



Mrs. Delphine Bouknight Lemon

April 8, 1949 - May 1, 2019

It is with great sadness that the family of Mrs. Delphine Bouknight Lemon, age 70, announces her passing which occurred on Wednesday, May 1, 2019, at Duke Hospital.

Mrs. Delphine Bouknight Lemon was born April 8, 1949, in Charlotte, North Carolina, to the late Maxcy and Rosetta Laney Bouknight. She departed this life on May 1, 2019, after struggling with complications from the Influenza B virus.

After migrating from South Carolina to accept a job at Liggett & Myers Tobacco Company, Maxcy Bouknight, and his wife Rosetta, moved their family to Durham, North Carolina. Delphine and her siblings would then be raised by both of their parents in Hayti; the historic African American community in Durham, North Carolina. She attended Durham City Schools and was a graduate of the Hillside High School Class of 1967.

Following graduation from high school, Delphine enrolled in, and successfully completed nursing school at the Watts School of Nursing. She was employed as a Licensed Practitioner Nurse (LPN) at Duke University Hospital, and the VA Medical Center, where she later retired. Delphine undoubtedly loved the Lord. She was a praying woman who often encouraged her family to gain their own personal relationship with the Lord! She joined First Calvary Baptist

Church at a young age and remained an active member until she became ill.

Among her many interests, Delphine especially enjoyed family gatherings (the last would be her surprise 70th birthday celebration, just three weeks prior), watching her favorite T.V. program - Law and Order, crossword puzzles, and reminiscing about the days of old with her family. She was the consummate disciplinarian, supporter, fan, advocate and "sounding board" to each of her nieces and nephews. She was also known to be strong willed and vocally direct; personifying the phrase, "it is as said, what I said, kind of day", #noFilter!

Delphine was preceded in death by her husband, Emory Lemon; her parents, Maxcy and Rosetta Laney Bouknight; sisters, Vivian Bouknight Reaves and Maxine Bouknight Alston; and brother, Deacon Marcus Bouknight.

She is survived by goddaughters, Connie and Regina (Everette); godbrother, Greg Grayson (Hazel); godsister, Sarah Mangum; one aunt, Lillie Mae Nelson; one sister-in-law, Antoinette D. Bouknight; nieces, Sheritha Bumpass Dash, Mo'nika Bumpass Dixon (Terry), Alysha Bouknight Miller (Toni), Kimberly McAllister and Lovita Bouknight; nephews, Jerry Bumpass, Jr. (Lynikka) and Joseph "Shaun" Alston; great nieces, Shonta Nicholson, Attiana O'Neal, Jennifer Lopez, Jazmen Bumpass, Caniya McAllister, Toni Johnson, Tabitha Evans, Imani Dixon, Jada Bumpass and Simeria Tate; great nephews, Maxcy Nicholson, Jerry Bumpass, III, Joshua Nicholson, Jahlieel Bouknight, JaMel Generette, Caden Noel, J'Mauri Bumpass, Zachariah Rogers, Jerryon Bumpass, Jerias Bumpass Coaxum, Daniel Bumpass, TyShaun Lee, Michael Nicholson, Jr., Janavious Tate and Joseph Alston.

Funeral services will take place at First Calvary Baptist Church, 1311 Morehead Avenue, Durham, North Carolina, 27707, at 12:00 noon on Tuesday, May 7, 2019. A family visitation will begin one hour prior to the service.

Mrs. Delphine Bouknight Lemon will be laid to rest in Glenview Memorial Park.

Cemetery Details

Glennview Memorial Park

NC Hwy 55
Durham, NC 27713
(919) 596-8102

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

First Calvary Baptist Church
1311 Morehead Ave
Durham, NC 27707
info@firstcalvary.org
<http://firstcalvary.org>

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Delphine Bouknight Lemon*

October 05, 2023 at 11:31 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Mrs. Delphine Bouknight Lemon.*



May 06, 2019 at 04:08 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Delphine Bouknight Lemon.*



May 06, 2019 at 12:48 PM



“ *My condolences to the family of my Hillside classmate, Delphine. Eternity is now your home with our Father 🕊️*

*Algeria Hardy Brown
Ft. Worth, TX*

Algeria Hardy Brown - May 04, 2019 at 10:29 PM

MD

*Thank you so much.
Mo'nika, niece*

Mo'nika Bumpass Dixon - May 04, 2019 at 11:31 PM

AD

“ *May you be comforted in the many memories of your Aunt Del.. Sis. Delphine will be missed, she fought a good fight, she always had some stories to tell...may she rest in peace. Allen & Sharyn Davis*

allend davis - May 04, 2019 at 08:35 PM

MD

*Thank you. She loved her FCBC Deacon family! Deacon Al & Deaconess Sharyn, thanks for your well check visits, calls, and prayers for my beloved Aunt Del!
Mo'nika*

Mo'nika Bumpass Dixon - May 04, 2019 at 11:40 PM



“ *Fannie Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Delphine Bouknight Lemon*



Fannie Wilson - May 03, 2019 at 09:33 PM



Sorry to hear about the loss of your love one 🙏🙏 are with you, Delphine and I grew up together in the old hayti area

Fannie Wilson - May 03, 2019 at 09:37 PM

MD

*Thank you so much for your prayers of comfort.
Mo'nika Dixon, niece*

Mo'nika Bumpass Dixon - May 04, 2019 at 08:48 AM

CB

“ Carolyn Brodie lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Delphine Bouknight Lemon



Carolyn Brodie - May 03, 2019 at 05:15 PM

MD

Thank you so much!
Mo'nika Dixon, niece

Mo'nika Bumpass Dixon - May 04, 2019 at 08:48 AM