



Mrs. Frances Harper

April 28, 1925 - July 19, 2017

Funeral service for Mrs. Frances Drake Harper, 92, of Auburn, AL will be held at 1:00 pm Monday, July 24, 2017 at Auburn AME Zion Church with interment in Baptist Hill Cemetery. Rev. Dr. Stephen Faulk will officiate.

Mrs. Harper passed away Wednesday, July 19, 2017 at her home. She was a member of Auburn AME Zion Church. She faithfully served as a member of the Women's Home and Overseas Missionary Society, Deaconess Board, Building Fund Committee, Willing Workers Club, Quarterly Conference, Senior Choir, Gospel Choir, Sanctuary Choir, Mass Choir, Church Historian and Program Planning Committee. Because of her faithful service, she was inducted into the Auburn Zion Hall of Fame in 2015.

In 1943, she graduated from Lee County Training School. After high school, she earned a Bachelors of Science Degree in Elementary Education from Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical College (known today as Alabama A&M University) in Huntsville, Alabama. She later received her teaching certification from Tuskegee Institute (known today as Tuskegee University), Tuskegee, Alabama. In years to follow, she earned a Masters of Education from Alabama State University, Montgomery, Alabama. Until her retirement in 1981, Mrs. Harper was a public school teacher for Lee County School System. She taught at Wacoochee School and Smith Station Elementary School

Survivors: two daughters, Elaine Wright of Opelika, AL and Tyra (James) Woods of Sylacauga, AL; two grandchildren, Keneesha Kaplen of Phenix City, AL and Charmel (Takeema) Jones of Jasper, AL; four great-grandchildren, Kahlia Jones, Rachel Kalpen, Chyna Jones, and Caleb Jones; two nieces, Alfreda Drake of Decatur, GA and Stephanie Drake of Kingman, Arizona; a special nephew, Melvin K. Smith, Auburn, AL; a great nephew, Illya (Erica) Card, Auburn, AL; special friends, Ruby Maddox Cole, Shirley Cooper, Juanita Crawford, Dora Lockhart, and Wanda McPherson; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 23. 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Peterson and Williams Funeral Home
1016 McCoy Street
Opelika, AL 36801
(334) 745-6473
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Lie in state

JUL 24. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Auburn A.M.E. Zion Church
576 Martin Luther King Drive
Auburn, AL 36830

Service

JUL 24. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Peterson and Williams Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Frances Harper



Peterson and Williams Funeral Home - July 24, 2017 at 10:10 AM



“ Mrs. Frances Harper

January 29, 2023 at 11:13 AM



“ Angela Debrow-Alexander lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Frances Harper



Angela Debrow-Alexander - July 24, 2017 at 01:18 AM



“ 59 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Peterson and Williams Funeral Home - July 23, 2017 at 11:03 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Frances Harper.



July 22, 2017 at 05:47 PM



“ *Larry Frazier lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Frances Harper*



Larry Frazier - July 22, 2017 at 12:30 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mrs. Frances Harper.* ”



July 21, 2017 at 03:09 PM