

Pallbearers

Progressive Church Deacons and Ushers

Floral Bearers

Progressive Church Women's Auxiliary

Acknowledgement

We, the family of Mrs. Helen Marie Staley Culver, would like to thank each of you for the many acts of kindness shown to us, during our time of bereavement. May God continue to bless each of you with His love, grace, and mercy.

Repast

Springhill Suites by Marriott Columbia Downtown/Vista
511 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Services Entrusted To:

Taylor Street Chapel

1831 Taylor Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803)771-7799

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-Owner & Director-

Leevy's

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9120 Garners Ferry Road
Hopkins, SC 29061
(803) 776-6922

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-General Manager-

In
Loving Memory
of

Mrs. Helen Marie Staley Culver



Saturday, July 16, 2022

11:00 a.m.

Progressive Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ

2222 Barhamville Road

Columbia, South Carolina

Bishop Theodore Jenkins, Sr., Pastor

*Reflections of the Life
of
Mrs. Helen Marie Staley Culver*

Helen Marie Staley Culver was born on August 9, 1934, in Springfield, South Carolina, to the late Louis and Louise Amos-Staley. Helen attended Springfield Elementary and Junior High schools, then transferred to Booker T. Washington High School, in Columbia, South Carolina. In May of 1953, Helen married the late Robert Culver, and to that union, they raised two daughters, Audrey and Paulette. Years later, Helen gave birth to a son, Walter Reed, and also raised her late grandson, Marcus Staley. After high school, Helen migrated to Brooklyn, New York, where she worked as a volunteer for the New York City school system. Helen was later employed by the New York Telephone Company (now known as AT&T), where she worked as an 800 operator, and received numerous service awards for outstanding service. She retired after 25 years in 1994.

After retiring, Helen moved back to Columbia, South Carolina, where she got involved with countless community services, volunteering her services, and giving of herself wherever needed. She served on the tenants screening committee at 1930 Marion Street, and worked faithfully volunteering for the Board of Elections, in Columbia, until she moved to Rosewood Hill Senior Complex. She leaves an extended family of friends, who came to know and love her. Helen has always been full of joy, giving, comical, stylish, classy, loving, and a charismatic person, who enjoyed life and people. Her love for family and gatherings will be missed tremendously. Helen's gift of baking famous chocolate layer, pineapple upside down, and butter cakes will be missed, by all who had the pleasure of tasting those wonderful sweets. She was a loving mother, grandmother, sister, and great friend who would uplift and encourage your spirit.

In the late 1990s, Helen became a member of **Progressive Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ** under the then leadership of the late **Bishop Edward Smith**, and now under the current leadership of **Bishop Theodore Jenkins**. Helen was baptized on June 25, 2000 at Progressive Church, where she remained and served faithfully, until the Lord called her to her new home, in Glory on July 6, 2022.

Helen is preceded in death by her late husband, Robert Culver; sister, Lydia Bovain; brother, Allen Staley; daughter, Audrey Staley, and grandsons, Marcus Staley and Russell Tyrone Goss, Jr.

She leaves to cherish her loving memory: son, Walter Reed, of Los Angeles, CA; daughter, Paulette Goss, of Brooklyn, NY; sisters, Kara Jane Lasker (Jonnie), of Conway, AR and Cassie Pearson, of Columbia, SC; brother, Theodore Staley, of Columbia, SC; grandchildren, Latrice Goss, Walter **Rudy** Iddeen, ZaRiya Reed, and Solomon Reed; special adopted family, Rhonda Simpkins and the Daniel family, of Columbia, SC; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, family and friends from New York to Columbia, who will miss her dearly.

Sophisticated Lady

*Elegance, style and amazing grace
Classy, yet sassy
With unwavering faith*

*The streets of heaven
Now rejoice upon your arrival
Take up your crown and wings, Ms. Culver
The Lord has sent a revival*

*Though we will miss you dearly
Your legacy will live on in us forever
Your reward may be much greater in heaven
But you were the glue that kept us together*

*So we make this vow, in your honor
To love each other as you would want us to
And to never lose hope and faith
That way, we'd never lose you.*

*Love you always Granny,
Love, Tricey D "born on March 23" ♥*

Memories



Order of Service
Elder Robbie Jenkins, Officiating

Prelude.....Progressive Church Senior Choir
 Processional.....Clergy and Family
 Opening Selection.....Progressive Church Senior Choir
 Prayer of Comfort.....Minister Simon Jenkins
 Scriptures Reading.....Elder George Dennis

Old Testament – Psalm 84:11

New Testament – I Corinthians 15:51-58

Musical Selection.....Progressive Church Senior Choir
 Remarks.....Deacon Clifford Wells

Mr. Charlie S. Daniel, Jr.
 Family and Friends

Acknowledgements.....Sister Janie Davis
 Musical Selection.....Progressive Senior Choir

Words of ComfortBishop Theodore Jenkins, Sr.

Recessional

Postlude



Committal, Benediction and Interment

Lincoln Cemetery
 4900 Farrow Road
 Columbia, South Carolina



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