



## Ophelia McH Mellon Pierce

November 1, 1946 - June 4, 2023

Mother Ophelia McH Mellon Pierce entered into eternal rest on Sunday, June 4, 2023, at AdventHealth Hospital's Hospice Care Center in Orlando, FL.

Born on November 1, 1946, in Headland, AL. Ophelia was the youngest of ten children parented by the late Mr. George McH Mellon and the late Ms. De'siree Warren McH Mellon. She was preceded in death by eight siblings: Elizabeth, B'Essie, Martha, Ethel, Catherine, Billie, George, and Willie James.

Ophelia was raised in Cocoa, FL, and attended the public schools where she was a basketball player for Monroe High School. As a young adult, she relocated to Atlanta, GA where she met and wed the late Pastor Grant Pierce, Sr. She proudly worked as a bus driver for the DeKalb County School Board for over twenty years, and was a proud member of Pleasant Hill Missionary Baptist Church in Atlanta, GA where she served as a Mother of the Church, a member of the Mothers' Board, and a Deaconess. She taught Sunday School, worked with the Women's Ministry, nurses' aid, and sang in the choir.

After relocating to Orlando, FL in 2015, Ophelia joined Shiloh Baptist Church served as a prayer warrior, and was devoutly dedicated to Bible Study and other church activities. She was a faithful member until The Lord called her home. She kept her unwavering faith throughout her many trials and tribulations with her health adversities. She also enjoyed sewing, cooking,

gardening, and spending time with her family. She touched the hearts of many with her winning smile, generosity, and encouragement.

Ophelia leaves to cherish her precious memories son Eddie Teel of Lawrenceville, GA; daughter Janice (Julius) Jones of Orlando, FL; son Matthanias (Denice) Pierce of Lithonia, GA; sons Grant Pierce, Jr. of Decatur, GA; Carl Pierce of Decatur, GA; daughter Elnora(Jean) Pierce of Atlanta, GA; son Matthew Bender of Detroit, Michigan; and daughter Stacy Howard of Atlanta, GA. She was the proud grandmother of eight grandchildren: Tamika (Ronald) Pierce Richards of Riverdale, GA; Sharde' Pierce of Decatur, GA; Rayna Battle of Atlanta, GA; Frederick Howard of Decatur, GA; Pramilla Teel of Lawrenceville, GA; Iyanla Kitchens of Lithonia, GA; Kylee and Justus Pierce of Lithonia, GA. She was also the proud great-grandmother of three great-grandchildren: Camille and Carter Richards of Riverdale, GA, and Sherita Richards of Portsmouth, VA. She is survived by one sibling: Mrs. Linda (Sam) Bryant and a host of nieces, nephews, family, and friend

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 16. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

A Community Funeral Home & Sunset Cremations  
910 W. Michigan Street  
Orlando, FL 32805  
(407) 841-4424  
<https://www.acommunityfuneralhome.com/>

## Service

JUN 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

Shiloh Baptist Church  
604 W. Jackson Street  
Orlando, FL 32805

# Tribute Wall

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**Jacquelyn Nabors** - June 17, 2023 at 11:20 AM

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“ The Nathaniel Pierce, Sr. family sends our sincere condolences to the family. We all have precious memories of Cousin Ophelia and of Grant! We love you all and our prayers are with you.

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**Nathel Pierce DuBose** - June 16, 2023 at 03:17 PM

JN

*Aunt Ophelia was a beautiful God fearing woman. She love to entertain and was one of the best cooks. She was a beautiful person and will be grately missed. Tim. Jan and Matt weeping may endure for a night but Joy will surely come in the morning. I Love youall Jacquelyn Nabors*

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**Jacquelyn Nabors** - June 16, 2023 at 09:32 PM



“ *Mother Ophelia has shared with her church family for many years. May God comfort the family, John 3:16 For God So loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that wh so ever believe in him should not perish but have everlasting life.*



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**Wanda Sampson** - June 13, 2023 at 12:37 PM

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“ *Auntie, as I looked through photos today. I found a picture that instantly reminded me that your are safe in the arms of the master. This photo gave me peace in knowing that you are with loved ones that have gone before you. And it gives me comfort knowing that the care and love that you have given to this family, you are now displaying in heaven. To the family, please accept my deepest condolences. It is my prayers that we continue to carry on the rich history, traditions, and family based foundation of love that our ancestors have set for our family. We will carry on the legacy! Until we see you again.*



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**Jimmy Arthur** - June 12, 2023 at 02:54 PM

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“ To Auntie and family . You have my deepest condolences. May God continue to bless each and everyone with strength to get through times like these. Ophelia will be deeply missed and she was loved by everyone. Family is everything. And I love my family . Larry & Annise Whisonant Rest in paradise auntie until we me again. Well done Ophelia a good and faithful servant of the lord. Amen

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**Annise Whisonant** - June 12, 2023 at 12:50 PM