



Mrs. Eva Hattie Malette

April 15, 1923 - September 22, 2022

On Thursday, September 22, 2022, Mrs. Eva Hattie Watson Malette, age 99, departed this life at Duke Hock Family Pavilion. With deep remorse, the family acknowledges her transitioning to eternal life.

Eva Hattie Watson Malette was born on April 15, 1923, to George Weldon Watson, Sr. and Sarah Lineberry Watson in Chatham County in the small town of Siler City, North Carolina. She was the eighth of nine children and their fourth daughter. She was preceded in death by her siblings; Roosevelt, Elmo, Weldon, Robert, Delois, Ada, Kara, and Maezelle.

Eva grew up in the loving care of a large family on the Watson Family land. Eva was a quiet and strong woman of faith who looked for opportunities to help others. She grew up attending Gees Grove A.M.E. Zion Church and Sunday School with her family. She attended the Chatham County Training High where she completed 11th grade, the highest level at that time. After graduating in 1941, she briefly moved to Durham, North Carolina and subsequently relocated to Philadelphia, PA to work.

She eventually settled in Durham, North Carolina and later met and married Earle Malette and out of their union they had three children, oldest son, Stanford, daughter, Belinda, and youngest son, David. Eva and Earle were married 27 years before his passing in 1974.

Her earliest employment began with her working at Watts Hospital and Duke University. She was later employed at the Blair House and Amphenol until her retirement. She was a loving, devoted, and self-sacrificing mother, grandmother, and friend. She was an avid gardener and took great pleasure in preparing delicious meals for family gatherings; and she loved to shop. She was very meticulous about her appearance and the cleanliness of her house. She had a wonderful sense of humor and loved talking to family and friends about interesting news stories.

Eva worshiped as a long-standing member of Russell Memorial C.M.E. Church and served as a Missionary for many years. She gained many lifelong friendships as a result

of attending her beloved church.

Eva was a very humble and sweet spirited person with a big heart, and lots of wisdom - she will be greatly missed.

Eva leaves to cherish her memory three children, daughter, Belinda Malette and sons, Stanford Malette and David Malette; six grandchildren, Derrick, Tiphani, Michael, David, Jr., Alisa and Jaavid Malette; Mitchell Irving of Raleigh, North Carolina; several great grandchildren, of note: Nortica and Katiya Jones, Alia, Mia, and Bria Bell, Jewel Malette, and Jakeal Foster - and great-great grandchildren, Austin, Kai'lee, and A'mora Jones; one daughter-in-law Charlotte Malette, and grandson-in-law Kambui Bell.

Many fond and happy times will be remembered by her host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and neighbors.

Homegoing services to celebrate the life of Mrs. Eva Hattie Watson Malette are scheduled for Monday, October 3, 2022, at Russell Memorial CME Church, 703 S Alston Ave., Durham, North Carolina 27701, at 12:00 noon, with viewing from 11:00 a.m. - 11:55 a.m.

To view the Celebration of Life Service for Mrs. Eva Hattie Malette through Zoom Live Stream:

Please click the link below to join the webinar,

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84624266780?>

Webinar ID: 846 2426 6780

Passcode: 350332

Cemetery Details

Glennview Memorial Park

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

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 3. 11:00 AM - 11:55 AM (ET)

Russell Memorial CME Church
703 S Alston Ave
Durham, NC 27701
(919) 682-2523
adrian@russellmemorial.com
<http://www.russellmemorial.com>

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Eva Hattie Malette*

October 05, 2023 at 11:31 AM

MW

“ *Sincere prayers & condolences to the family.*

The Womble Family



Marilyn Womble - October 02, 2022 at 05:41 PM

GT

“ *Sharing in your sorrow today. I thank God for the love she poured into my son during his time with her in his formative years 🍷*

Gayle Taliaferro

Gayle A Taliaferro - October 02, 2022 at 05:16 AM

TB

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the Malette Family!*

Tonya Barnes - October 01, 2022 at 05:00 PM

RJ

“ *My dear Aunt Eva, I will miss all of long talks about our favorite shows. I am so thankful to God that we were able to come see you this year. Rest well with our mother. Love always ❤️ Renee'*



Renee Jackson - October 01, 2022 at 10:17 AM

NT

“ *Our heart felt sympathy goes out to the family of Deputy Commosioner Malette and her family. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

NC Department of Transportation - September 30, 2022 at 02:37 AM

CM

“ Mom, words can not convey how blessed and honored I was to have you in my life. Your love, kindness, patience and wisdom are things I will always cherish. Thank you for blessing me with my greatest gift ever. Rest easy now, our sweet angel until we meet again. I love you.

Charlotte Malette - September 30, 2022 at 02:30 AM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Eva Hattie Malette.



September 28, 2022 at 07:52 PM

CM

“ Condolences to the family. May her legacy live on through you.



Carla McKoy - September 28, 2022 at 12:38 PM

RL

“ To my son in-law David I am so sorry to hear about your Mother going to miss her very much and to my Daughter Renee I know byyou will Miss her she so sweet and kind and always full of Joy I love Y'all Mother she my best friend we had a good together in our place were we sit eat drink tea or soda this your Girl that she call me you walk tall and feed your baby make some good pies I love you foreverRuth little

Ruth little - September 28, 2022 at 10:22 AM

KW

I will miss Mrs malette. Keith wilson

Keith Wilson - September 28, 2022 at 06:17 PM

RL

“ *Ruth Little lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Eva Hattie Malette*



Ruth little - September 28, 2022 at 10:04 AM

NJ

“ *Grandma (Mother) I love you dearly. It's sad to see you leave us. I know you're no longer in any pain. Get your rest mama !*



Nortica Jones - September 27, 2022 at 01:45 PM

TD

“ *Thaddeus Daniels lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Eva Hattie Malette*



Thaddeus Daniels - September 26, 2022 at 09:21 AM

PG

Sending my love and prayers to the Malette Family. Ms Malette was a beautiful inside and out. She will be missed. Tiphani Malette Bell, you are awesome because I know that your grandmother loved how you help took care of her with the family. Ms Malette will truly be missed. ❤️❤️❤️🙏🙏

Patricia Gause - September 28, 2022 at 11:01 AM