



Rachel Burnett

January 3, 1930 - March 22, 2021

Rachel Burnett, age 91, of Stone Mountain, GA passed away on March 22, 2021. Memorial Service will be held Saturday April 10, 1PM in our chapel. Please express your condolences here on our website. Services entrusted to Gregory B Levett & Sons Funeral Homes-South Dekalb Chapel (404) 241-5656.

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Due to the COVID-19, a mask is required to enter the Chapel.

A Celebration of A Life Well Lived

After a long, blessed and beautiful life, Rachel Nelson Burnett, age 91, transitioned peacefully on March 22, 2021 when God embraced her in His arms and called her home while she resided at Emory Dekalb Medical Hospital in Decatur, Georgia. She was born on January 3, 1930 in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, the youngest of three children born to the late Clara Swinney Britton and the late Edgar Britton, her biological parents whose lives were loss when she was very young. Rachel was indeed blessed when adopted and lovingly raised by the late Alberta Britton Nelson and Forrest

Nelson, a loving couple who took on the responsibility for her upbringing. Her sister, Alice Harriet Britton Evans and brother, Lawler Britton preceded her in death.

Rachel accepted Christ at an early age and remained faithful throughout her life. After relocating to the Decatur/Stone Mountain area, she became a member of Emmanuel A.M.E. Zion Church. After the loss of her beloved husband, Edward Burnett of 31 years, she transferred her membership to Antioch A.M.E. Church, located in Stone Mountain, Georgia. Edward was a loving, committed and devoted husband and together they shared many joyful fun-filled years together.

Rachel was a spirited, outgoing, loving and kind person who never met a stranger. She enjoyed traveling, bowling, cooking, gardening, sewing, playing cards and scrabble. However, being a loving mom and Deaconess within the church was the most important thing to her.

She served as a Department of the Army civilian at several stateside military installations as an IT Administrator. She retired from the government after many years of faithful and devoted service.

Rachel demonstrated strength, devotion to family and genuine concern for their welfare while a former Army spouse for over 20 years. She kept her

family together, safe and supported amidst the many changes of duty stations, separations and deployments. She was the anchor and rock upon who her seven children depended. She stressed the importance of respect for others, faith in God and love for family and friends. Rachel's main goal in life and her most prized accomplishments was the success of her children. She placed high emphasis on education and ensured her children were reared to live successful adult lives. She was a mother to many and was highly respected and adored by all who were graced with her presence.

Rachel Burnett's memory and celebration of her legacy of love will be forever cherished by her seven children, Edgar Buchanan of Columbus, Georgia and his wife Joanne and children: Zuri, Bradley, Rashad, Rachel, and Tamara; Colonel (Ret.) Maurice Buchanan of Newnan, Georgia and his wife Loretta and children: Candra, Isaiah and David; Patrice Diamond of Stone Mountain, Georgia and her children: Carmen, Joy and Michael; Sharon Wilson of Stone Mountain, Georgia and her husband Gregory and children: Damien and Ryan; Andre Buchanan of Riverdale, Georgia and his children: Lamonte, Jamal and Mario; Dr. Brian Buchanan of Lithonia, Georgia and his wife Rahmelle and children: Zerita, Rachel, Rahmelle and Julian; Jeffrey Buchanan of Lithonia, Georgia and his wife Gabrielle and children: Nicole and Danielle; a nephew, Don Denard; two nieces: Debbie Delgado and Precious Dumas; 28 great-grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

Tribute Wall

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“ We would like to extend our condolences to the family. May the God of all comfort help to ease the pain of your grief. With caring thoughts.

Evans family - April 16, 2021 at 04:43 AM

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“ Mary Byrd Henderson - The Byrd Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Rachel Burnett.



Mary Byrd Henderson - The Byrd Family - April 08, 2021 at 12:59 PM



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“ I first met mom while I was still at Carver High School. I think it was before the trip we went on to MacDill Air Force Base for a drill competition. She met us at the door and I looked into the eyes of a beautiful, classy, warm and gracious lady that reminded me so much of my mom that I called her MOM ever since. Although it has been awhile since I have seen her, I never missed an opportunity to tell Mo, on his frequent visits, to tell her I said hello. My heart goes out to the Burnett/Buchanan families in your time of bereavement. Our loss is God's gain, for He has another angel in heaven with him.

Lester McCray - April 01, 2021 at 04:10 PM



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