



## Annie Terrell

February 16, 1941 - March 8, 2025

Born on February 16, 1941, in Talladega, Alabama, Annie was the cherished daughter of William Elston and Tellar Curry Elston. A remarkable woman with a gentle spirit, she touched the lives of all who had the privilege to know her.

From a young age, Annie embraced her faith, joining Kelly Springs Missionary Baptist Church in Munford, Alabama where she served her community faithfully until her health began to decline. Her commitment to her faith was a cornerstone of her life, guiding her through both joyous and challenging times.

Annie's life was defined by her firm commitment to education and her deep compassion for the children she nurtured. A proud graduate of Ophelia S. Hill High School, she furthered her academic journey with an associate's degree from Gadsden State Community College. In 1971, Annie began her remarkable career at TCR Childcare Corporation HeadStart, where she devoted an inspiring 26 years of service to shaping young minds and fostering a love for learning. Her dedication and kindness left an indelible mark on countless students, many of whom carry forth her lessons and values to this day.

Though humble and loving, Annie possessed a vibrant spirit and an appreciation for life's finer things. She had a firm love for her family and friends, combined with a nurturing kindness that endeared her to all. Annie

found joy in simple pleasures - from cooking to the tranquility of fishing along the riverbanks to the exhilaration of a challenging word puzzle search and when time permitted, she loved visiting the sick. These memories will forever be a testament to her adventurous and loving nature.

On Saturday, March 8, 2025, Mrs. Annie Terrell, answered her Master's call while in the care of Regional Medical Center in Anniston, Alabama surrounded by her beloved family. Once ascending into the heavenly realm, she was reunited with her parents, William and Tellar Elston, brothers, Charles Elston, Johnny Elston, Michael Elston, Marcus, and Kenneth Elston, and sisters, Nell Elston, Linda Elston, and Bessie Ball. Her memory will forever remain a beacon of love and warmth for those she leaves behind.

Annie leaves to cherish her fun-loving memories a devoted daughter, Pamela Borden; loving son, Clinton (Ronda) Terrell; grandchildren, Bethany Thomas, Christopher (Nadine) Henley, and Deanna Henley; great-grandchildren, Harley Reese and Andre Henley; two brothers, Lamar (Diane) Elston and David (Wanda) Elston; sister, Cynthia Richey; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

As we reflect on her life, we remember Annie as a beacon of light and inspiration to all who knew her. Her warmth, compassion, and dedication to improving the lives of others weaves a beautiful tapestry of a life well-lived, one filled with purpose and profound impact.

Annie Terrell will be dearly missed, but her legacy of compassion, education, and unwavering love will live on in the hearts of those she inspired.

# Cemetery Details

## Union Springs Baptist Church Cemetery

3668 Eastaboga Road  
Talladega, AL 35160

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

MAR 16. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

S.M. Goodson Funeral Home Chapel  
217 Coosa St. East  
Talladega, AL 35160

## Celebration of Life

MAR 17. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Kelly Springs Baptist Church  
300 Kelly Springs Road  
Munford, AL 36268

# Tribute Wall

LE

“ I sure did love Annie Ruth! I have such wonderful memories of her cooking for my Mom and Dad: Paul and Louise Jackson. She was a very dear soul to all of us. Newt and Pam I wished I had known at the time of her passing because I would have tried to pay my respects, I loved Annie Ruth so much, I wish I could have one last meal that she so lovingly and effortlessly prepared. Cooking was an art to her I think and her masterpieces were extraordinary! Maybe when I get to Heaven she will have a meal prepared for us all!

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**LeeAnn Easterwood** - August 09, 2025 at 10:51 PM

LF

“ Mrs. Terrell was my teacher. She also taught others in my family. She was such a beautiful person inside and out. My sincere thoughts and prayers are with her family and friends.

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**Lakisha Higgins Foster** - March 17, 2025 at 09:57 AM

TC

“ Deepest sympathy for the Terrell family.



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**Troy A Conley** - March 17, 2025 at 08:14 AM

AS

“ Sending my deepest condolences and prayers for each of you doing this very difficult time, thoughts of the beautiful memories will help in some way, will miss you cousin, say hello to all the families that have gone on before you, sending hugs and prayers 🙏❤️🙏



Audrey Swain - March 16, 2025 at 12:05 AM

CG

“ My condolences and deepest sympathy to the family. It was a joy to work with you at Head Start I will cherish the memories we made there you will be missed praying for the family strength during this difficult time.



Cynthia Garrett - March 12, 2025 at 10:29 PM

IM

“ My condolences to the family. I will always remember the good times we shared at Head Start . You were such a beautiful person I really enjoyed working with you .

Irish McMeans - March 12, 2025 at 09:53 PM

DD

“ My condolences the family. I will always remember the friendship that we had for many years. RIH my dear friend.

Deborah Dye - March 12, 2025 at 02:43 PM

GJ

“ *My deepest sympathy...praying for your strength* ”



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**Glenda Johnson** - March 12, 2025 at 01:04 PM



“ *Zeola Moore sent a virtual gift in memory of Annie Terrell* ”



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**Zeola Moore** - March 12, 2025 at 01:01 PM

JO

“ *Judy Oswald lit a candle in memory of Annie Terrell* ”



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**Judy Oswald** - March 12, 2025 at 08:53 AM

Y)

“ *Yulanda ( DeeDee ) lit a candle in memory of Annie Terrell* ”



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**Yulanda ( DeeDee )** - March 12, 2025 at 02:19 AM

YT

“ Yulanda , Devious , & Tora lit a candle in memory of Annie Terrell



Yulanda , Devious , & Tora - March 12, 2025 at 02:18 AM

RE

“ Prayers for God’s comfort and strength and may the peace of God rest upon your hearts. Annie Ruth will be missed, but the memories will linger.



Renee - March 11, 2025 at 10:07 PM

HM

“ Condolences to the families of Annie R Terrell. Mrs. Terrell was a wonderful person, a great educator, a mother to many pre- school children, a great help to many parents, but best of all, she was a child of God.. she will be missed. Rest well Mrs. Terrell, rest well.



Helen Millender - March 11, 2025 at 09:19 PM

WB

“ Wesley bailey Jr and Karmesha Bailey



Wesley bailey - March 11, 2025 at 03:54 PM

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“ Wesley and Ninia Bailey



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**Wesley bailey** - March 11, 2025 at 03:53 PM

CT

“ Clinton Terrell And Virginia Terrell lit a candle  
in memory of Annie Terrell



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**Clinton Terrell and Virginia Terrell** - March 11, 2025 at 02:43 PM

DD

“ Deborah Dickerson lit a candle in memory of  
Annie Terrell



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**Deborah Dickerson** - March 11, 2025 at 01:36 PM

RJ

“ Regina Jacobs lit a candle in memory of  
Annie Terrell



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**Regina jacobs** - March 11, 2025 at 12:16 PM

WJ

“ *Wilma Jackson lit a candle in memory of Annie Terrell*



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**Wilma Jackson** - March 11, 2025 at 09:01 AM

TD

“ *Tina Dickerson lit a candle in memory of Annie Terrell*



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**Tina Dickerson** - March 11, 2025 at 12:41 AM

YW

“ *My deepest condolences to the family.*



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**Yolanda Wilson** - March 10, 2025 at 07:32 PM

LP

“ *Lori Pope lit a candle in memory of Annie Terrell*



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**lori pope** - March 10, 2025 at 02:36 PM

LC

“ *Lutrese Chatman lit a candle in memory of Annie Terrell*



Lutrese Chatman - March 10, 2025 at 12:35 PM

LC

*Rest in paradise Auntie. With Love*

Lutrese Chatman - March 10, 2025 at 12:38 PM

TT

*RIP*

Tracy Terrell - March 11, 2025 at 06:23 PM

JH

“ *Jackie Williams Hall lit a candle in memory of Annie Terrell*



Jackie Williams Hall - March 10, 2025 at 12:24 PM

JH

*My sincere prayers and Condolences to the family!!! 🙏💔😞🌹*

Jackie Williams Hall - March 10, 2025 at 12:25 PM

GJ

*My deepest sympathy 🙏 for the family*

Glenda Johnson - March 10, 2025 at 04:05 PM

DB

*Condolences to the family of Ms. Annie Terrell. I have fond memories of her from Talladega Daycare, where I spent many summers working with her, Ms. Carrie Elston and my aunt Elizabeth Tucker Jackson.*

*Deirdra Cunningham Butler*

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**Deirdra M Butler** - March 13, 2025 at 10:55 AM

RM

*My sincere prayers and Condolences to the family*

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**RLee McMurry** - March 18, 2025 at 11:23 PM