

High Flight

*Oh, I have slipped the surly bonds of earth,
And danced the skies on laughter-silvered wings;
Sunward I've climbed and joined the tumbling mirth
Of sun-split clouds — and done a hundred things
You have not dreamed of — wheeled and soared and swung
High in the sunlit silence. Hov'ring there
I've chased the shouting wind along and flung
My eager craft through footless halls of air.
Up, up the long delirious burning blue
I've topped the wind-swept heights with easy grace,
Where never lark, or even eagle, flew;
And, while with silent, lifting mind I've trod
The high untrespassed sanctity of space,
Put out my hand, and touched the face of God*

*Dedicated by her son,
Gerald N. Eichelberger*

Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Floral Bearers

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Acknowledgement

We, the family of Mrs. Corrine Portee Eichelberger, sincerely appreciate every act of kindness extended to us during our season of bereavement. Your calls, visits, food, cards, and prayers have kept us lifted during this time. We ask for your continued prayers as we face our tomorrow without our precious matriarch, and we pray God's continued blessings upon each of you. Special thanks to her son-in-law, Mr. Robert Donald and Ms. Carolyn Beck who brought mom her favorite foods each week, and her sweet granddaughter Taylor, who brought her hotdogs whenever she requested them.



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Celebration of Life In Loving Memory of Mrs. Corinne Portee Eichelberger



Tuesday, May 10, 2022

11:00 a.m.

Elmwood Cemetery

501 Elmwood Avenue

Columbia, South Carolina

Reverend Lester Drayton

- Officiating -



Obituary of Mrs. Corinne Portee Eichelberger

Mrs. Corinne Portee Eichelberger was born December 25, 1924, to Wesley and Adell Portee. She attended Richland One Schools, and graduated from the historically beloved Booker T. Washington High School. She continued her education at Allen University and the University of South Carolina.

Mrs. Eichelberger had a long, influential career at Moncrief Army Hospital, where she worked as the Director of the Hospital's Medical Records Room. She worked with Doctors and Medical Specialists from around the globe. One of the physicians she worked with, while at Fort Jackson's Moncrief Hospital, cared for her until her death.

Mrs. Eichelberger was actively involved in many community associations. Her involvement included: a lifetime member of Eastern Star Cleopatra #240, a lifetime member of the Gandy Griffin VFW Post 4262, the Booker T. Washington Heritage Association, and her beloved Ward One Reunion Organization that archived and preserved the Ward One Community. This area is now occupied University of South Carolina.

She was baptized at Union Baptist Church, and often relayed many stories of the love and care she received thru their ministry during her youth. After marriage, she joined Chappelle Memorial AME, where she was actively involved in Chappelle's Missionary Society. There she faithfully prepared communion tables and helped with the family shelter program. She loved gardening and cared for the flowers and shrubs at the church's entrance for many years. She was a devoted Sunday School attendee. As a reward for her faithful service, Ms. Eichelberger received the 1995 Chappelle Memorial Woman of the Year Award.

She will be remembered for her love and devotion to her family, her encouragement, love for education, literacy, and her philanthropic spirit toward those in need.

Corinne was predeceased by: her late husband, Claud E. Eichelberger, and her beloved son, Donald E. Eichelberger.

Mrs. Corinne Portee Eichelberger is survived by: her children, Col. (Ret) Claude J. Eichelberger, Ph.D, Gerald N. (Linda) Eichelberger, and Rena Yvonne (Robert) Donald; honorary daughter, Vivian McKinney; her grandchildren, Gerald II (Shannon), Kimberly, Robert III, Bethany, and Christian (Aubrey); her great-grandchildren, Taylor, Jalen, Anaya, Victoria, Emery, and Alexandria.

Memories



A Service of Remembrance

Reverend Timothy Cokely, Officiating

- Processional
- Opening Hymn.....“By And By When The Morning Comes”
Versus 1 and 4
- Prayer.....Reverend Jeryl Salmond
Ladson Presbyterian
- Old Testament.....Elder Henry Watson
Progressive Church, Saluda, SC
- New Testament.....Bishop Richard Johnson
Cathedral of Faith, Irmo, SC
- Solo.....“How Great Thou Art”Mr. Christopher Gladman
- Remarks.....Ms. Brenda Suber,
Friend, Weekend Caretaker, Member of Chappelle Memorial AME
Ms. Vivian Nelson, *Dear Friend and Neighbor*
Attorney Tameika Isaac Devine,
Former Councilwoman for City of Columbia
Dr. Bobby Donaldson,
USC Professor, History Ward One
- Presentation.....Mrs. Catherine Jackson,
VFW
- Resolution.....Mrs. Cynthia Cokely
- Hymn.....“Yes, God Is Real”Sister Carolyn Etheredge
- Tributes.....Mrs. Yvonne E. Donald,
Daughter
Mr. Gerald Eichelberger II, Christian Myers, and Kimberly Donald,
Grandchildren
Miss Taylor Renee Donald,
Great-granchildren
Ms. Bethany Williams,
Poem selected by Ms. Corinne Eichelberger
Col. (Ret) Claude J. Eighelberger, Ph.D
- Selection.....“When You Walk Through A Storm”Mr. James Myers
- Eulogy.....Reverend Lester Drayton
Chappelle Memorial AME
- Committal and Benediction
- Recessional

