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Don’t

Don’t spend too much time in mourning.
Tears are for the sad. I left to be with Jesus,
and this should make you glad.

Don’t vex yourself with questions, or try to reason why.
Life here for me has ended;
It came my time to die.

Don’t lose the love I gave you; feed it with your care,
Grow it with devotion and spread it everywhere.

Don’t fret because my leaving came in such a sad, quick way,
We’ll have another reunion, in God’s Resurrection Day!

Mom

Though your smile is gone,
And your hand we cannot touch
Still, we have our memories
Of the one we loved so much.
Your memory is our Keepsake
With which we will never part.
God has you in His care,
We have you in our heart.
Estella Foxworth Robinson (nee Dukes) was born March 18, 1926 in Columbia, MS to Fred and Lillie Hendricks Dukes. She was the second oldest of seven children. On Thanksgiving morning Thursday, November 22, 2018, our Lord and Savior saw fit to grant peace and eternal rest to our beloved.

At an early age, Estella joined the Antioch Baptist Missionary Baptist Church in Columbia, MS. She attended school in Columbia, MS and later furthered her education at Bennett Night School in Buffalo, NY. She was united in holy matrimony to L. J. Foxworth. To this union four children were born James Earl, Mary Louise, Delores and Paulette. In 1951, they relocated to Buffalo, NY.

After moving to Buffalo, Estella joined the Hopewell Baptist Church under leadership of Rev. John F. D. Lyles. She was an active and faithful member of her church currently serving under the leadership of her current Pastor her son-in-law Rev. Dennis Lee Jr. She served on the Usher Board, Trustee Board, Missionary Board, Mothers Board, and the Senior Choir. She regularly attended Sunday school and Bible Study. Estella served faithfully in her church until her health began to fail.

Estella also loved gardening, cooking, traveling, working puzzles, spending time with family and helping with her grandchildren. She especially enjoyed quilting. She made quilts for all of her children and grandchildren.

Estella retired after many years of employment with Republic Steel. In 1982, Estella married Robert Lee Robinson, Sr.

Estella leaves to cherish her memory one son: James Earl Foxworth, Sr. of Columbia, MS; three daughters: Mary Louise (Sylvester) Wallace of Hampton, VA, Delores Foxworth and Paulette (Rev. Dennis, Jr.) Lee both of Buffalo, NY; five stepchildren: Louis (Barbara) Robinson, Deloris (Reginald) Goston, Deborah Robinson, Doretha Robinson and Ronnie Robinson; two sisters: Mary Whalum and Lorena Pittman both of Chicago, IL; one aunt: Esther Oatis of San Leandro, CA; eleven grandchildren, fourteen great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, friends and the Hopewell Baptist Church family.

Estella was preceded in death by her husband: Robert Robinson, Sr.; two brothers: Percy and John Ira Dukes; two sisters: Juanita Dukes and Emma Huddleston; and one granddaughter: Ivy Coleman.

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**- Obituary -**

Prelude
Processional .......................................Pastor & Clergy
Final Family Viewing
Choir Selection .................................. Hopewell Baptist Church
Scripture Reading:
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Prayer of Comfort
Choir Selection .................................. Hopewell Baptist Church
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Resolutions
Acknowledgements of Condolences ............... Sister Lena Ashley
Reading of the Obituary ........ Sister Monika McFoy, Granddaughter
Eulogy ....................................... Pastor Dennis Lee, Jr.
Recessional

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**- Care of Our Loved One Entrusted To -**

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Mr. Darrell M. Saxon, II, Funeral Director

**Interment**
Forest Lawn Cemetery
1411 Delaware Ave. • Buffalo, NY 14209

**Repost:** Immediately following Interment
Hopewell Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

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**- Acknowledgements -**

The family would like to express their gratitude for all acts of kindness shown during the illness and the passing of our loved one.

Special thanks to all of her daycare providers and others that assisted in getting her to and from her daycare providers.

The Family of Mother Estella Robinson