



Lydia Groom

October 19, 1921 - December 8, 2007

LYDIA ADDISON-GROOM, fondly known as Dude, daughter of the late Clinton and Matilda Addison, was born on October 19, 1921, in Pinesville, South Carolina, the oldest of five children. Her brothers, Capers and Samuel preceded her to eternal rest. Lydia was named after her late aunt, Lydia Jefferson Dingle. At time to sleep Lydia fought a good fight and made a victorious entrance into the presence of the Lord on Saturday, December 8, 2007. Lydia received her primary education in the public school system of S.C. While in high school, Lydia became a Sunday School Teacher at Day Dawn Baptist Church in Pinesville; which was founded by her grandfather the late Rev. John Jefferson. After graduating from High School, she went to Charleston, S.C. and studied Cosmetology. From there she went to South Carolina State College in Orangeburg and received a degree in Home Economics. From there she went to Morris College in Sumpter, S.C. Lydia was a Harriett Tubman and a Sojourner Truth to all she met and grew to know. She taught that one mistake does not mean it's over, that no one is better than you, but you are not better than anyone either, that everyone is the same, to always follow your dreams and that silence can also be golden. She is remember by her sisters as always humming. Walk with me Lord, Walk with me Lord, Walk with me while I am on this treaious journey. I want Jesus to walk with me. Lydia had a very calm disposition and never raised her voice any higher than a whisper. She loved the Lord and always took a servitiute position in the church. A time to love Lydia met David Groom while at Morris

College and shortly after, they married and relocated to Baltimore, MD. Later, she was joined by her newly wed, baby sister, Pearl, who married David's brother. Lydia had seven children who she loved so much. One, Matilda Joretta Alexander, preceded her to eternal life. Lydia and David resided close to Morgan State College and began the process of opening their home to many of the young men and women who came from S.C. to attend Morgan. She began to advocate for others and became very active in political issues in her city and community. A time to share... Lydia was employed at the post office while living in S.C. She also operated a beauty shop within her parent's home for a short period of time. When she moved to Baltimore, she worked at what was once known as Bay College and worked with her husband at the restaurant he opened. She was a member of the Coldspring Montebello Association and the Build for Humanity Association. A time to say good-bye... Lydia leaves to cherish her memory: 3 sons, Dr. Franklin J. Addison, Samuel Groom and Nikita Groom; 3 daughters, Zula Cruthfield, Rev. Hattie P. Groom and Gloria Johnson; 2 sons-in-laws, Raymond Crutchfield and Elmore Johnson; 1 daughter-in-law, Carolyn Addison; 2 widow sisters, Ms. Victoria Middleton of S.C. and Ms. Pearl Groom of MD; 6 grandchildren, 1 great grandson and a host of other relatives and friends.

Tribute Wall



“ Lydia Groom

March 25, 2023 at 10:25 AM



“ Lydia Groom

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ Mom I light a candle in you memories, which live within me for ever.



Gloria Johnson - November 17, 2018 at 01:52 PM



“ Hattie Groom lit a candle in memory of Lydia Groom



Hattie Groom - January 14, 2017 at 03:26 PM

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“ Gloria Johnson lit a candle in memory of Lydia Groom



Gloria Johnson - June 08, 2015 at 10:26 AM



“ Gloria Johnson lit a candle in memory of Lydia Groom



Gloria Johnson - May 05, 2011 at 10:10 AM



“ Mom, I miss you and a day doesn't go by when your not in my thoughts. The fond memories of have of you or the only than that helped me to get through each day. I know you are not alone for you have Daddy, Jo, & Nikita with you. My love for you will never fade and I will see you again one day. Love always Gay.

Gloria Johnson - May 05, 2011 at 09:54 AM



“ Hello Mom, I miss you so much. It has now been a year since your departure from this world. I feel your touch each day, but I miss your voice dearly. Nikita has passed. I know you are aware of his closeness. He is now with you and Jo. Comfort him and keep him in your arms. I love you. I will see you some day. Love always, your daughter, Zula.##imported-begin##Zula Crutchfield##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ Dear Family: Grief stricken to hear of the loss of your precious mother. Just want you to know many old family friends did not learn of your loss until after the services. Just because you move away, people who knew your mother still cared.##imported-begin##friend##imported-end##

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