



## Mrs. Ocelia Garrett

March 21, 1935 - May 18, 2023

On March 21, 1935, Mrs. Ocelia Swain Garrett was born in Childersburg, Alabama to the late Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Henry and Lorene Holley Swain. She was the seventh of thirteen children.

Sister Ocelia Garrett confessed her Faith in Christ at an early age and joined Kingston Missionary Baptist Church in Alpine, Alabama where she was an active choir member and in Praise and Worship. Mother Garrett served her church and community faithfully until her health began to fail. She received her formal education in the Talladega County School System where she attended Phyllis Wheatly High School in Childersburg, Alabama. Mother Garrett served her church and community faithfully until her health began to fail. Although Mother Garrett worked outside her home for a few years, she remained a domestic engineer for her family and friends throughout the years. She was well known for her sewing, which was a passion she has always enjoyed.

Along Mrs. Garrett's blessed 88-year journey, she became the wife of Corporal W. D. Garrett with whom she shared the blessing of six loving children, Jerome, Charles, Michael, Kirk, Carol, and Jackie. Mother Garrett loved her family unconditionally and enjoyed every minute she shared with them. She loved cooking and singing, but no other hobby was more important than her maintaining and keeping a fresh garden. When it came to talking

about her childhood and young adult life, Mother Garrett told incredible stories and often spoke of Annie Morris, Minnie Duncan, Margaret Duncan, and Celestine Garrett, when reminding us of our family's close bond. Granny felt as if you all were her very own children. The family wants to pay homage to you now, because she felt that the experiences, she shared with you molded her into the matriarch she became and on behalf of Mother Garrett, we are forever grateful.

On the cool spring morning of Thursday, May 18, 2023, Mrs. Ocelia Swain Garrett went to be with the Lord while sleeping peacefully in the comfort of her home. Preceding her in death were her husband, Corporal W. D. Garrett, sons, Jerome "Keyman" Garrett and Charles Garrett, six sisters, Flossie Coleman, Elizabeth Cook, Juliette Emory, Jeanette Swain, Katherine Austin, Phamiline Scott, four brothers, Edward Swain, Washington Lee Swain, Jeff Henry Swain, Jerry Swain, daughter-in-law, Audrey Garrett, and two sons-in-law, Charles Lewis and Gilbert Turner.

Mother Garrett leaves a legacy of love and memories to forever be cherished by her two sons, Michael Garrett of Alpine, Alabama and Kirk Garrett of Talladega, Alabama; two daughters, Carol Garrett Lewis and Jackie Garrett Turner of Childersburg, Alabama; two brothers, Charles Swain and Roger Woods of Sacramento; one sister, Betty Washington of Apple Valley, California; grandchildren, Tina Henry, Charles Garrett, Nekelia Turner, Kedrick Charles (Kendra) Lewis, DeShaun Garrett, Sharie (Seneca) Shealey, Sheena Lewis, Tawanekia Wells, Tara Turner, Shaquille Turner, Adaria Swain, and Danielle Garrett; great-grandchildren, Tyesha Henry, Alexis Moten, Demondre Robinson, Devundrez Noble, Seneca "Scoot" Shealey, Michael Battle, Crea Turner, and Kaliyah Lewis; great-great grandchildren, Khristian Henry and Jordyan Lawson; one brother-in-law, Rev. Charles Garrett of Rockford, Alabama; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends that she cherished deeply.



# Cemetery Details

## Kingston Baptist Church Cemetery-Main

333 Reynolds Mill Rd  
Alpine, AL 35014

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

MAY **26**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Celebration of Life

MAY **27**. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Kingston Baptist Church  
333 Reynolds Mill Road  
Alpine, AL 35014

# Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ocelia Garrett.* ”



May 26, 2023 at 06:51 PM



“ *Many memories together. Miss you baby* ”

**Minnie Garrett-Duncan** - May 25, 2023 at 11:41 AM



“ *Miss you Aunt Ocelia.* ”

**Prince Sillmon** - May 24, 2023 at 05:27 PM



“ *Sending up my prayers and condolences to this family during their loss!* ”



**lori pope** - May 24, 2023 at 10:23 AM

DD

“ *Deborah Dickerson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ocelia Garrett*



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**Deborah Dickerson** - May 22, 2023 at 09:55 PM

JS

“ *Auntie you will be missed. I know you are singing with that heavenly choir.*



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**Joann D Swain** - May 22, 2023 at 09:16 PM

JG

*This lady was a beautiful lady, loved working with her, she was a sweet person loved hearing her sing Rest on Mrs Ocelis*

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**Joyce Garrett** - May 22, 2023 at 11:02 PM

AD

“ *Annette Duncan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ocelia Garrett*



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**Annette Duncan** - May 21, 2023 at 11:57 PM



“ Patricia Turner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ocelia Garrett



Patricia Turner - May 21, 2023 at 10:49 PM



Jackie praying for you and the family.

Patricia Turner - May 21, 2023 at 10:50 PM



“ Jackie Williams Hall lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ocelia Garrett



Jackie Williams Hall - May 21, 2023 at 01:23 AM



Prayers for the family!!! 🙏❤️😔🌹

Jackie Williams Hall - May 21, 2023 at 01:24 AM