grandchildren. Ida was a lively, sophisticated woman with a caring heart and gracious spirit. She enjoyed shopping, speaking with and visiting loved ones, and was an excellent cook in the kitchen.

Ida peacefully transitioned from this life on Sunday, June 20, 2021. She will be dearly missed. She leaves to cherish her memory: sister Mary Ann Duncan (Alabama); stepchildren Sherri and Kenneth Nicholson, and a host of grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and a multitude of family and friends.

*A* limb has fallen  
From the Family Tree  
That says, Grieve not for me  
Remember the BEST Times,  
The laughter, the songs  
The good life I lived,  
While I was STRONG!

ORDER OF SERVICE

- Officiating Pastor .....
- Organ Prelude .....
- Processional ..... Family
- Scripture Reading ..... Yvette Nicholson  
Old Testament - Psalm 23  
New Testament - John 14:1-6
- Prayer of Comfort ..... Chapel Minister
- Song .....
- Acknowledgment and Condolences ..... Constance Colandrea
- Obituary ..... Kelli Dokes
- Remarks (2 minutes, please) ..... Family and Friends
- Song .....
- Eulogy .....
- Benediction/Blessings .....
- Recessional ..... Family
- Organ Postlude .....