

*In Loving Memory of*



*Pearl M. Hardnett*

*Sunrise*  
*March 3, 1940*

*Sunset*  
*October 29, 2019*

*Service*

*Saturday, November 2, 2019 • 2:00 p.m.*

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## Obituary

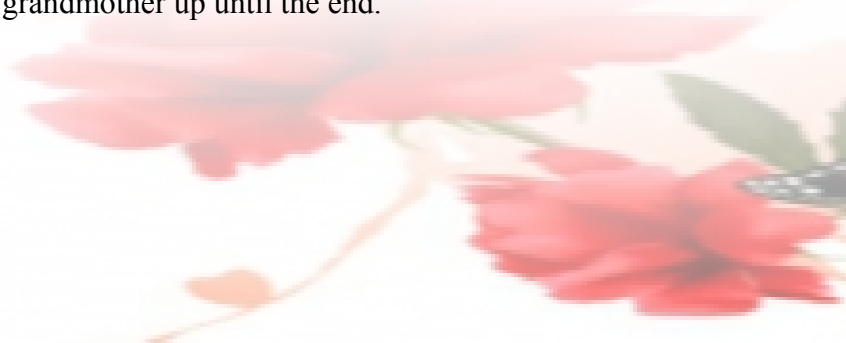
Pearlie Hardnett was born March 3, 1940 to Pearl Lee Griffin Hunter, and Charlie Hunter. She was the eldest of 7 children born to this union, five girls and two boys. She was preceded in death by her youngest brother, Robert. She is survived by her siblings, Mary Etta, Charlie Frank (Betty), Willie Mae (Ali), Shirley and Ann.

She married Willie J. Hardnett as a teen, and they raised seven children together. She was also preceded in death by her daughter, Zelda. She leaves to mourn Barbra, Lesa, Benita, Valerie, William Jr., and Tawan.

Pearl spent her early years being a wife and stay at home mom to her children. In her 40's she went to work for Continental Airlines as a supervisor and trainer, where she remained 15 years until retirement.

Pearl loved life and tried to enjoy it to the fullest. She loved to cook, and always had a meal ready and prepared waiting to be warmed for whichever of her children or grandchildren show up.

Pearl was dearly loved by her children and grandchildren. She departed this life on October 29, 2019, after a long illness. She will be greatly missed. She also leaves to mourn, 21 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren, a host of cousins, other relatives, two special aunts, Aunt Irene and Aunt Dorothy. With special mention of her eldest grandchild, Durrell, who shared a special relationship with his grandmother up until the end.



# Order of Service

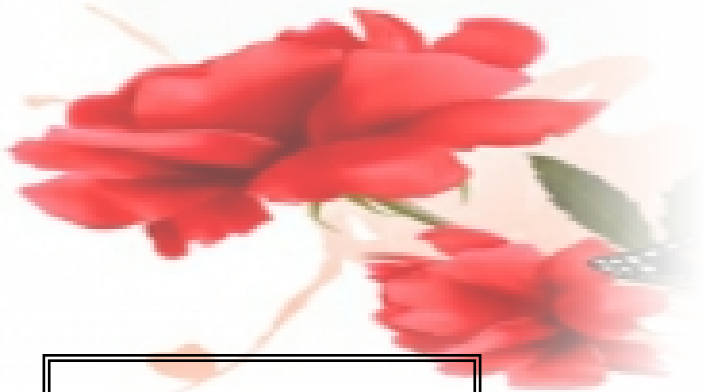
Video Memory Tribute

Reading of Obituary  
Barbra Hunter

Moments of Reflection  
Nilah Scott-Smith great granddaughter  
Christopher Scott grandson  
Durrell Ross grandson

Closing prayer

Final Glance



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# *I'm Free*

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God laid for me  
I took his hand when I heard Him call  
I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day.*

*To laugh, to love, to work or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I found that peace at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it up with remembered joy.*

*A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.*

*My life's been full, I savored much.*

*Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.*

*Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.*

*Lift up your heart and share with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

*-author unknown*

## *Acknowledgement*

The family of **Pearlie M. Hardnett** wishes to extend our sincere gratitude for all acts of kindness and sympathy shown to us at our time of bereavement. God bless you all for your thoughtfulness and concern. The family would like to thank Delaire Arista-Care Nursing Facility for their excellent care giving to our mom and the consideration to our family during her illness.

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