



Mrs. Annie Martha Butler

October 16, 1942 - November 21, 2025

Annie Martha Daniels Butler: Life of Faith, Dedication, Strength, and Grace

Annie Martha Daniels Butler, a devoted servant of her faith, family, and community, was born on October 16, 1942, in Birmingham, Alabama, to the late Sallie Mae Daniels and John Wesley Daniels. On November 21, 2025, she transitioned peacefully surrounded by family.

Annie's educational journey began in Birmingham before she and her mother relocated to Cleveland, Ohio. A bright and eager student, Annie excelled in her studies, graduating in 1960 from John Hay High Commercial School (now Cleveland Early College High School), where she completed the stenographer pathway that would launch her professional career.

Her deep and abiding faith was central to her life. In November 1954, Annie accepted Jesus as her Savior and was baptized at St Paul AME Zion Church in Cleveland, Ohio, where she served on the junior usher board. Her commitment to service continued when she joined and was baptized again at New Light Baptist Church in 1961. After moving to upstate New York, she attended Salvation Army Church, Second Baptist Church, and Randall Baptist Church. At Second Baptist Church, she embraced significant roles, serving as a deaconess, a Vacation Bible School teacher for fifth- and sixth- grade girls and boys, and a member of the drama team. Following a move to Decatur,

Georgia, her family joined Abundant Life Church (now Cross Culture Church) on Easter Sunday in 1984. Here, she dedicated herself to teaching and mentoring as a children's church worker, Sunday school teacher, Vacation Bible School teacher, and Connect Group leader. She developed lifelong relationships while serving in these roles.

Annie's professional life began shortly after high school graduation, where she first served as a secretary to the executive director of the Welfare Federation in Cleveland, Ohio. From August 1963 to December 1968, she held a pivotal role as coordinator and office manager at League Park Center, coordinating programs like Youth Corp and Head Start. In this role, she managed payroll, bookkeeping, and the annual budget; she supported six social workers, and supervised workers and exchange students from countries including India, Germany, and Sweden. It was during this time that she had the distinct honor of meeting and shaking the hand of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.---a memory she treasured and often recounted. She also met Jesse Jackson, who visited the League Park Center numerous times, and recalled the Black Panthers holding meetings there.

On August 6, 1960, Annie married Jerry Butler, embarking on a marriage that spanned 65 years. From this union, they welcomed three children: Jerry Jr., Lisa, and Shaun. After Lisa was born, Annie transitioned to her most cherished role as a stay-at-home mother, dedicating her time fully to her children. Each day before school, she made breakfast and packed lunches, preparing Lisa's peanut butter and jelly sandwich to perfection. She was a fixture on the sidelines as a devoted football mom and basketball and baseball fan for Shaun. She provided transportation for school, sports practices, tap, ballet, and piano lessons, and actively supported Girl Scouts as a Brownie mom and helped with Boy Scouts.

After the family moved to Decatur, Georgia, in 1983, Annie re-entered the

professional workforce. She began at Pitney Bowes as a receptionist and assistant to the manager in the mailing division. She later moved to the Imagistics division, processing orders for sales representatives. She retired in 2005 as a Senior Coordinator, supervising two employees.

In her spare time, Annie cultivated a passion for learning, collecting a wide selection of books on topics such as nutrition and spiritual guidance, which were among her most prized possessions. She also enjoyed experimenting with new recipes and cooking gadgets and was an avid fan of NBA basketball, often cheering and praying for her favorite players.

Annie Martha Butler was, in every sense, the epitome of a Proverbs 31 virtuous woman, leaving a legacy of faith, dedication, strength, and grace to those who had the pleasure of knowing her.

Annie was preceded in death by her father, John; her mother, Sallie; her sister, Josephine; and her son, Jerry Jr. She is survived by her husband, Jerry; her daughter, Lisa (Lingo); her son, Shaun; her grandsons, Jerry III, and Stephen; her great-grandson, Stephen Jr.; and a host of cherished uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Previous Events

Homegoing Celebration

DEC 6. 10:00 AM (ET)

Cross Culture Church
6440 Rock Springs Road
Stonecrest, GA 30038-1828

Burial

DEC 6 (ET)

Fairview Memorial
376 Fairview Road
Stockbridge, GA 30281-1042

Tribute Wall



“ *Red Rose And Lily Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Annie Martha Butler.*



December 05, 2025 at 12:53 AM



“ *Kimberly Butler lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie Martha Butler*



Kimberly Butler - December 04, 2025 at 01:06 PM



My auntie I'm glad you came to see me 2 years ago I'm glad I hugged you I'm glad I saw your last smile thank you for being my aunt rest in peace my love your niece Kimberly Butler

Kimberly Butler - December 04, 2025 at 01:07 PM

MB

“ My deepest sympathy to the Butler Family! Anne was one of my long time subscribers of a quarterly devotional book "The Word For You Today." She was also my friend. She will truly be missed. May the priceless precious memories of Anne be comforting and strengthening to you! Abide in GOD'S peace! Please know family you are in my thoughts and prayers!



Mary Barner, Founder and Wholistic Wellness Coordinator and Facilitator of FROM VICTIM 2 VICTORY

Mary C Barner - December 03, 2025 at 11:23 PM

VC

“ Vivian Carter-Evans lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie Martha Butler



Vivian Carter-Evans - December 03, 2025 at 06:20 PM

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“ Vanessa Carter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Annie Martha Butler



Vanessa Carter - December 02, 2025 at 11:10 PM



“ *Lavender & White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Annie Martha Butler.*



December 01, 2025 at 07:41 PM



“ *Mr and Mrs Larry and Jeannie Jackson. purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Mrs. Annie Martha Butler.*



Mr and Mrs Larry and Jeannie Jackson. - November 28, 2025 at 11:44 AM



“ *Butler Family, we are so sorry to hear about the passing of Ms. Butler. We can't help but smile when we think about the love and kindness she always showed our family. Know that we are keeping your family in our prayers.*

*Love,
Tony & Monica Miles*

Tony Miles - November 25, 2025 at 02:11 PM



Wow my precious Mrs. Butler i always like the way we shared our talks together and she called me one of her Daughters me and Dawn Thomas. Such an awesome woman of God I love the Butler Family so much love Erica Williams Jordan

Erica Jordan - November 28, 2025 at 06:19 PM