



## Creola Lenora Scott Bowens

October 19, 1927 - June 25, 2021

Creola Lenora Scott Bowens, 93, widow of Wylie J. Bowens and daughter of the late Ben "Papa" and Florence Myers Scott and stepdaughter of the late Alice Wallace Scott. Creola was born on October 19, 1927, in Lee County, SC. She departed this life on Friday, June 25, 2021, at Prisma Health Tuomey in Sumter, SC.

She received her early education in the Lee County Public Schools and graduated from Dennis High School, Bishopville, SC. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Elementary Education from Morris College in Sumter, SC. She did further studies at North Carolina A&T, South Carolina State College, and Francis Marion University. Her professional life as an educator included: Berkeley County (Cross High School), Horry County (Carver Street School and Popular Elementary) and Lee County (Fleming Elementary and Lower Lee Primary). She taught for over forty years and retired in 1991.

Creola accepted Christ as her Savior at an early age at Mechanicsville United Methodist Church. She was an active member of the United Methodist Women and the Senior Choir. She was a Lay Speaker and served as a member of Pastor Parish Relations (PPR) Committee, the Trustees, and the Historical Committee. She was a member of the Lee County Chapter of the

Morris College Alumni Association, the Jet Club, the North Main Community Club, the Jehovah Missionary Baptist Morning Bible Study Ministry, Past Worthy Matron St. Paul #345 Order of the Eastern Star (OES), the Lee County Education Association (LCEA), South Carolina Education Association (SCEA), and the National Education Association (NEA).

Her memory will be cherished by her children, Rev. Dr. Debbie Bowens-Davis (Deacon, CMSgt Ret. Robert Davis), Dr. Brenda Faye Bowens, Carol Bowens of Sumter, SC and Wylie (Deanna) Derrick Bowens of Virginia Beach, VA; two sisters, Bessie King of

Sumter, SC and Yvonne Moore of Atlanta, GA; one sister-in-law, Shirley Scott of

Bethune, SC; one aunt Martha Scott of Saginaw, MI. She was loved by her grandchildren Jana D. (George) Brailsford-Wise, Anthony (Sarah) Slaughter, Scott Davis, Sherree Davis, Joshua (Romina) Bowens, Shelton Davis, Daniel Bowens, and Derrick Alexander Bowens; great-grandchildren, Saffir Wise, Jeremiah Slaughter, Nathaniel Slaughter, Khalia Davis, Zoey Wise, Zoe Zalasko, and Zella Bowens and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her siblings Alice "Sadie" Prescott, Robert "Bubba" Scott, James "Jay" Scott, Edward "E.D." Scott, Roosevelt "Cooter" Scott, Lillie Mae McDuffie Smalls, and Donna Frierson.

A Graveside Service will be held at 10:00 am, at Hillside Memorial Park, 2561 Cains Mill Road, Sumter, South Carolina 29154.

Family will receive friends from 4-6 pm at Palmer Memorial Chapel, 304 South Main Street, Sumter, SC 29150.

In Lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to: The Morris

College National Alumni Association, P.O. Box 1736, Sumter, South Carolina 29151-1736, Creola Scott Bowens Fund for Higher Education in c/o of Mechanicsville United Methodist Church, 184 Lake Ashwood Road, Sumter, SC 29153.

Condolences may be made on her tribute page found at: [www.PalmerMemorialChapel.com](http://www.PalmerMemorialChapel.com)

To access the "livestream" of the service, please go to Facebook.com, search for Palmer Memorial Chapel Inc., and "like" the page. The livestream video will begin at the designated time of the service.

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

JUN **30**. 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Palmer Memorial Chapel - Sumter  
304 South Main Street  
Sumter, SC 29150  
(803) 773-3381  
palmermemorialchapel@sc.rr.com  
<https://www.palmermemorialchapel.com>

## Graveside Service

JUL **1**. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Hillside Memorial Park  
3001 Cains Mill Rd  
Sumter, SC

# Tribute Wall



“ *Creola Lenora Scott Bowens*

October 04, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ *Sending my condolences and prayers to the Bowens family.*

*Georthia Moses*



**Georthia Moses** - July 12, 2021 at 05:40 PM



“ *The Lucas Family sends Prayers and Condolences to the Bowens Family.*

*Deacon Willie Lucas*

**WILLIE LUCAS** - July 01, 2021 at 11:04 PM

OE

“ To: The family of Sister Creola Scott Bowens, The Clergy Family Information Center of The African Methodist Episcopal Church express profound sympathy to the family in the loss of your loved one, who transitioned from this earthly life to her heavenly home.



*May knowing that others share the loss you bear be a comfort to you now and in the days, ahead. In your quiet and solitude, as you reflect over her life and labors, we pray that you will find comfort and peace in the still small voice of God saying, “Lo, I’m with you even until the end of the world.”*

*“But for a moment the trials and crosses, weariness, troubles, and tears,  
When we have passed through the valley of shadows, Then, oh,  
what glory appears!”*

*In sympathy and prayer,  
Mrs. Ora L. Easley, International Administrator*

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**Ora L. Easley** - June 30, 2021 at 11:57 PM

RN

“ To Drs. Debbie & Brenda. I am so sorry for your the lost of your mother;a wonderful -hard working wife, mother, educator and citizen. May God bless, keep and strengthen each of you. Hold each other close, trust God, and remember the memories. Rev Sheila Blackmon Neal

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**Rev Sheila Blackmon Neal** - June 30, 2021 at 09:50 PM

JB

“ *Condolences to Deacon Robert & Dr. D. Davis and Family in the passing of your love one. May the peace of God be with you in the days, weeks, and months ahead. Love & Prayers --Bro. Freddie & Min. Johnnie Boone-MCCREA*



Johnnie Boone-McCrea - June 30, 2021 at 05:24 PM

BH

“ *What can I say about my Beautiful Aunt QUEEN. She was full of Grace and Class. I remember as a young child wanting to be just like her. Every Summer of my entire life I spent between the two houses on Martin Street. When I spent the night at her house she always looked so pretty dressed with pearls and matching earrings. Oh and the beautiful rings she wore! My Love of jewelry is solely because of her. I always felt like a little princess or one of her ladies in waiting when I stayed with her. She was just always Beautiful and Classy. Even when she was dressed down she was a step above all. She showed me how to love and take care of your husband and children. My husband will not move an inch and will wait until I fix his plate to this day. Aunt Creola I Love you and will sorely miss you. There will never be a QUEEN like you. My heart is broken knowing I will never see you again. I LOVE YOU Aunt Queen 💕🙏  
💔 Rest Easy my Dearest Aunt....All Hail the True Southern Queen. Rest in Perfect Peace 🙏*

Belita Morgan Houser - June 30, 2021 at 09:51 AM

HB

*We the Browns Family Silas and Paul and our family sends our condolences and prayers to the family*

HAZEL BROWN - June 30, 2021 at 02:51 PM

WK

“ *Windi King lit a candle in memory of Creola Lenora Scott Bowens*



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**Windi King** - June 30, 2021 at 09:38 AM

LS

“ *To my Dear Cousins Debbie, Brenda, Carol and Derrick), Please accept my sympathy and condolences for the loss of such a great woman, Aunt "Foxy" Creola Lenora Scott Bowens. I pray your strength in the Lord during this time of bereavement. Your loss is great and there may be days that may be a little more challenging than others but the memories you created with her will forever be embedded in your hearts; I pray they will bring you some peace and a special joy in the days, months and years to come. Aunt "Foxy", will be missed. She was indeed a family matriarch; no one will ever be able to fill her shoes. To all whose life was touched by Aunt Creola's presence, I pray your strength as well.*

*Much love and many blessings!*

*Rest I heavenly Peace,  
Love your niece Lenora Scott  
Lanham, Maryland*

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**Lenora Scott** - June 30, 2021 at 12:17 AM

JW

*God bless you and your family during this difficult time. Thinking of you with deepest sympathy, with love, and prayer that God will bless you and keep You in His care.  
Jannie White and family- Sumter SC*

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**Jannie White** - June 30, 2021 at 08:24 PM

MW

“ To the family of Mrs. Creola Bowen,

*I give thanks to the Lord Most High for the gift of the life of Mrs. Creola Bowen. It is evident that she has been a tireless worker in His vineyard. May your memories of her be held close and may her legacy live on in each one of you. Please be comforted in knowing that the Lord is always with you through every circumstance of life. Morning by morning new mercies we see as we look to him who loves and provides for us. Remember to be like Paul and Silas to rejoice even during the difficult times of life.*

*God's blessings to each of you.*

*With deepest sympathy,*

*Mary Grace Wilkerson*

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**Mary G Wilkerson** - June 29, 2021 at 11:32 PM

PR

“ *My aunt was a smart beautiful lady I always called her queen Elizabeth, because she always had on her peals and bedroom slippers and would pull her car out of her driveway and pull in to aunt Bessie driveway where she lived right next door, she was always dress up in the pretty dresses, and always wore her red lip stick with that beautiful smile. And would tell we're going off that was driving around town looking at people flower and looking in their window to see how there house looked, I will miss my Queen so very much.*

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**Peggy Prescott Robinson** - June 29, 2021 at 11:06 PM

AF

*To Debbie, Brenda, Carol, Derrick, Mrs. Bessie King and the entire family:*

*God Bless you at this difficult time. Thinking of you with sympathy, with love, and with a prayer that God will bless you everyday and keep you in His care.*

*Jimmie, Altoya, Jimal, Antoine Deas  
and Gloria Felder*

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**Altoya Felder-Deas** - June 30, 2021 at 09:21 PM