

Acknowledgements

The Nalls Family would like to express our deepest appreciation and sincere thanks for all acts of kindness shown to us in our time of sorrow. We would like to give a special thanks to the Sweet Kingdom Baptist Church family for all their support and prayers.

*Perhaps you sent a card or sat quietly in a chair;
perhaps you sent a funeral spray, if so we saw it there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words, as any friend
could 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.
The Nalls family*



*God called her to His heavenly home,
Part of His great plan,
Although it may be hard, we must all understand.
Faith is what is hoped for, things we cannot see,
Heaven is promised to all of us if we only believe.
Author unknown*

*Mother your life was full of loving deeds,
Forever thoughtful of our special needs,
Today and tomorrow, my whole life through,
I will always love and cherish you.
Author unknown*

Celebrating the Life Of Pearlie M. Nalls May 12, 1922 – December 21, 2021



*December 28, 2021, 11:00AM
Sweet Kingdom Missionary Baptist Church
4150 Chene St., Detroit, Michigan 48207
Officiating - Pastor Robert Jones*

Obituary

Pearlie is the Matriarch and Counselor Extraordinaire for the family. She is recognized and called upon throughout the community for her leadership, diplomacy, and wisdom. Pearlie is the 7th of 12 children born to Buford and Mary Gilliam. Her warm demeanor can be attributed to her Christian upbringing and southern roots where she grew up in West, MS. Her commitment to education was publicly recognized when she was named Valedictorian at her high school graduation from Durant High School. She completed her college prep studies in Greenwood, MS where she received her teaching license and later served as Principal and teacher at the elementary School in Vaiden, MS.

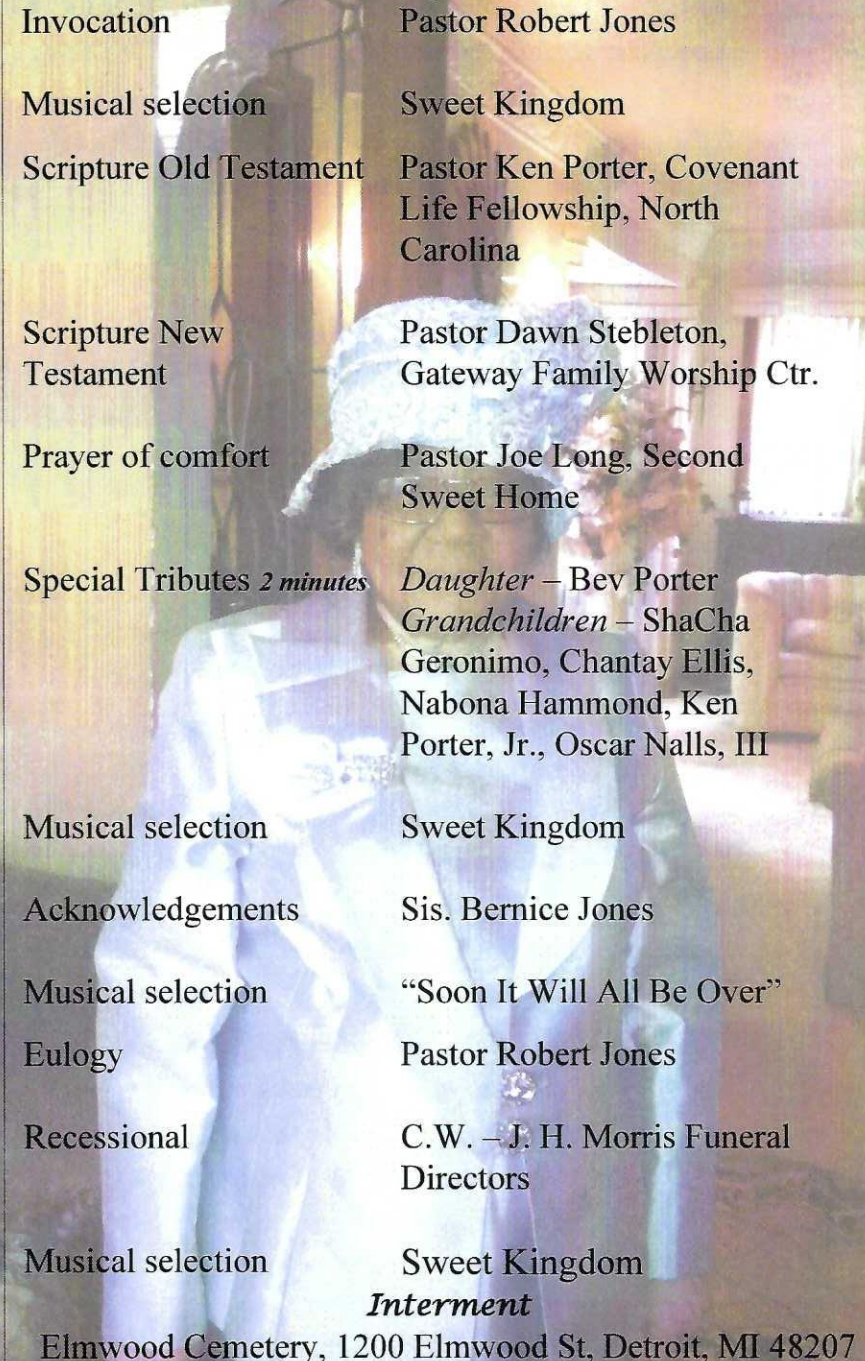
Pearlie married her childhood sweetheart, Oscar B. Nalls in 1945. They chose to begin their new life in Detroit, MI where they unselfishly led a life dedicated to serving God and their community. To this union, seven children were born. In 1954, Oscar and Pearlie united with Rev. and Mrs. James Robinson and other members of the community to form Sweet Kingdom Baptist Church. Their marriage continues to serve as a reflection of the relationship that Christ has with His Church even after the passing of Oscar Bell in 1986.

Oscar and Pearlie's commitment to education was evidenced in the rearing of their children. As chief architect of academic excellence, Pearlie's legacy will long be remembered through the Sweet Kingdom's Academic Scholarship Program she spearheaded in honor of her husband, Oscar B. Nalls, Sr.

Pearlie has earned countless awards for her outstanding teaching, speaking, and volunteer contributions. She has served in numerous capacities at Sweet Kingdom, including President of the Missions Ministry, member of the Deaconess Board, member of the Senior Choir, member of the Seasoned Saints, various roles on PTA Boards, Official Examination Proctor at the University of Detroit, Keynote Speaker for churches and community events, just to name a few. Pearlie's ability to develop positive rapport and empathize with people at all levels has earned her title of "Mom" to many, many people.

Pearlie's astute business skills allowed her success as a seamstress and co-owner of a general store in Detroit. Pearlie's grace and integrity has earned her the title of a Proverbs 31 Woman. She is survived by her sister Kattie McCullough – MS., her children: Mary McCall, Oscar B. Nalls, Jr., Linda Nalls, Glenda Hammond, Audrey (Raymond) Mattison, Beverly (Kenneth) Porter, and a host of grandchildren, great grandchildren, great great grandchildren, great great great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a son, Marvin Nalls and a daughter, Diane Broughton.

Order of Service



Invocation	Pastor Robert Jones
Musical selection	Sweet Kingdom
Scripture Old Testament	Pastor Ken Porter, Covenant Life Fellowship, North Carolina
Scripture New Testament	Pastor Dawn Stebleton, Gateway Family Worship Ctr.
Prayer of comfort	Pastor Joe Long, Second Sweet Home
Special Tributes <i>2 minutes</i>	<i>Daughter</i> – Bev Porter <i>Grandchildren</i> – ShaCha Geronimo, Chantay Ellis, Nabona Hammond, Ken Porter, Jr., Oscar Nalls, III
Musical selection	Sweet Kingdom
Acknowledgements	Sis. Bernice Jones
Musical selection	“Soon It Will All Be Over”
Eulogy	Pastor Robert Jones
Recessional	C.W. – J. H. Morris Funeral Directors
Musical selection	Sweet Kingdom
<i>Interment</i>	
Elmwood Cemetery, 1200 Elmwood St, Detroit, MI 48207	