



Mrs. Ethel Fletcher McNeill

May 15, 1922 - May 13, 2023

Love is large and incredibly patient. Love is gentle and consistently kind to all. It refuses to be

jealous when blessings come to someone else. Love does not brag about ones achievements nor

inflate it's own importance. – 1Corinthians 13:4

Ethel McNeil, known by her family as “Mother”, fought the good fight, kept the faith, and

received her crown in glory on Saturday, May 13, 2023. Ethel was born on May 15th, 1922 in

Horatio, South Carolina to loving parents Lawrence and Lila Fletcher (Blanding). Ethel was the

oldest of their two children, brother Simone Fletcher (deceased). At an early age the family

moved to Southern Pines, NC where She graduated from West Southern Pines High School in 1939.

As a young girl, Ethel enjoyed collecting dolls and playing outdoors with her brother, cousins,

and friends. Her childhood home was described as a place of learning, laughter and consideration

for the well-being of others. In conversation she often recalled her mother setting aside a portion

of their meals for members of their extended family and or others in the community. Those experiences fostered a character of generosity, caring, and resilience. Ethel's desire for better opportunities and to build a better life influenced her decision to move to New York City. During her years of service as a Social Welfare Case Monitor for the City of New York, she improved the quality of life for numerous New Yorkers. She did this by auditing the services provided by New York City Human Resources assistants programs. These programs included, children's welfare, substance treatment, home health aid, meal preparation assistance, education of parents with young children, and improvements of disabled mobility recipients. She was a welfare advocate and an active member of District Council 37, known today as New York's largest employee union. As a member of DC37 she held the office of delegate for many years. As a delegate for DC37 her service helped keep workers informed of their benefits and employee rights. Ethel retired in 1988 after 30 plus years of dedicated service. Mother enjoyed living that city life. Not only did she work hard but she put forth the same energy supporting her personal social activities. Mother was a Harlem Socialite, she belonged to the Billy Walker Social Club. An organization based in Harlem, created to provide college scholarships to deserving young adults. She had many fond memories of making friends, attending and hosting social gatherings and creating recipes to cook for her

family and friends.

She enjoyed traveling and seeing sights. From family vacations, to numerous cruises and

Caribbean Island excursions. Her two most heartfelt travels were to Paris, France and seeing her

great-granddaughter graduate from high school in Ramstein, Germany with her entire family.

Mother loved God, and was a faithful member of Mount Horeb Baptist Church, where she served

as the President of the Convention Club. In 2009 Mother relocated to Lawrenceville, GA to be

closer to her great-grandchildren. Since moving to GA she has been a faithful member of New

Mercies Christian Church as a Crown Jewel and a Mother of Wisdom.

Mother leaves to cherish her memories: Her son William "Sonny" Stanback (Vanessa) of

Windsor CT and loved dearly her daughter Marion Ethel King (deceased). She also leaves her

legacy to seven grandchildren: Jullie Harris of New York, NY, Tracy Harris of Lawrenceville,

GA, Leah Smith (Jarvis) of Columbus, GA, Terry King (Maxine) of

Lawrenceville, GA, Linda

Burton (Eugene) of Pittsburgh, PA, Tyrone Stanback of Windsor, CT, Tremaine Standba

Tribute Wall

HW

“ Praying with the family of Mrs. McNeill. She was a beautiful person.

Hazel Woods - May 21, 2023 at 03:51 PM

CW

“ My sincere condolences to to you my Cousin Terry and the family for the loss of your Grandmother, Queen Ethel. She has gained her crown and may she rest peacefully until we all meet again at the Big Family Reunion in Heaven with Jesus as our host. 🌸👑😊🙏👉❤️
Sincerely, Carolyn Whye

Carolyn DeBerry Whye - May 20, 2023 at 05:32 AM

CA

“ My condolences to you and your family.

Coletta Anthony - May 19, 2023 at 12:34 PM

LC

“ Lesa Davis, DHHS co-worker planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Ethel Fletcher McNeill.

Lesa Davis, DHHS co-worker - May 19, 2023 at 11:55 AM

LC

“ Lesa Davis, DHHS co-worker purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Mrs. Ethel Fletcher McNeill.



Lesa Davis, DHHS co-worker - May 19, 2023 at 11:55 AM



“ [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ethel Fletcher McNeill.

May 18, 2023 at 04:02 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ethel Fletcher McNeill.



May 18, 2023 at 04:02 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ethel Fletcher McNeill.



May 18, 2023 at 03:24 PM



“ Cedric & Toni Walker purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Ethel Fletcher McNeill.



Cedric & Toni Walker - May 18, 2023 at 09:25 AM