

*A
Celebration
of Life*
for the late

Marie McPherson Grant

Sunrise
February 17, 1914

Sunset
December 1, 2012



Thursday, December 6, 2012

11:00 AM

St. Stephen H. M. E. Church

2840 Maybank Highway

Johns Island, South Carolina

Reverend W. Brooks Harrison, Pastor

Life's Precious Memories

A Tribute to Our Mother and Grandmother

Obituary / Order of Service

Obituary

Marie McPherson Grant 'Mariee', the daughter of the late Christopher and Elila Choice McPherson, was born February 14, 1914. She was the youngest of seven children.

Marie received her education in the public schools on John Island. She received her B. (Born) A. (Again) Degree in 1932.

On July 24, 1932, she was united in holy matrimony to Reverend Henry Grant and to this union they were blessed with twelve children, eight preceded her in death.

On Saturday, December 1, 2012, the Angels received the order to bring yet another angel home after "98" years of hard work, gardening, taking care of her children, children of the community, family members, friends and even strangers who appeared at her door.

Marie never lost sight of the needs of others. Never at a loss for words or expression that clearly informed you of her opinion or viewpoint, she always gave words of kindness and encouragement.

Marie was truly a diplomat. She had an uncanny wit and sense of humor, but also a quiet wisdom that allowed her to share her faith and insight on issues and events. She was actively involved in the Intergenerational Center of Johns Island. At the center she taught the younger people quilt making techniques.

This Matriarch believed in feeding everyone who entered her home her famous "Hop and John," Biscuits, Bread Pudding, Fruit Cakes, and Apple and Pear Pie. Everything she cooked was devoured, and people always came back for more.

She leaves to celebrate her life her children, Eddie Grant of Charleston, SC, Edith Harris of Charlotte, NC, Marie Thelma Simmons (Joseph) of Johns Island and Laurence 'Fonzo' Grant (Stephanie) of Rialto, CA; a devoted grandson, Herbert Jerome Grant (Evelina) of Johns Island; one loving and devoted daughter-in-law, Helen Grant; beloved neighbor and friend, Mrs. Henrietta S. Choice, twenty-one grandchildren, forty-five great grandchildren; sixteen great great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Reverend W. Brooks Harrison, Officiating

Prelude.....	Licentiate Margie Claborn, Organist
Processional/Final Viewing.....	"Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross"
Hymn #227.....	"Come Ye Disconsolate".....St. Stephen Choir
Prayer.....	Reverend Bernard E. Johnson St. Matthew A. M. E. Church, Johns Island, SC
Response.....	"I Am Free"
Solo.....	Bro. John & Elizabeth Rivers "May the Work I've Done Speak for Me"
Scripture Readings:	
Old Testament...Proverbs 31:10-31....	Min. David C. Johnson Rutledge Avenue Church of Christ
New Testament....II Timothy 4:6-8.....	Rev. Nathalee Nelson Trinity A. M. E. Church, Round O, SC
Remarks.....	Bro. John Rivers, Class Leader #1 Sis. Henrietta Choice, Community Sis. Margorie Grant, Family
Selection.....	St. Stephen A. M. E. Church Prayer Warriors
Resolution.....	Sis Laverne Brown, Cousin
Eulogistic Hymn.....	"When I Can Read My Title Clear"
Eulogy.....	Reverend W. Brooks Harrison St. Stephen A. M. E. Choir
Committal.....	At the Gravesite
Benediction	
Recessional	

~Interment~

St. Stephen A. M. E. Church Cemetery
Johns Island, South Carolina

A New Home

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Grand Momma received her official crown
on Saturday, December 1, 2012.
Her granddaughters are honoring her
by wearing one of her many hats.

Grandma you were pure
ROYALTY!

We love you,
Your Grandchildren



Mother

Your battles of life are over
Your work on earth is done
Your new life in Glory has only just begun.
But the Loved ones you left
With tears in their eyes, some confused, some angry,
And some caught by surprise
Your smile will be missing.
We'll hear your laughter no more
Yes, it's hard to accept
But we can all rest assure
That God with His great wisdom,
He knows what is best
So he chose that very day and time
To give you peace and rest!
We'll treasure the time spent together
And even those when we were apart
From this life you've physically absent
But in spirit, you'll always be in our heart.
The Family

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A Tribute to Marie Grant



Years of wisdom shred.
 Lessons taught while biscuits baked,
 an angel on earth.
 God's beautiful gift.
 Harvested fields of favor,
 a woman who cared.
 Cherished matriarch,
 soul of southern traditions
 wrapped in quilts of love.
 Selfless in her ways.
 Mother to many, a saint
 sent to bless this world.

~ Pallbearers ~

Theodore Grant
Darnell Brown
Joseph Simmons, Jr.

Herbert Jerome Grant
Robert Lee Simmons
Lloyd C. Choice

Honorary Pallbearers

Eddie Grant
Lawrence Grant
Christopher Gadsden

Joseph V. Simmons
Richard Brown
Joseph Chisolm

~ Floral Bearers ~

The Ushers of St. Stephen and St. Matthew A. M. E. Churches

~ Acknowledgements ~

The family of

Marie McPherson Grant

wishes to express their deepest love and gratitude to all who have touch our hearts with the many acts of kindness shown during their time of breavement.

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