

Remember Me

1959 ~ MS. ELLA MAE WILKERSON ~ 2025

To the living, I am gone. To the sorrowful, I will never return.
To the angry, I was cheated, but to the HAPPY, I am at PEACE,
and to the faithful, I have never left.

I cannot speak, but I can listen. I cannot be seen, but I can be heard.

So, as you stand upon a shoring gazing at a beautiful sea,
as you look upon a flower and admire its simplicity, REMEMBER ME.

Remember me in your heart: your thoughts and your memories

of the times we loved, the times we cried,
the times we fought, the times we laughed.

For if you always think of me, I will have never gone.

Earthly Place of Rest | Eastview Cemetery
802 Ashby Street, Americus, GA 31709

Pallbearers: Nephews
Flower Attendants: Nieces

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Jesus promised us they who mourned would be comforted.

During our hours of bereavement this promise has been fulfilled by you,
our kind and loving friends and neighbors. THANK YOU for each coming
to help us bear our grief. Your calls, visits, prayers, and kindness in acts
and deeds during the passing of our loved one shall never be forgotten.

The Family

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CELEBRATION *of* LIFE

Sunrise: July 25, 1959

Sunset: June 10, 2025



Ella MAE WILKERSON

Tuesday, June 17, 2025
11:00 a.m.

Williams Road Church of Christ
110 Williams Road, Americus, Georgia 31709

Eulogist: Brother Isaiah Blackshear

The Order of Service

Processional led by Brother Isaiah Blackshear

Last Glance and Final Closure

Hymn Brother Mike Ryan

Prayer Brother Robert Major

Scripture
Old Testament Brother Pete Novak
New Testament Brother Thomas Bell

Reflections
Sister Beulah Ross
Brother Justin Laster
Brother Robert Major

Selection Brother Mike Ryan

Eulogy Brother Isaiah Blackshear
Gaines Avenue Church of Christ | Albany, GA

Acknowledgements
and Presentation
of the Family Bible Barnum Staff

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or to silent mode during the services. Thank you.*

The Obituary

Ms. Ella Mae Wilkerson was born in Americus, Sumter County, Georgia on July 25, 1959. She was the youngest child of the late Ms. Annie Lou Wilkerson. At an early age, she joined the Mt. Salem Baptist Church. She received her education in the public schools of Sumter County and was a graduate of the Plains High School Class of 1977. She always thought she was “special” and didn’t have to work, which she did not do “much” of. She worked short times at Belk’s and Woodgrain Moulding and volunteered at Mental Flint.

Ella is preceded in death by a brother, Ronnie Wilkerson and her grandparents, Obie and Mittie Lee Wilkerson.

Ella never met a stranger, and she would be seen walking the streets of Americus, where she enjoyed meeting and talking with people.

She gave birth to a beautiful, brilliant, and life-long learner, her son, Dr. Shannon Wilkerson, who blessed her with a cherished granddaughter, Zuri Elizabeth, both of Austell, GA; memories will also be cherished forever by her siblings: Mrs. Betty (Thomas) Bell, Mr. Willie “Pop” Laster— her favorite; Mr. Kenny (Louise) Wilkerson, Mr. Ralph Wilkerson, all of Americus, GA and Mr. David Laster and companion, JoAnn of Albany, GA; her aunt, Ms. Elizabeth “Boo” Wilkerson and uncle, Mr. Hollis Douglas, both of Americus, GA; a host of devoted nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends, including special friends: Mr. James & Beulah Ross, Ms. Shirley Smith and Ms. Veronica Evans also survive.

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