

Obituary

“The Lord is my Shepherd I shall not want” Psalm 23:1

A Time To Be Born: Mrs. Essie Mae Noble Lang was born on April 29, 1942, in Columbia, SC, to a family full of love and joy. She was the second of three daughters and two sons born to Deacon Douglas Noble, Sr. and Rebecca Elizabeth Anderson Noble.

A Time To Die: The Lord dispatched His angels on Wednesday, May 31, 2023, taking Essie by the hand of love to her new place of rest.

A Time For Every Purpose On Earth: Essie was educated in the public schools of Richland County, SC. She was a graduate of C.A. Johnson High School and continued her education at Allen University. She received her Bachelors Degree in Education, and became an educator in the states of GA and SC. She later earned her masters degree from SC State College, and continued a successful career in education, being named Teacher of the Year in 1996. In the same year, Essie made Bethlehem Baptist Church – College Place her new church home. She later joined the Missionary Society, becoming a faithful servant to her church and community. Essie served with the VFW Women’s Auxiliary, where she: read to, played cards with, and visited wounded soldiers at the VA Hospital. She served her local community of Fairwold Acres and Hollywood Hills, becoming instrumental in many improvements of both communities. She was an avid and award-winning bridge player, being well-versed in the art of regular and duplicate bridge. Essie loved family, people, and life.

A Time Of Memories: Essie was most fond of her family, enjoying many wonderful memories of family trips, cruises, barbecues, and fellowships. She cherished her friendships, most of which lasted well over 30 and 40 years. She was not only a go-getter but had a passion for being pristine. She was known for being neat, clean, and well put together, VERY MUCH A LADY!

Those Left To Cherish Her Memory: Mrs. Essie Noble Lang leaves to cherish her memory: three daughters, Angie (Aaron) Rhodes, of Columbia, SC, Lisa (Deacon Edward) Lang Harley, of Columbia, SC, and Janice Lang, of Savannah, GA; three sons, Kelvin Lang, of Savanah, GA, Ravannell A. Lang, Jr., of Herndon, VA, and Sylvester E. Lang, of Jacksonville, FL; her remaining siblings, Rebecca (Deacon Williard) Steed, of Baltimore, MD, Douglas (Jerlean) Noble, Jr. and Jerome (Patrick) Noble), both of Columbia, SC; a host of nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, two that lived in the home, Rayonna White and Raniyah Williams; she also leaves a host of friends, some of which lasted 40 and 50 years. She loved life, laughter, and the Lord. She now goes on to be with her beloved older sister, Beatrice Jackson and that perfect friend we have in Jesus. Amen.

Memories



Order of Service

- Prelude
- Processional
- Viewing..... Funeral Directors
- Opening Hymn.....Bethlehem Baptist Church Choir
- Old and New Testaments.....Pastor Warren T. Harley
- Prayer.....Pastor Pasty F. Rhett
- Solo.....Ms. Charlene Harley
- PoemMinister Jerlean S. Noble, *Sister-In-Law*
- Reflections.....Mrs. Veronice Ramseur
Deacon Michael and Deaconess Gloria Glover
Chaplain Catherine Jackson Smith,
VFW Post 4262 Women’s Auxiliary
Attorney I.S. Leevy Johnson
- Acknowledgements.....Mrs. Deidre R. Steed, *Niece*
- Duet.....Mrs. Jakiyah Middleton, *Niece*
Mrs. Shianté Teachey, *Niece*
- Words of Comfort.....Reverend Dr. Anthony McCallum
- Recessional
- Postlude



Committal, Benediction and Interment

Lincoln Cemetery
4900 Farrow Road
Columbia, South Carolina

God Loves You Best

Dearest Essie,
Sweet daughter, mother, sister, auntie, cousin, sister-in-love, teacher, and friend
You may be gone from this side of earth
But not without us honoring your awesome life first
You were classy, organized, ideal, and unique
And everything you managed was in place, and neat
Selflessly you cherished your sisters and brothers
Sharing lessons learned from your father and mother
You accepted the role as matriarch of this family
Led by the hand of the Savior, God Almighty
You loved your children with all that you had
Not forsaking one, in good times or bad
You'll never be forgotten or pushed aside in our hearts
Because the memory of you from us will never depart
Now, God, the Author and Finisher of our lives
Has written the last line for you and put His pen aside
He's allowed us to grieve and wipe away the tears
And reminded us, we still have a life here to live
Now may God's grace of you rest sweetly on our souls
As we hold tight to each other knowing we have to let you go
Now in Jesus' arms, sister love, snuggle close and rest
Because although we love you, He loves you best

Your Sister-in-Love

Jerlean S. Noble

Honorary Pallbearers

Deacon Board

Active Pallbearers

Family

Honorary Floral Bearers

Deaconess Board

Active Floral Bearers

Missionary Society

Acknowledgement

We, the family of Mrs. Essie Noble Lang, wish to thank each of you for the many acts of kindness expressed during the passing of our loved one. May God continue to bless each of you. Special thanks to the staff of MSA Home Health, especially to Nurse Catalina Fortner, Dr. Vaughn Barnic, and Daniel Dunbar, as well as the staffs of Lexington County Hospital, and MUSC Northeast Hospital. Thank you to Ms. Richburg and the Bishop Avenue Wellness Center.

Services Entrusted To:

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

I. S. Leevy Johnson
-Owner & Director-

Leevy's

FUNERAL HOME

Chris Leevy Johnson
-President & Managing Director-

Lower Richland Chapel
9120 Garners Ferry Road
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Leverette A. Williams, II
-General Manager-



In Loving Memory
Mrs. Essie Noble Lang

Friday, June 9, 2023
11:00 a.m.

Bethlehem Baptist Church
1028 Eastman Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Reverend Dr. Anthony McCallum
-Pastor-