



God Saw You

*God saw you getting tired,
And a cure was not to be.*

*So, he put His arms around you
And whispered, "Come to me."
With tearful eyes we watched you
As you slowly slipped away.
And though we loved you dearly
We couldn't make you stay.
Your golden heart stopped beating
Your tired hands put to rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best.*



Active Pallbearers

Chris Thornton Jr.
Daren Butler
Eric Thornton

Robert Goodman, IV
Adrian Thornton
Alek Thornton

Honorary Pallbearers

Alvin Douglas
Gary Connor

Aliyah Thornton
Kenneth Smith

Family Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent those beautiful flowers, that we saw sitting there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words, as any friend would say. Perhaps you were not there at all, just thought of us that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts we thank you so much for your part. Thank you for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers. **The Family**

Interment

Meadowlawn Memorial Park
5611 E. Houston St.
San Antonio, Texas

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"Never place a question mark where God has placed a period."

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A Celebration Of Life For



Sunrise
December 7, 1944

Sunset
May 13, 2022

Mary Ella Martin

Saturday, May 21, 2022
11:00 AM

Memorial Missionary Baptist Church
1253 Lambrano St.
San Antonio, Texas

Rev. E. J. Morris
Pastor / Officiating

Life's Journey

Mary Ella Martin was born December 7, 1944, in Shiner Texas to Charlie and Susie Thornton. She accepted Christ at an early age under the leadership of Rev. A. D. Henderson of St. James Baptist Church in Yoakum, Texas. After relocating to San Antonio, Texas, Mary became a member of Memorial Missionary Baptist Church under direction of Rev. J. L. Sanders and currently Rev. E. J. Morris, where she remained an active member until her death.

Mary was a servant in the Sanctuary choir as a tenor, a member of the Hospitality committee, and served as President of the Usher Board where she took to heart ensuring there was always someone at the door to greet guest and make them feel welcomed at every service.

Mary graduated from Asberry High School of Yoakum, Texas. She was a member of the Asberry Alumni and Ex-Students Association San Antonio Chapter and took immense joy in attending and participating in the alumni gatherings and parades. Mary also attended St. Phillips College in San Antonio, Texas.

Mary began her career as a computer assembler at Datapoint Corporation and later took a position at Xytronics, LTD where she retired with over 20 years of service, earning several accomplishments and perfect attendance awards. Mary believed being on time meant being early. Mary began a second career as a caregiver for Kelly Assisted Living. She enjoyed providing her clients both companionship and support.

Mary enjoyed scratch off tickets and always made sure she had a “good coin” whenever she played. She enjoyed simple pleasures like the game show network, cowboy movies, a good pear, or a perfectly ripe slice of watermelon. Mary was a charismatic, caring, passionate, and honest woman. She loved her family and was always looking out for everyone. Mary was very peculiar about making her rounds of phone calls and receiving them as well. So much so, during her final days she still would say “Hello” every time she heard the sound of a phone ringing.

Mary always wanted to make sure everyone was fed. She would always ask if you wanted something to eat or what are we eating today? Mary was a loyal friend and because of this she enjoyed friendship that started from when she was a child. Mary was a collector magnetic pieces and miniature dolls, we refer to them as whatnots. The magnetic pieces were a magical collection displayed on her refrigerator.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents, Charlie and Susie Thornton, her three sisters, Alvida Thornton, Earline Thornton, Lillie Mae Douglas, and her brother, Johnny Thornton. She leaves behind to cherish her legacy and memory, a son, Christopher (Ann Marie) Thornton of San Antonio, Texas a daughter, Angela (Clarence) Bush of Arlington, Texas. Her grandchildren, Chris Jr., Daren, Eric, Robert, Adrian, Aliyah, and Alek; brother, Charlie (Florence) Thornton Jr., two sisters, Celestine Smith and Josephine Edwards, and a host of great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends that shared in her life's journey.

Order Of Service

Prelude

Musical Selection

Bishop Brian Ridley

Reading Of The Holy Scriptures

Old Testament

Pulpit Minister

New Testament

Pastor George Adams

Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church

Prayer

Pastor Douglas Jackson

Solo

Bro. Columbus Duke

Resolution

Memorial Missionary Baptist Church

Words Of Expressions (Limit Two Minutes Please)

Sharon Sorrell

Solo

Sis. Connie Jackson

Eulogy/Sermon

Rev. E. J. Morris

Memorial Missionary Baptist Church

Recessional

