

A Celebration of the Life of



Sunrise:
January
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1929

Sunset:
February
5
2022

Dr. Rosa Burrell Addison Cooper

Saturday, February 19, 2022

Service 11:00 a.m.

Liberty Baptist Church
4849 South King Drive
Chicago, Illinois 60615

Reverend Andrew Hunt, Pastor, Eulogist

My Prayer

*I do not ask...
That crowds may throng the
Temple,
That standing room may be priced,
I only ask that as I voice the
Message,
They may see CHRIST!*

*I do not ask...
That men and women may
sound my praises,
Or headlines spread my
name abroad,
I only pray that as I voice the
Message,
Hearts of men may find
GOD.*

*I do not ask...
for earthly place or fame,
Or of this World's distinctions
any part.
I only ask when I have voiced
the Message,
I'll find favor in my Savior's
Heart.*



Dr. Rosa Burrell Cooper



— *Dr. Rosa B.*

Dr. Rosa Burrell Cooper was born in Memphis, Tennessee to Reverend and Mrs. G.G. Burrell. Having been a Christian from early childhood and nurtured by Christian parents, she found joy, love and excitement in giving unselfishly of her time, talents and gifts to the work of the Master through the mission and teaching ministries of the Church of Jesus Christ. Dr. Cooper and her husband, the late Reverend Jesse Cooper, Sr. reared and trained four children in the fear and admonition of the Lord. Her children, Marva Lockett, Victor, Jessie II (deceased) and Joseph Cooper, and are blessed with 7 grandchildren. Dr. Cooper was previously a member of Greater Metropolitan Baptist Church, but moved her membership to Mt. Moriah Baptist Church of Chicago, Illinois. Her Pastor/Teacher was the Reverend Dr. O.C. Nicks, where her commitment to the work of mission and Christian Education continued until her illness in 2008.

Dr. Cooper was awarded an Honorary Doctorate Degree of Divinity from the United Theological Seminary and Bible College in Monroe, Louisiana and an Honorary Doctorate Degree from the Tennessee School of Religion in Memphis, Tennessee. She received her early college work at Lemoyne and Henderson Business College in Memphis, Tennessee and her Bachelors Degree from Cook County School of Nursing in Chicago, Illinois. She retired as a Nurse Allergist. She attended William Bible College, Moody Bible Institute and the National, State and District Congresses of Christian Education of the National Baptist Convention U.S.A., Inc.

Dr. Cooper's service in the Baptist Brotherhood District Association began in 1964. She served as Assistant Youth Director, Youth Director of the Young People's Department, Director General and Dean of the Congress of Christian Education. Currently, she serves as President of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Other labors of love include: Past Worship Leader, recording secretary and Youth Director of the Young People's Department of Baptist General State Convention of Illinois. She also served as an Instructor and Corresponding Secretary of Baptist General State Congress of Christian Education, and

Burrell Cooper

is the immediate Past President of the Women's Auxiliary to the Baptist General State Convention of Illinois. At the National level, she served as the Director of the All States and Theme Interpretation of the Young People's Department for 39 years. She served diligently as President of the Women's Auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc.

Beginning in 1971, Dr. Cooper traveled abroad as a delegate to the World Baptist Congresses and World Baptist Youth Conferences traveling from Hong Kong to the Philippines, from Argentina to Australia to Africa and other continents of the world. She had professional memberships in many civic and religious organizations, including; North American Baptist Women's Union; Church Women United; National Coalition for the Protection of Children and Families; National Council of Negro Women and the NAACP.

Dr. Rosa Burrell Cooper was committed to making a difference. She tried to successfully combine home, Church, work and the community in a manner pleasing to the Lord. Her spiritual, private, public and professional life is a testimony of *Proverbs 31:28, 30, 31*.

"Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her. Favor is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised. Give her the fruit of her hands and let her own works praise her in the gates."

Dr. Cooper departed her earthly home on Saturday, February 5, 2022 to go to her heavenly home.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Reverend Jesse D. Cooper, her son Jesse Cooper Jr. (Regina), her brother Ebenezer Burrell and her parents, Reverend G.G. and Irene Burrell.

She leaves to cherish her memories one daughter, Marva (Henry, deceased) Lockett; two sons, Victor Cooper and Joseph D. Cooper (Felicia); She also leaves 7 grandchildren, Jessica Addison, Lana Cooper, Spencer Cooper, Carson Cooper, Chelsea Cooper, Jace Cooper and Joseph Cooper Jr., and her nephew Curtis R. Burrell. Also her cousins, the Garrett family.



— The Celebration —

Processional..... Reverend Andrew Hunt

Invocation..... Dr. Mark A. McConnell
President, Baptist General State Convention of Illinois, Inc.

Scriptures..... *Old Testament* – Dr. J.B. Felker
New Testament – Reverend Dwayne Sweet

Solo..... Dr. C.C. Hatter

Tributes & Expressions of Love (2-3 minutes each)

Sister Ruby Shakelford,
President, Women's Auxiliary Baptist Brotherhood Association
Dr. Doris McGillberry,
President, Women's Auxiliary Baptist General State Convention
Dr. Cynthia P. Smith,
President, Women's Auxiliary National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc.
Dr. Jerry Young,
President, National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc.

Solo..... Curtis Burrell

Family Tributes

Resolutions..... Reverend Andrew Hunt

Pastor's Victory Message..... Reverend Andrew Hunt

Recessional

— Interment —

Evergreen Cemetery
3401 W. 87th Street
Evergreen Park, Illinois 60805