

Remembering Norma Louise Carrushers

To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven... Ecclesiastes 3:1

A sime to be Born ...

Norma Louise was welcomed into the world by her parents Columbus and Mattie Bass, March 12, 1932. As a result of her premature arrival and small stature she was given the nickname "Toy" by her grandparents. She was the oldest of eight children. Norma is preceded in death by her husband John Williams Carruthers Jr., her parents Columbus & Mattie Bass, her maternal grandparents Clyde & Letha Platt, and two sisters Claudia Leach and Annie Lee Bass. Her spiritual birth took place at the Rayfield Baptist Church in Muskogee, OK, under Rev. Dyer. She was a current member of New Bethel Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor James Greenwood.

A sime so Embrace.

Norma was raised by her grandparents in Muskogee, OK, where she attended Muskogee Public Schools. She completed her secondary education at Manual Training High School. She took pride in attending the historic Manual Training and was a proud cheerleader. In 1950, Norma began her formal education at Langston University, completing her Freshman year, then devoted her life to her family.

A sime so Love ...

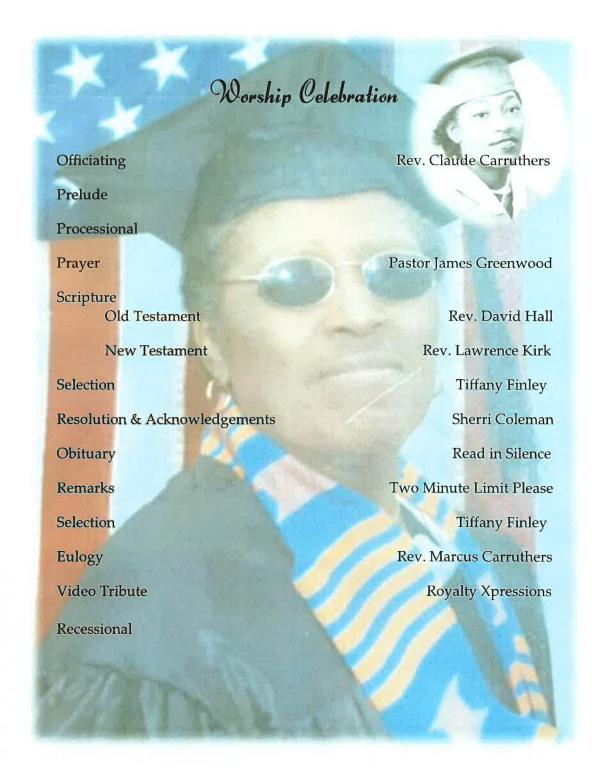
Norma met and married her college sweetheart John William Carruthers Jr, at Langston. They united in marriage, July 29, 1951. To this union five children were born. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great & great-great grandmother. Blessed through five generations! She was a Godly mother with unwavering faith. She admonished her children to always put Christ first. Her life exemplified her love for the Word of God and people. She expressed her love by willingly giving of herself.

A sime so Plans ...

Norma planted her gifts at Mercy Hospital, where she served in the in the Nursing field. She later launched a new career at Tinker Airforce Base as a Key Punch Operator. Her career spanned over a period of 33 years, where she advanced in the Information Technology Industry, before retiring. She was a pillar in the Church and Community. She served in the Evangelism Street Ministry, Women's Ministry, Widow's Ministry, and organized multiple Food Pantries, just to name a few. She volunteered in many capacities PTA, Voter Registrar, Team Mom, Neighborhood Association, Philos Club, and was a Toast Master. Determined to keep her promise to herself and husband, she went back to Langston and graduated at the age of 75, earning a Bachelor's of Art in Multiculturalism.

A sime so Die ...

She departed this life August 25th, 2020. Celebrating her new life are Norma's daughter and son-in-love, Sheila and Archie Douglas, Jr. of Oklahoma City, OK; four sons and daughters-in-love, Victor and Brenda Carruthers of Oklahoma City, OK, Claude and Sallie Carruthers of Oklahoma City, OK, Daryl and Toni Carruthers of Plano, TX, and Marcus and Dionne Carruthers of Edmond, OK; 19 grandchildren, VeLissa Lewis, Tre' & Kelly Carruthers, DaShea Carruthers, Daryl Carruthers II, TiAndra Crawford, Daryn & Tonya Carruthers, Marrae & Kevin Wade, RaShon Carruthers, Shaunte' Crawford, Carmen & Kennedy Germany Jr., Damon & NaTeshia Carruthers, Sh'lynn Carruthers, and John-Macus Carruthers. 21 great grandchildren and 1 great great granddaughter. 3 Sisters Bobbi Mann, Sonya Lamfu, and Linda Bass, 2 brothers Joe Platt, Malcolm Platt; and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.





He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

²I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.

3 Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.

4 He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shall thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

5 Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day; 6 Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.

A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.

8 Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.

9 Because thou hast made the LORD, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation; 10 There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

11 For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.

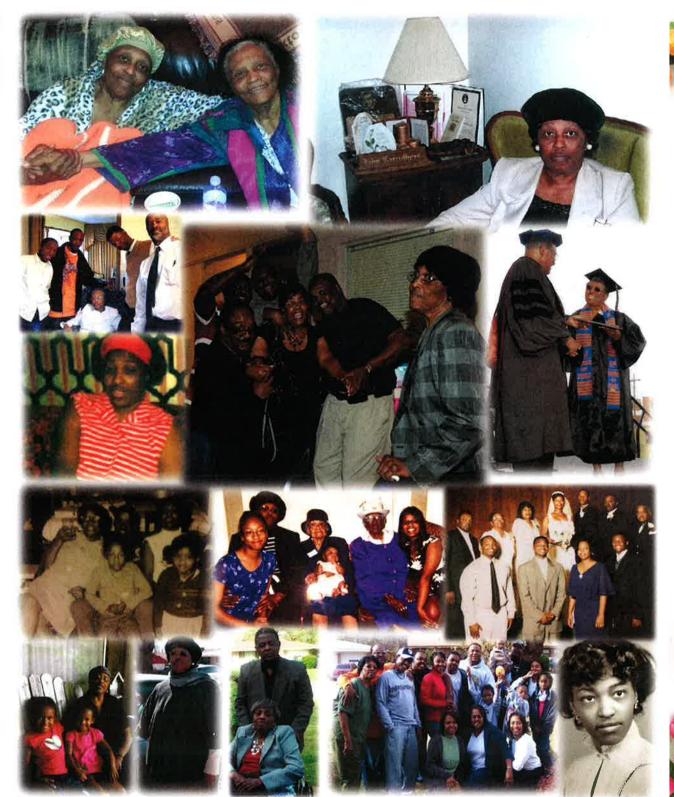
12 They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.

13 Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet.

14 Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name. 15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble: I will deliver him. and honour him.

16 With long life will I satisfy him, and shew







A wife, a mother, a grandma too, This is the legacy we have from you. You taught us love and how to fight, You gave us strength, you gave us might. A stronger person would be hard to find, And in your heart, you were always kind. You fought for us all in one way or another. Not just as a wife, not just as a mother. For all of us you gave your best, Now the time has come for you to rest. So go in peace, you've earned your sleep, your love in our hearts. we'll eternally keep.



Life affords no greater responsibility, no greater privilege. than the raising of the next generation. C. Everett Koop



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Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair; Perhaps you sent beautiful flowers, if so, we saw them there. Perhaps you sent or spoke the kind words, as any friend could say; Perhaps you were not there at all, just thought of us that day. Perhaps you prepared some tasty food or stopped by; Perhaps you rendered a service unseen, near at hand or from afar. Whatever you did to console our hearts, We thank you so much whatever the part.

The Carrushers Family

Pallbearers

Victor Carruthers Marcus Carruthers

Tre' Carruthers **Damon Carruthers** Kennedy Germany, Jr. Tre'Shaun Akins

VeLissa Lewis TiAndra Crawford Shaunte Crawford

Archie Douglas, Jr.

Honorary Pallbearers

Daryl Carruthers II John-Marcus Carruthers Tion Walker Jeremiah Barnett Micah Carruthers

Flower Bearers

Kelly Carruthers Marrae Wade Carmen Germany Jhordyn Patton

Honorary Flower Bearers

New Bethel Women's Ministry

Interment

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