



## Mrs. Martha Strong

April 7, 1922 - June 30, 2020

Eldress Martha Ann Hines Strong was born on April 7, 1922 to the late Reverend Aaron Hines, Sr. and the late Vernisha Smith Hines. Eldress Strong was called from her earthly home to her eternal home in Heaven on Tuesday, June 30, 2020.

Eldress Martha Strong attended the Pitt County Schools and further her studies at Pitt Community College. She retired from E. B. Aycock Junior High School.

Eldress Martha Strong attended Bible Study Classes under the leadership of Eldress Ollie Harris and the Reverend J. L. Wilson. In life, Eldress Strong seek no high office, asking for no praise but thanked God each and every day for bringing her this far. Her favorite motto was: "Praise Him while you can, if you don't want to praise Him, move out of my way and let me praise Him." At age sixteen she joined The Haddock's Chapel F.W.B. Church under the leadership of the late Bishop W. L. Jones. Upon his leaving, Bishop Steven Jones became her pastor. Eldress Strong began working in the church as Mistress of Ceremony, member of the Senior Choir and served on the Mother Board. She served as the Advisor of the Northeast B Division Conference Women Department of the District #3 Union Meeting until her health failed. Eldress Strong was called into the ministry in June 1970. Her sermon was "The Implanted Word." Eldress Strong was the associate minister at Haddock's Chapel U.A.F.W Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Dr. Matthew Ward, Reverend Kenneth Joyner proceeded him.

Eldress Martha Strong married the love of her life, Bennie Edward Strong on February 11, 1942 and they shared seventy-one years together.

Eldress Martha Strong was preceded in death by her husband, Bennie Edward Strong; two sons, Willie and Ervin Strong; daughter-in-law, Barbara Strong; three sisters, Mother Rosa Gardner, Eldress Rana Council, Evangelist Eva Forbes; brother, Deacon Aaron Hines.

Eldress Martha Strong leaves to cherish her memories, five children, daughters, Deloris Whitehust (Dr. Jimmie) of Ayden, NC, Carol Cox of District Heights, MD; sons, Deacon Linwood Strong (Mother Francine), Melvin Strong all of Winterville, NC, Harvey Strong of Ayden, NC; daughter-in-law, Florence Strong of Winterville, NC; one sister, Mother Ella Atkinson of Ayden, NC; sister-in-law, Joan Hines of Kinston, NC; nineteen grandchildren; thirty-six great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Homestead Memorial Gardens

4251 E. 10th Street  
Greenville, NC 27858

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Martha Strong*

October 06, 2023 at 05:52 AM



“ *Sending my prayers and condolences you.  
May peace and strength be with you.*



**Glorius Leggett** - July 08, 2020 at 07:53 AM



“ *To -Delores Melvin Harvey and the entire Strong family our prayers goes out to you all will continue to keep you all in prayer Ms. Martha will be missed by many with love The Marrow Family*

**Elvie Marrow Phillips** - July 06, 2020 at 07:58 PM



“ *Elizabeth Gilbert lit a candle in memory of  
Mrs. Martha Strong*



**Elizabeth Gilbert** - July 05, 2020 at 08:30 PM

FD

“ *Floretta Dawson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha Strong*



---

**Floretta Dawson** - July 05, 2020 at 04:51 PM



“ *Helen Chapman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha Strong*



---

**Helen Chapman** - July 04, 2020 at 05:22 PM

BR

“ *Barbara Reaves lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha Strong*



---

**Barbara Reaves** - July 04, 2020 at 01:04 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Martha Strong.*



---

July 03, 2020 at 09:15 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Martha Strong.*



---

July 03, 2020 at 07:06 AM



“ *Gerelene Fleming Dixon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha Strong*



---

**Gerelene Fleming Dixon** - July 02, 2020 at 07:13 PM



“ *Congleton Funeral Home and Staff wishes to express our sincere condolence on the passing of your love one. We light this candle in their memory*



---

**Congleton Funeral Home and Staff** - July 01, 2020 at 05:38 PM



“ *To my family Aunt Martha will be missed but we have all the great memories and the wisdom that she left us to continue to grow on we know that she loved the Lord and her family so I say we must keep our heads high and keep praising God Gor she shared 98 wonderful years with us with my love. Eldress Doris Barnes*

---

**Eldress Doris Barnes** - July 01, 2020 at 02:36 PM

EJ

*To my friend Harvey and the family. You have my deepest and most sincere condolences. But we know that Miss Martha is resting in the arms of God. Hold on to the memories of her. They will sustain you in the days and months ahead. God bless you always*

*Edna Jennings  
Baltimore MD*

---

**Edna Jennings** - July 03, 2020 at 09:15 AM

JB

*To: The Strong Family:  
Linwood, Harvey and the entire Strong family members.  
Many years were shared with Linwood and Willie in Washington, D.C.  
With Harvey here in Carolina.  
Your mom was a beautiful spirit and she lived a fruitful life. Beautiful smile and always spoke words of wisdom to many.  
Sending condolences with a heart full of love to your family  
May God wrap you in his loving arms and help you to tunnel through, these difficult days ahead.*

*Mrs. Joyce A. Greene Benjamin (252-413-0506 or 301-535-7435*

---

**Joyce Greene Benjamin** - July 03, 2020 at 10:14 PM

EB

“ *Eldress Doris Barnes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha Strong*



---

**Eldress Doris Barnes** - July 01, 2020 at 02:32 PM

CP

“ *Charlotte S. Privott lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha Strong*



---

**Charlotte S. Privott** - July 01, 2020 at 02:25 PM

EH

“ *Evangelist Gwen Hudson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha Strong*



---

**Evangelist Gwen Hudson** - July 01, 2020 at 08:23 AM

HA

“ *HazelBrownDavis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha Strong*



---

**HazelBrownDavis** - June 30, 2020 at 07:42 PM