



Mrs. Katie M. Durham

December 24, 1920 - September 21, 2015

Katie Mae Stokes Durham was born December 24, 1920 to the late Levi Contanch and the late Susie Cromwell in Robersonville, North Carolina. She departed this life on Monday, September 21, 2015.

Mother Durham was educated in the Public School System of Martin County.

Mother Durham was one of the founders Of The Way of The Cross Church in Williamston, NC and Robersonville, NC. She held numerous positions in the church: church secretary for many years, Missionary, Sunday School Teacher, Chief Correspondent and Reporter for the National Headquarters in Washington, DC, a play writer and sponsored various activities for the young people.

Mother Durham enjoyed vegetable and flower gardening, sewing, canning, quilting, a wiz at word finding puzzles, and an advocate reader. Watching western channels, the game show network, Jeopardy and Wheel of Fortune on TV was her favorite pastime activity. Being a comedian was a hidden talent of hers that we all enjoyed and will miss.

Mother Durham was a loving mother, grandmother, great grandmother and great-great grandmother who instilled in her children the will to succeed in life.

Mother Durham is preceded in death by her late husbands, Nathaniel Stokes, Sr. and Joe Lee Durham; sons, Nathaniel Stokes, Charlie Mack Stokes and Billy Stokes.

Mother Durham leaves to cherish her memory, seven children, Felton Stokes (Novella) of Irvington, NJ, Shirley Dodson (Leon) of Newark, NJ, George Stokes of Tarboro, NC, Catherine Kearney (James) of Louisburg, NC, Jarvis Stokes (Angeline) of Garner, NC, Masonic Stokes (Joyce) of Raleigh, NC, Alvin Stokes (Deborah) of Greensboro, NC; three daughters-in-law, Geneva Stokes of Fort Washington, MD, Edna Stokes of Newark, NJ, Evangelist Barbara Jean Stokes of Winterville, NC and Waldrof MD; twenty-four grandchildren; twenty-three great grandchildren; seven great-great grandchildren; two sisters, Ella V. McCloud and Eleanor Britton both of Portsmouth, VA; one nephew, Anthony Britton; niece, Kimberly Britton both of Portsmouth, VA, a host of other relatives, friends, and God children.

Cemetery Details

Robersonville Memorial Gardens

2418 C.L. Keel Road
Robersonville, NC 27871

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 26. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

St. John Missionary Baptist Church Soul-Saving Center
2921 Briery Swamp Road
Stokes, NC 27884

Service

SEP 26. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Katie M. Durham*

October 06, 2023 at 05:52 AM



“ *Love You Grandma Katie May*

Ced Stokes - September 16, 2018 at 05:57 PM



“ *Aunt Ethel Harris & Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie M. Durham*



Aunt Ethel Harris & Family - October 17, 2015 at 04:28 PM



“ *James Earl Yarrell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie M. Durham*



James Earl Yarrell - September 26, 2015 at 04:39 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Katie M. Durham.*



September 25, 2015 at 08:34 PM



“ *Rosie Moore lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie M. Durham*



Rosie Moore - September 25, 2015 at 07:39 PM



“ *At a time like this it's hard to find words to comfort anyone during such a difficult time. I want you to know that my prayers go out to you & your family. May be with you all & answer your every need during this time of need.*

*GOD Bless,
Fernice Shirden*

Fernice Shirden - September 25, 2015 at 06:04 PM



“ 99 files added to the album Life Tributes



Congleton Memorial Mortuary - September 25, 2015 at 01:53 PM

GR

“ To the Stokes family: Our thoughts and prayers are with during this time of sorrow, but remember that "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in time of trouble. (Psalm 46:1)

From: Gloria Ross, Mary Reynolds, James & Leroy Goss and Beatrice Brundridge of Flint, MI (Goss Family)



Gloria Ross - September 25, 2015 at 08:10 AM

GR

“ Gloria Ross lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie M. Durham



Gloria Ross - September 25, 2015 at 07:56 AM

EA

“ *Eleanor, Tony, Kim, AJ, and Arria purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Katie M. Durham.*



Eleanor, Tony, Kim, AJ, and Arria - September 24, 2015 at 09:36 PM

NH

“ *Norman Hale sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Katie M. Durham*



Norman Hale - September 24, 2015 at 09:12 PM

BP

“ *My thoughts and prayers goes out to the entire family. Praying and asking GOD to give you'll the strength doing this difficult time. Be encourage family.*



Barbara Peele-Matthewson - September 24, 2015 at 08:06 PM

BB

“ *Brother Jarvis and Sister Angeline, May God comfort your hearts and bless you and your family with endearing memories that your hearts will always remember. With Sympathy and Prayers,
Rev. William & Brenda Bryant
Knightdale, NC*



Brenda Bryant - September 24, 2015 at 07:18 PM

BB

“ *Sunday School Department- Springfield Baptist Church, Raleigh, NC*



Brenda Bryant - September 24, 2015 at 06:40 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Katie M. Durham.*



September 24, 2015 at 02:16 PM

SM

“ *Sonny And Sheri Merrill lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie M. Durham*



Sonny and Sheri Merrill - September 24, 2015 at 01:03 PM

KB

“ *Kimberly Britton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie M. Durham*



Kimberly Britton - September 24, 2015 at 10:21 AM

TH

“ *Tony, Ruby & Crystal Hawkins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie M. Durham*



Tony, Ruby & Crystal Hawkins - September 24, 2015 at 08:57 AM

EB

“ *Eleanor Britton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie M. Durham*



Eleanor Britton - September 23, 2015 at 07:32 PM

EB

I am blessed to have had you as my Big Sis.

Eleanor Britton - September 23, 2015 at 07:48 PM

PH

“ Patricia C Howell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie M. Durham



Patricia C Howell - September 23, 2015 at 11:12 AM

LE

“ Latosha Everett lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie M. Durham



Latosha Everett - September 23, 2015 at 11:07 AM

DA

“ Donnie Andrews lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Katie M. Durham



Donnie Andrews - September 23, 2015 at 10:57 AM