

*Pallbearers*  
Family and Friends

*Flower Bearers*  
Ushers Union of Georgia

*My Last Request*

Please don't say that I gave up, just say that I gave in; don't say I lost the battle, for it was God's war to lose or win; please don't say how good I was, but that I did my best; just say I tried to do what's right, to give the most I could, not less; please don't give me wings or halos, that's for God to do; I want no more than I deserve, no extras, just my due; please don't give flowers, or talk in real hushed tones; don't be concerned about me now, I'm well with God, I've made it home; don't talk about what could have been, it's over and it's done, just see to all my family's needs, especially the little ones; when you draw a picture of me, don't draw me as a saint; I've done some good, I've done some wrong so, use all your paint; not just the bright and light tones, use some gray and dark; in fact, don't put me down on canvas, paint me in your heart; don't just remember the good times, but remember all the bad; for life is full of many things, some happy and some sad, but if you must do something then I have one request: forgive me for the wrongs I've done, and with the love that's left, thank God for my soul's resting. Thank God for I've been blessed, thank God for all who loved me, praise God who loved me best.

*Words of Gratitude*

The Family of the late Ms. Leila Hudson Lewis wishes to express their most profound and inexplicable appreciation for all acts and expressions of concern during the illness and the inevitable passing of out beloved Leila. Furthermore, we want you to know that your presence here today as we celebrate our "Auntie Maemae". You shall hear from us at a later date.

- With all of our thanks, the Family of Ms. Leila Hudson Lewis -

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HOME GOING CELEBRATION  
COMMEMORATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF

*Ms. Leila Hudson Lewis*

Alpha  
1943

Omega  
2019



*She was a  
Phenomenal Woman.*

Wednesday, November 27, 2019  
11:00 A.M.

PAINE COLLEGE  
GILBERT-LAMBUTH CHAPEL  
1235 Fifteen Street | Augusta, Georgia

Reverend Eugene Waltower - Officiating  
Reverend Dr. Robert W. Turner, Jr. - Presiding



## Psalm 91

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust. Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler. Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day; 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. Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked. Because thou hast made the Lord, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation; There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone. Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet. 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. He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him. With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation.



“When the *best* I try to live,  
my mistakes He will *forgive;*  
May the life that I live *speak* for me . . .”

## The Obituary

Leila Mae Hudson Lewis began her spiritual and human journey on February 12, 1943, as a beautiful baby girl in Matthews, Georgia. She was born to two loving, devoted, christian parents names Thomas Handy Hudson, Sr. and Dolan Lamar Hudson. They provided the love, support, influence and child rearing principles in alignment with God’s Word that would facilitate her growth into the avatar of wisdom, leadership and provision she would adopt as her beatitudes and utilize throughout her journey as a living sacrifice of God’s purpose.

Leila became a faithful member with the body of Christ at a very early age. She was baptized at Flatrock Missionary Baptist Church. She was raised in a christian home by a father who was a profound Baptist mimister and a mother, who was a distinguished and respected First Lady. Her pledge of discipleship led her to serve in many capacities within the church throughout her lifetime. Her presence will forever be felt as a “door keeper” in the house of the Lord

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# The Celebration Service



Prelude

Processional

Congregational Song ..... “Praise Him”

Prayer of Comfort ..... Elder Jane E. Thomas

Scriptures

    Old Testament ..... Apostle Brenda Colbert

    New Testament ..... Apostle Melvin Colbert

Solo ..... Minister Demetrius Clark  
    “His Eye Is On The Sparrow”

Poem ..... Dr. Albreia Hall

Words of Comfort ..... Pastor Fredrick Patterson

Reflections

    As Her First Grandchild ..... Jeffery A. Berry

    As Her Daughter and Caregiver ..... Willene Armstrong

    As Her Son ..... Steward Tony L. Hall

Medley of Songs ..... Prophetess Kisha Howard - Granddaughter

Obituary and Acknowledgements ..... Dr. Ardena Johnson

Solo ..... Steward Tony L. Hall  
    “Open The Floodgates Of Heaven”

Eulogy ..... Apostle Loretta Butler

Recessional

Interment ..... Southview Cemetery  
    1102 Nellieville Road | Augusta, Georgia

... *Repast* ...

Word of Faith Christian Fellowship Church

# Obituary Continued

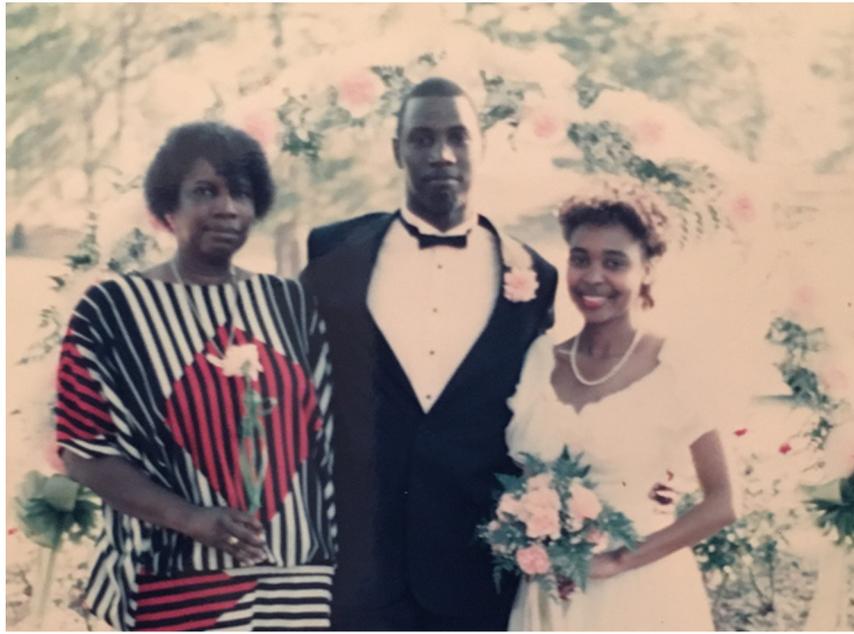
Laura was a hard worker. She worked such jobs as housekeeping for Days Inn and Horne’s Hotel, a cook for the Mess Hall at Fort Gordon, the Masters Golf Tournament in the early ‘70s and was the first Civic Center Supervisor over maintenance/custodians. In her early years, she was a DJ and was known as “Luscious Laura”.

Laura was also preceded in death by her husband, Willie Hall, Jr.; son, Lorenzo Hall, Sr.; daughter, Sh-Tina Williams; and brothers, Jewel Bernard Johnson, Seba Johnson and Henry Johnson.

Laura leaves to cherish her memories: two daughters, Apostle Loretta Butler and Willene (Kenneth) Armstrong of Augusta, Georgia; three sons, Jerry Jerome Hall, Clyde Sylvester Hall of Augusta, Georgia and Tony LeVon (Alfreda) Hall of Perry, Georgia; nine grandchildren, Jeffrey (Angela) Berry of Tucson, Arizona, Demetrius S. (Eric) Clark, Kisha L. (Delvin) Howard, Christopher (Krishayla) Hall, Lorenzo Hall, Jr., Clarence L. Reynolds, Jr., all of Augusta, Georgia, Justin Armstrong of Savannah, Georgia; Dr. Albreia L. Hall of Warner Robins, Georgia; Altony L. Hall of Houston, Texas; thirteen great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Barbara Ozen; two brothers, Jessie James (Phyllis) Mitchell and Lannie Bernard Smith, both of Augusta, Georgia; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

*“Mothers hold their child’s hands for a  
Moment,  
but their hearts for a Lifetime.”*

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