



*Pallbearers*

Larry Carrethers  
LaVeris Henderson  
Harold Howard, Jr.  
William Scales

Kenneth Carrethers  
Terrell Howard  
Martinez Newsome  
Demond Tucker

*Flower Bearers*

Athemia Carrethers  
Alexis Henderson  
Tesha Newsome

Lashell Dubose  
Joy Howard  
Jaricha Scales

Patrice Tucker

*Interment*

Trice Hill Cemetery  
5101 North Coltrane Road  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73111

Please drive with your lights on for safety and fasten your seat belts.

*Acknowledgement*

The family of Johnnie Mae would like to express their sincere appreciation and gratitude for the many acts of kindness shown during this difficult time of bereavement. May God bless each of you.

*Repast*

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*"We Care"*

*II Timothy 4:8*



## Obituary

Johnnie Mae was born May 2, 1927 in Milo, Oklahoma to Haston and Eliza Franklin. She was the 8th of 13 children. Johnnie Mae was raised in Milo, Oklahoma and graduated from Tatum High School in Tatum, Oklahoma.

She met Theopolous Howard in Ardmore, Oklahoma, as he recognized her as the woman he was going to marry and they were married October 15, 1950, in Love county. They moved to Oklahoma City and joined Tabernacle Baptist Church, where she was an active member of the Deaconess Board, the Usher Board, Sunday School, Flower Committee, and Kitchen Staff. Johnnie Mae was an active member until her home going.

Johnnie Mae loved gardening, fishing, sewing, cooking, and most of all, playing with her grandchildren and great grandchildren, and her loving family.

Johnnie Mae is preceded in death by her parents, five brothers and three sisters.

Johnnie Mae leaves to cherish her memory, her husband, Theopolous Howard; two sons, Harold and Terry (Cherrell); three daughters, Carol Carrethers, Sandra McDaniel and Linda Henderson (Steven); four sisters, Theresa Howard, Alma Douglas, Norvell, Green and Nadine Pickens (Glennon); ten grandchildren and nineteen great grandchildren; and a host of relatives and friends.

## Letting Go

*The angels gathered near your side  
So very close to you  
For they knew the pain and suffering  
you were going through  
I thought about so many things  
As I held tightly to your hand  
Oh, how I wished that you were strong  
and happy once again  
But your eyes were looking homeward  
To that place beyond the sky  
Where Jesus held His outstretched arms  
It was time to say good-bye  
I struggled with my selfish thoughts  
For I wanted you to stay  
So we could walk and talk again  
Like we did . . . just yesterday  
But Jesus knew the answer  
And I knew you loved Him so  
So I gave to you life's greatest gift  
The gift of letting go  
- Judith Bullock Morse*

## Order of Service

*Saturday, June 13, 2020 - 11:00 a.m.  
Tabernacle Baptist Church  
1829 Northeast 36th Street  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
Reverend Larry Crudup - Officiating*

Processional . . . . . Ministers, Funeral Directors, Family  
Song . . . . . Brother Keith Pickens (Nephew)  
Old Testament Reading . . . . . Reverend Edward Jefferson  
New Testament Reading . . . . . Reverend Larry Crudup  
Prayer . . . . . Reverend Frank McClarity  
Song . . . . . Sister Ava Bruner  
Resolutions . . . . . Reverend Larry Crudup  
Remarks . . Grandchildren: Terrell Howard & Patrice Tucker  
Great Grandchildren: Abbielle, Adrianna, Auryon Carrethers  
Song . . . . . Brother Keith Pickens (Nephew)  
Eulogy . . . . . Reverend Larry Crudup  
Video Tribute  
Benediction  
Recessional . . . . . Ministers, Funeral Directors, Family