

HESTER, WHITTED & DAYE FUNERAL SERVICE

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Mrs. Doris Smith Blackwell



Mrs. Doris Smith Blackwell, age 92, of Roxboro and Rocky Mount North Carolina, took flight and entered her eternal rest and reward early Sunday morning on August 13, 2023 in Rocky Mount, North Carolina.

Doris was the youngest of seven children, born to Norman Ellis and Earle Penn Downey Smith on October 27, 1930 in the Buchanan Community of Granville County in North Carolina. Her siblings, Martha Smith Simms, Ellis Smith, Drewery Smith, James Smith, Warren Smith, and Andrew Smith, all preceded her in death, along with their two cherished sisters, Elsie Marrow Lewis and Marie Marrow Tyler. Doris met and married the love of her life, the late Reverend Dr. Reuben Wallace Cooper Blackwell, on December 27, 1956 and began her own life of devotion to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, her family, and in service to her community.

Doris Smith Blackwell leaves to mourn her departure and to celebrate her legacy, her sons Reuben Cooper Blackwell IV (Neva) of Rocky Mount, North Carolina and Jay Nicholas Blackwell (Kenneth) of Albuquerque, New Mexico; grandchildren Cooper and Saija "Sage" Blackwell of Rocky Mount, North Carolina; Sisters in Love Clara Smith of Virgilina, North Carolina and Reverend Phyllis Blackwell of Roxboro, North Carolina; Brothers in Love William Lewis of Charles City, Virginia and Reginald Dirton of Greenville, South Carolina; a host of nieces, nephews, adopted sons and daughters and countless friends across America; Sisters of the International Association of Minister's Wives and Minister's Widows; Sorority Sisters of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Incorporated; and members of the Cornerstone Community Christian Church in Roxboro, North Carolina.

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Viewing

**Friday, August 18, 2023
1:00 PM until 4:00 PM**

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Wake

**Friday, August 18, 2023
5:30 PM until 7:30 PM**

Cornerstone Community Christian Church

701 South Main Street
Roxboro, North Carolina 27573
Phone: (336) 599 - 4388

Funeral Service

**Saturday, August 19, 2023
1:00 PM**

*(Mrs. Blackwell will Lie In State
from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM.)*

Shady Hill Missionary Baptist Church

1500 Old Durham Road
Roxboro, North Carolina 27573
Phone: (336) 599 - 7454



Burial

Blackwell Family Cemetery
1222 Old Durham Road
Roxboro, North Carolina 27573