



Mrs. Gloria Elizabeth Roman Felder

December 16, 1940 - February 11, 2024

A Time to be Born...

Mrs. Gloria Elizabeth Roman Felder was born December 16, 1940 to the late George, Sr. and Malvenia Reed Roman. She was the twelfth of fourteen children and was reared in a loving and Christian home.

A Time to Grow...

Gloria's education began in the public schools in Sumter County and graduated in 1959 from Eastern High School, which is now R.E. Davis School. She studied at Denmark Technical College, Central Carolina Technical College, Morris College and Sumter Cosmetology School. Gloria worked for nine years as a secretary at Eastern High School and Morris College prior to employment as the Child Find Facilitator in the Special Services Department of Sumter School District Two, which is now Sumter School District. She thoroughly enjoyed working and assisting the families in the program until her retirement in 1994. Gloria was a life member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and the Sumter Branch of the NAACP where she served as the treasurer, membership committee, member of the Annual Fund Banquet, Get Out to Vote, and the voting polls in Sumter County.

She was also the president of the Sumter Parents Association, a member of

the Morris College National Alumni Association, Morris Sumter Alumni Chapter, Life Member of The Bernie Elk Lodge and a lifelong member of the McKeiver Club. The Morris College Presidential Citation was bestowed upon her by the late Dr. Luns C. Richardson, former President of Morris College.

A Time to Live...

Gloria married the late Lucius Felder, Jr. and to this union, two children were born, Altoya and Georgette. She was a kind, loving, and caring mother for her children, grandchildren, foster children and her community at large. Each year she made sure that the foster children received Christmas gifts and back to school items that she solicited from friends, churches, clubs, and organizations.

A Time to Worship...

At an early age, Gloria joined Saint Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church in Sumter, South Carolina and served in many capacities throughout her lifetime. She was a faithful member of the Senior Choir, Deliverance Choir, Pastor's Aide, Martin Luther King Committee, Women's Missionary Society, Mission on Building & Grounds, and the Mission and Welfare Committees. She also served as the treasurer of church. She was the Founder and Chairperson of Save the Children Program. God blessed Gloria for many years to serve faithfully with joy and happiness.

A Time to Die...

God saw the need to give his servant a rest and called her home on Sunday evening, February 11, 2024, in a soft and peaceful manner. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her daughter, Georgette Felder-Spain; son-in-love, William "Bill" Spain; two brothers and nine sisters.

A Time to Mourn...

Precious memories will be cherished by her family: a devoted and supportive daughter, Altoya Felder-Deas and son-in-love, Jimmie Deas of Sumter, South Carolina; four grandchildren, Jimal Deas of Marietta, Georgia, Christopher Spain of Dallas, Texas, Dr. Antoine Deas of Alexandria, Virginia, and Alexyus Spain of Charlotte, North Carolina; a brother, Johnnie (Miriam) Roman, Sr., and a sister, Dr. Barbara Roman Wilson Jackson, all of Sumter, South Carolina; sisters-in-love, Jean Felder of Sumter, South Carolina and Louise Shackelford of Charlotte, North Carolina; godsons, Dr. McKinley (LaKisha) Wilson, Jr., of Duluth, Georgia, Jarvais (Nessan) Wilson of Dacula, Georgia; four grand-godchildren, Kennedi, Chase, Aria and Roman Wilson; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and lifelong friends.

Memorials may be sent to: Morris College Alumni Affairs
100 West College Street
Sumter, South Carolina 29150

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Memorial Park

802 N. Guignard Drive
Sumter, SC

Previous Events

Public Viewing

FEB 16. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Palmer Memorial Chapel
304 South Main St.
Sumter, SC 29150
(803) 773-3381

Funeral Service

FEB 17. 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

St Paul AME Church
835 Plowden Mill Rd
Sumter, SC 29153

Entombment

FEB 17. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Evergreen Memorial Park
802 N. Guignard Drive
Sumter, SC

Tribute Wall

TE

“ Our deepest sympathy and condolences and prayers to the family and relatives.



Tammy Edwards - March 01, 2024 at 03:11 AM

DR

“ My heartfelt condolences & prayers are sent to Altoya &The Roman-Felder family during this difficult time. So sorry to hear of the passing of Mrs. Gloria she was always kind and caring and was full of life. Take your rest Mother Gloria! Love,Debbie Williams- Roberts ,Dubai United Arab Emirates

Debbie Roberts - February 17, 2024 at 01:25 PM

DW

“ My condolences to Altoya and the rest of the family. I met Gloria when I began working at Morris College in 1976. She was very loving and always willing to give advice when she felt it was needed. She will be missed.
Daisy C. Whittleton

Daisy C Whittleton - February 17, 2024 at 12:48 PM

KJ

“ Auntie Gloria you will always be a sweet memory in my mind and heart. Even though you couldn't remember my name, you knew me and called me niece. Rest peacefully now.

KATHLEEN JOHNSON - February 17, 2024 at 12:39 PM

RM

“ Reverend Daryl and Vivian F. McGhaney purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Mrs. Gloria Elizabeth Roman Felder.



Reverend Daryl and Vivian F. McGhaney - February 17, 2024
at 09:08 AM

LW

“ Sending our deepest condolences from the Wilson/ Robertson family. Mrs. Felder touched so many lives in the very best way. I'm grateful I got the chance to know her as my friend. She will truly be missed.
-Lillie Wilson

Lillie Wilson - February 17, 2024 at 08:04 AM

CD

“ From Mrs. Elizabeth Williams and Family: To the Roman and Felder Family , please know that you have our most sincere condolences and that you are in our prayers. We love you.

Connie Davis - February 16, 2024 at 09:15 PM

MS

“ Mr. Mrs. Stanley Scriven lit a candle in memory of Gloria Roman Felder



Mr. And Mrs. Stanley Scriven - February 16, 2024 at 07:03 PM

WW

“ Our Heartfelt Prayers and Condolences are being submitted on the Behalf of The Families/Friends of Mrs. Gloria Roman Felder.

I met Gloria while playing on a few Women's Softball Team with Her. She was a... "GOAT"...(In My Humble Opinion) She was Our Pitcher...And I was Her Short-Stop. It was Truly An Enjoyable Experience Which I'll Always Cherish.) "Rest-In-Peace".

Blessings, Peace & Forever Love,

*Wonda Maple Edmond Williams
Stone Mountain, Georgia*

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Wonda Maple Williams - February 16, 2024 at 05:00 PM

ER

“ Prayers goes out to the family. Mrs. Felder was a loving and caring person. She treated me as I was one of her sons every time we meet. She will be greatly missed. Love Pastor Eric & Lady Angela Ramsey and family.

Eric A. Ramsey - February 16, 2024 at 01:29 PM

MW

“ Mildred c. Wells lit a candle in memory of Gloria Roman Felder



Mildred c. Wells - February 16, 2024 at 01:19 PM

JS

*My thoughts and prayers are with the Roman and Felder. families.
Jasper Salmond*


Jasper Salmond - February 17, 2024 at 02:14 PM

CE

“ *Carl Epps Charleston, SC, So sorry to hear about the death of Mrs Gloria! I first met her in 1985 while working at China Barber Shop. She loved getting her hair cut by Mr. China! She was a fun lady that would all bring some laughs to the shop. Her and Mr China where great friends. I am so Blessed to have known Her! Much Love, may she Rest In Peace!*

Carl Epps - February 16, 2024 at 01:01 PM

AC

“ *My condolences to the family from Williams and Conyers families*


Aleashia W. Conyers - February 15, 2024 at 11:25 PM

BF

“ *Blessings and love, The Richburg Family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Mrs. Gloria Elizabeth Roman Felder.*



Blessings and love, The Richburg Family - February 15, 2024 at 04:47 PM

BC

“ *Mama Gloria showed me unconditional love, and always believed in me. She really was my hero!* ”



Britney Carter - February 15, 2024 at 03:15 PM

RR

“ *Richard & Brenda Dixon, Sabrina Ridges purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mrs. Gloria Elizabeth Roman Felder.* ”



Richard & Brenda Dixon, Sabrina Ridges - February 15, 2024 at 11:26 AM

WS

“ *Altoya & Jimmie, Felder, Deas and Spain families, Sending sincere prayers of condolences to each of you. So sorry to her of the passing of Mrs. Gloria. May the love of family, friends, strength from GOD, and fond memories be your source of comfort during this difficult.* ”



Wilbure & Squeak Savage

Wilbure & Squeak Savage - February 14, 2024 at 10:08 PM

AR

“ I met Mrs. Felder when I worked at Brody’s on Main. She always came in with a smile on her face and was one of the sweetest customers we had. She was so thoughtful and caring to bring a baby gift for my soon to be.



Amanda Corbett Roberts - February 14, 2024 at 08:43 PM

RF

“ Rezenia Wilson and family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Gloria Elizabeth Roman Felder.



Rezenia Wilson and family - February 14, 2024 at 03:16 PM