

Life Reflections

Ida Lee Lester was born on December 16, 1929 in Vaughn, Mississippi to Henry Barton and Minnie Mae Williams. She was the first born of eight children. Ida's parents; her son Thomas Lester, daughter Doris Lester (Brown), James Earl Anderson, Cevin Sharboneau, Rueben Anderson, all proceeded her in death.

Ida was educated in the Mississippi Public School System. She confessed a hope in Christ at an early age under the patronage of late Reverend Washington of the Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church. She was a faithful member where she enjoyed singing in the choir.

Ida was united in holy matrimony to Theoda Lester Sr. on December 7, 1945. To this union three sons and four daughters were born. Two children preceded her in death: Doris Lester (Brown), Thomas Lester (Kadumu) Jacqueline Lester.

She was an avid pool player, enjoyed long walks in the park, dancing, fishing, singing, and listening to Reggae and the Blues. She could be heard doing impersonations of Ray Charles. She was affectionally known as 'Grand Mama Lester' during her longtime membership and support of the Organization for Black Struggle.

Ida leaves to cherish her memories: five children, Theoda Lester Jr.(Kalimu Endesha), Saundra Armstrong, Denise Muhammad,(Kim) Judy Bratton,(Cecil) and Lajuan Lester.

Three brothers and two sisters: William Anderson, Arma Lewis, Ann Starks, eighteen grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, several great, great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

P R E L U D E

P R O C E S S I O N A L

W E L C O M E

**A C K N O W L E D G E M E N T &
C O N D O L E N C E**

**R E M A R K S - F A M I L Y &
F R I E N D S**

**L I F E R E F L E C T I O N S (R E A D I N
S I L E N C E T O S O F T M U S I C)**

T R I B U T E : J A M A L A R O G G E R S

C L O S I N G S E L E C T I O N

P A R T I N G V I E W

R E C E S S I O N A L

The family of Grand Ma Ida Lester wishes to extend sincere thanks and deep gratitude for the many expressions of sympathy and acts of kindness and consideration shown during these times of much respect.



Feel no guilt in laughter, she'd know
how much you care

Feel no guilt in laughter, she'd know how much you care.
Feel no sorrow in a smile that she is not here to share.
You cannot grieve forever; she would not want you to.
She'd hope that you could carry on the way you always do.
So, talk about the good times and the way you showed you cared,
The days you spent together, all the happiness shared.
Let memories surround you, a word someone may say
Will suddenly recapture a time, an hour, a day,
that brings her back as clearly as though she were still here,
And fills you with the feeling that she is always near.
For if you keep those moments, you will never be apart
And she will live forever locked safely within your heart.

Services Entrusted To:
Professional Funeral Director Services & Crematory, Inc.
6808 West Florissant Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63136



IN LOVING MEMORY

Ida Lee Lester

December 16, 1929 - January 9, 2021



Saturday, January 16, 2021 at 12 Noon
Greater St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church
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Saint Louis, Missouri 63120
(314) 383-6845