I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God has laid you see. I took His hand when I heard His call I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day To laugh, to love, to work, or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way I found the peace at the close of the day. If my parting has left a void Then fill it with remembered joys A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss Oh yes, these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much, Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart, and peace to thee-God wanted me now; He has set me free.

<u> Acknowledgement</u>

Charmaine, Alexis, Maxwell, Wesley and our family would like to sincerely thank everyone who joined us today to celebrate the life of our dear mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, friend and Soror. Special thanks to family and friends, Mrs. Laura Stephens, Ms. Cynthia Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Ward, Mr. Ron Drayton, Ms. Dee Drayton, Ms. Tonya Ward, Ms. Carrie Norton, Mr. Christian Norton, Ms. Cathy Johnson, Ms. Galen McWilliams, Attorney Nekki Shutt, Ms. Francie Weatherly Kleckley, Mr. Paul Leo, Ms. Paulette Williams, Ms. Bonnie Goldberg, Ms. Janie Fair, City of Columbia Police Officer, Major Chris White, Attorney Winifred Carson-Smith, Mrs. Betty Melvin, Dr. Joyce Buxton, Reverend Patrice Davis, Reverend Hillary Taylor, Deacon Donald Logan, Deacon Hattie Logan, Deacon Larry Walton, Deacon Karen Lynn Walton, The Second Calvary Church Family, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Columbia, S.C. Chapter and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Camden, S.C. Chapter. We are grateful for every call, visit and prayer. Our family would like to also acknowledge Nurse Lisa Smith and the physicians at v Care Hospice.



A Service of Remembrance
Celebrating the Life
of
Mrs. Henrietta Carter Pope



Wednesday, April 2, <mark>2025</mark> 12:00 Noon

> Cedars Cemetery 708 Campbell Street Camden, South Carolina

Reverend Patrice Davis
- Officiating-

Obituary

Mrs. Henrietta Carter Pope was born on April 5, 1928, in Camden South Carolina. Mrs. Pope and her sister, the late Bettye Carter James were born to the late Henry and Eliza Carter.

Mrs. Pope attended Camden South Carolina's Boylan Haven-Mather Academy from first through twelfth grades. In 1949, Mrs. Pope received her undergraduate degree from Shaw University, where she majored in elementary and health education. She received her master's degree from South Carolina State College.

Shortly after graduating from Shaw University, Mrs. Pope was offered her first teaching job at Benedict College teaching health education and coaching Benedict's women's basketball team. In 1950, Mrs. Pope married the love of her life, music educator and band director, Mr. James Pope whom she met while attending Shaw University. In 1952, Mr. and Mrs. Pope were both hired as educators in the Camden, South Carolina public school system. Mrs. Pope taught Special Education at Jackson Elementary School, while Mr. Pope became Jackson High School's band director. In 1953, their marriage was blessed with their lovely daughter, Charmaine. In 1963, Mrs. Pope and Mr. Pope were hired as educators in Columbia, South Carolina's Richland School District One. Prior to her retirement in 1986, Mrs. Pope served for 23 years as an educator at W.A. Perry Middle School.

In 1963, Mrs. Pope became a member of Columbia, S.C.'s Second Calvary Baptist Church, where she served as a Deacon for 62 years. During her Deacon's service, Mrs. Pope established a scholarship to assist high school students pursuing a higher education degree at a South Carolina college or university.

Mrs. Pope was a Golden Life Member of Delta Sigma Theta, Inc. She lived in Columbia's Greenview Community for 62 years, where she lovingly and faithfully served as Secretary of the Greenview Community Club.

In addition to her daughter Charmaine, Mrs. Pope leaves behind to mourn her passing her devoted granddaughter, Alexis Robertson; grandsons, Maxwell and Wesley Robertson; former son-in- law, Ron Clowney; and many relatives, neighbors, friends, and sorority sisters.

Order of Service

The Call to Worship. Reverend Patrice Davis

Member of Camden, SC Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority

Prayer. Reverend Patrice Davis

Old Testament – Isaiah 25:6-9. Deacon Larry Walton
Second Calvary Baptist Church

New Testament-Romans 8:37-29. Deacon Karen Lynn Walton
Second Calvary Baptist Church

Musical Selection. Ms. Cathy Johnson

"Thank You Lord"

Prayer of Strength. Deacon Donald Logan
Second Calvary Baptist Church

Committal

Benediction

