

Pallbearers
Family and Friends

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Acknowledgement

We, the family of the late Criss Virginia Harris Wells wish to acknowledge with heartfelt appreciation all expressions of sympathy extended to us during this most difficult time. Your prayers, calls and other gestures of love have been a blessing to us and have made this time easier to bear. May God forever bless each of you, as you keep us in your prayers.

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*Homegoing Service Celebrating the Life
of*

MRS. CRISS HARRIS WELLS



**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2025
10:30 A.M.**

**GILL CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
2116 CUSHMAN DRIVE
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**REVEREND JAMES C. WOODLEY
-PASTOR-**

Reflections of Life

Mrs. Criss Harris Wells

Mrs. Criss Harris Wells was born on March 10, 1939, in Tarrytown, GA. She was the daughter of Barry Harris and Susie Robinson Harris. Criss was the youngest of eight children. She departed this life on Friday, September 5, 2025. Criss was baptized at an early age at Mt. Nebo Baptist Church in Tarrytown, GA. She was educated in the public schools in Georgia and graduated as valedictorian from Montgomery County High School in 1957. Criss moved to Miami, Florida in 1960 and she attended Northwestern School of Nursing. Upon graduation, she worked at Jackson Memorial Hospital as a licensed practical nurse.

Criss met the love of her life Mr. Roger Wells, Jr., and to that union eight sons were born. Roger and Criss were very good friends and classmates since childhood. After 15 years in Miami, the family moved to South Carolina. Criss started her next nursing assignment at Dorn VA Medical Hospital where she worked for 18 years. She served as a nurse for 31 years and successfully retired. She joined the Gill Creek Baptist Church family in 1976. Criss sang on the Sanctuary Choir and served on the Missionary Ministry.

Criss was affectionately as Mom, Grandma, Grandma Wells, and Aunt Criss. She was very competitive and really enjoyed winning. Criss loved spending time with family and friends. She was an encourager and always witnessed about God's goodness.

She leaves to mourn, seven sons Barry, Derrick (Dr. Sandra), Dothan (Lisa), Daniel (Lydia), Carlton (Faren) Wells of Columbia, SC, Chuck Wells of Augusta, GA; Douglas (Janeyah) Wells of Fuquay Varina, NC; one daughter, Gwen (Tim) Wells Canady of Magnolia, NC; 20 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren; and many other loving relatives, cousins, nieces, nephews and all whom will miss her dearly.

Preceded her in death; husband, Roger Wells, Jr., son, Dylann Roger Wells; Siblings: Ray Harris Beacham, Eva Dale Cross, Ruby Nell Robinson, Rufus Harris, Ulysses Harris, Vera Lee Love, and Robert Lee Harris.

Celebrate My Life

Remember me with love and joy,
Let gratitude fill your heart.
Thankful for the time we had,
Gone...yet not apart.

If we measured life in moments,
Not in months or years,
I lived a hundred lifetimes,
Loved by all who hold me dear.

I hope you'll find your smile,
And generously speak my name.
Share stories and my heart,
Your love for life unchanged.
Celebrate the life I lived,
I will be watching from above.
I am always with you,
Sending you my light and love.

Memories



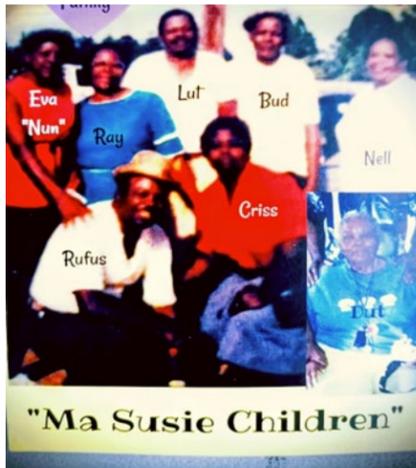
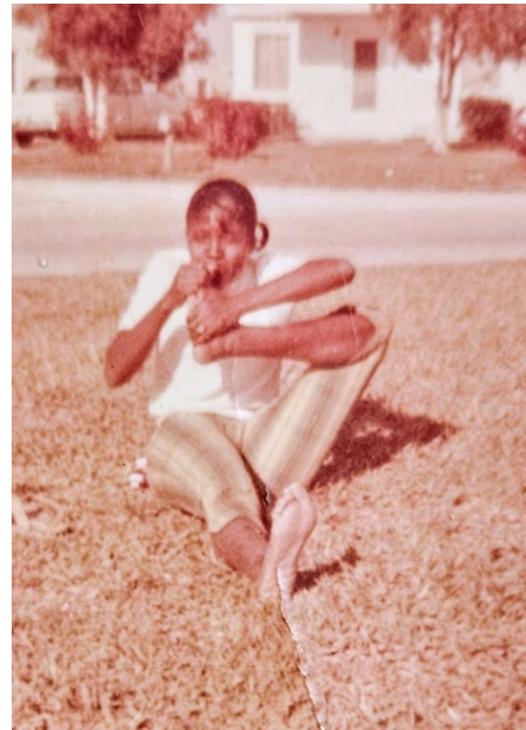
Order of Service

Prelude
 Processional
 Viewing.....Funeral Directors
 Opening Hymn.....Gill Creek Baptist Church Mass Choir
 "Blessed Assurance"
 Old Testament.....Reverend Zigmond Osby
 New Testament.....Reverend Dr. Aaron Bishop
 Prayer of Comfort.....Reverend James C. Woodley
 Musical Selection.....Gill Creek Baptist Church Mass Choir
 Resolutions.....Chaplin Catherine Smith
 Deacon Caesar Leysath, Church
 Remarks.....(Two Minutes, Please).....Sister Cassandra Anderson, Friend
 Brother Barry Wells, Son
 Solo.....Dr. Sandra H. Wells
 Words of Comfort.....Reverend James C. Woodley
 Recessional
 Postlude



Committal, Benediction, and Interment
Crescent Hill Memorial Gardens
2603 Two Notch Road
Columbia, South Carolina

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