

Celebrating The Life Of



Anna Lucile Edwards

Sunday, November 29, 2020

1:00 p.m.

Front Lawn

330 Boo Cosby Road ~ Americus, Georgia

Pastor George Monts, Officiating



A Life Well-Lived

No matter what our lives are like now, if we love Jesus and believe in His heart for this world, knowing and sharing is essential as Christian. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works which God prepared in advance for us to do. (Ephesians 2:10)

Anna Lucile Monts, was born in Sumter County, Georgia on August 29, 1936, to the parentage of the late **Mr. George Costell Monts** and **Mrs. Lucille Ross Monts**.

On **March 18, 1961**, Anna and Walter Edwards were married and started their blended family of a quintet of girls. Their union produced Florine, Bertha, Annie, Carolyn, Sabrina, and their baby, the late Latonya Hurley-Larkins. At an early age, she joined Bethlehem Baptist Church where she served as a good and faithful servant.

Anna was an incredibly kind and generous person. She worked hard to raise her family and was always there for them when they need her. As a mother, she taught her daughters and grandchildren many things as young children that hold them in good stead today—good manners, respect, a love for God and sound moral values.

Coming from a large family, she knew time waited on no one. Anna was the quintessential Drill Sergeant, aka Task Master. Her orders were, "Up, ready, set, and march! She was up bright and early every morning "slamming cabinet doors and clanging pots and pans" as a signal, it was time to start your day. "Quiet as a mouse" certainly did not apply to Anna; she was more like "an elephant in a china shop!" She faithfully prepared a hot breakfast every morning to begin the day. She made sure her children worked, played, and studied hard. There were no excuses, just opportunities to get it right or try again. So, if peas were not picked and shelled, yards swept, beds made, or floors mopped, you got it doubled the next day with the aid of a switch. Many days, if it were not for the Lord and "their Daddy's Chevrolet pulling in the yard," have mercy upon their "Glory."

Although Anna was a no-nonsense kind of woman, anyone in her presence couldn't help but observe her compassion towards her family, siblings, and neighbors, especially when going through hard times. She sacrificed her time and through selfless acts of kindness aided anyone in need. Her kindness instantly made you feel appreciated and valued by someone who genuinely cared. Even when she had her hands full caring for her husband and grandchildren, Anna was always willing to help those who needed assistance.

There are so many things that we, her children, have learned and applied to our lives from our wise mother who endured the wiles of life. In our younger days, we could not comprehend how much time and care she put into her family. Now that we are on our own, we can truly appreciate the amount of effort she put into raising us and for this we will always be appreciative. These values have made each of us who we are and we thank her so very, very much.

On November 26, 2020, Anna departed from the place she and her late husband called home. We can only imagine she was greeted by the sweet spirits who preceded her in death: her devoted husband Walter; their oldest daughter, Florine White Laster; her siblings: Elizabeth Terry, Margaret Perpall, McArthur, George Frank, Marvin and Albert Monts; cousin, Eddie Rhea Walker; and son in-law, Connie V. Ford.

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. (Revelation 21:4)

She will forever live on in the hearts of her son, Walter Randolph Wooden; grandchildren: David Laster, Calvin Laster, Christal Blalock, Walter Simmons, Cassandra Covington, Joshua Howard, Kayla Howard, Deshavia Davis and Kennedi Howard; devoted great-grandchildren: Christian, Gabrielle, Tabious, and Egypt Laster and Bria and Justin Blalock; son-in-law, Ralph Covington; sisters: Mary Jackson, Edna Jones, and Earnestine Jackson; brothers: John (Ida) Monts, David and Williams Monts, and Ed (Juanita) Ross; sister in-law, Martha Edwards. Her life could not have been more bountiful if not for the love and dedication of Mark Tullis, and their caregiver/daughter, Emma Wright.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional.....Led By Pastor George Monts and The Family

Hymn.....Lawrence Gay

Prayer.....Ralph Morgan

Selection.....Erma Fish

New Testament.....Joshua Howard

Old Testament.....Walter Wooden

Selection.....Takieya Johnson

My Christian Walk.....Ralph Morgan

God-Given Devout Son.....Mark Tellis

Delivery of Blessedness.....Eric Bryant, Nephew

Song.....Takieya Johnson

Eulogy.....Pastor George Monts

Acknowledgements.....Staff of West's Mortuary

Recessional

Committal and Interment

St. Paul A.M.E. Church Cemetery
Smithville, Georgia

Pallbearers

David Lee Laster, Jr.
Donta Monts
John Monts

Morris Paul Edwards
James Burton, Jr.
Torrence Burney

Acknowledgements

Our family is truly grateful to each of you for all the prayers, love and kindness extended to us during the illness and passing of our dear love one, Mrs. Anna Lucile Monts Edwards. We will miss her dearly. Our hearts are overwhelmed by the expressions of sympathy you have shown us. It has been a comforting blessing to our family.

We pray God's richest blessings upon you!