

## *Expressions of Gratitude*

*A Special Thanks and Acknowledgement to Annett's cousin Gwendolyn, from Toledo, OH and her Neighbors, Ann and Scott McComb for the love and care they provided Annett during her years in N.C., particularly throughout her declining health up until her passing. We thank you sincerely for being her family when the family was not there.*

### *To My Cousin, Annett*

*You are gone, but you will never be forgotten,  
And we realize that it was your time to part.  
God, Christ, and the Holy Spirit have you for now,  
But we will always hold our love for you in our hearts.  
Love, Renee Ruffin Price*

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## *A Celebration of the Life of*



*Clarice Cobb Butler Nago  
"Annett"*

February 12, 1947 - March 23, 2023

**The Chapel of Peace East  
Friday, May 26, 2023**

Visitation: 1:00pm Service: 2:00pm



# Obituary

Clarice (Annett Cobb) Butler Nago, age 76, passed away on Thursday, March 23, 2023, at the Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston Salem, N.C., following an extended illness. She was placed in hospice care in December 2022.

Annett was born on February 12, 1947, to Brady and Doris Dunn Cobb. She grew up in Warren, Ohio and was raised by her mother and stepfather, Webster Owens, along with her sisters, Brenda and Lisa, and her brothers Tyrone and Webster. Annett attended Warren City Schools and achieved the highest level in the Girls Scout of America, which enabled her to have the honor of being selected to be a representative from Ohio at the Washington DC Girls Scout Jamboree. Annett was a graduate of W.G. Harding High School, the Class of 1965. She continued her education by attending Warren Business College.

Annett was married to Jimmie Butler Sr. and from that union had a son Jimmie Butler Jr. in 1965. After their divorce, she provided for her son by first working at the Ravenna Arsenal for a period time and then accepted a position with the Lordstown City Schools District in Warren. Eventually, Annett met and married Dwight Nago Sr. Together, they had two sons Dwight Nago Jr. and Damon Nago. Annett and her family relocated to Winston Salem N.C. in 1978 where she and Dwight continued to raise their sons.

When her marriage ended after 17 years, as a strong-willed mom, Annett took on several jobs, such as Hanes Textile and AT&T, to continue to provide for her children until she retired. Another goal that she accomplished, which can be a challenge for any household, was for her sons to graduate from high school. After establishing a host of friends, Annett remained in Winston Salem for over 40 years.

Annett had a unique way of telling an unpleasant truth about a situation and instead of getting upset about it, one would consider the value of her wisdom because she would always tag it by saying how much she loved her family. She also loved to take pictures, starting from when she was in the Girl Scouts. She was immensely proud of a photograph of her maternal grandmother, taken by her cousin, which included in the background on a wall, a large picture of her as a toddler wearing a snowsuit. Annett also expressed that it meant a lot to her that she was named after one of her mother's older sisters, Aunt Clarice, who also was a strong-willed woman as well as a teacher, who just like Annett, valued education, and life lessons. Annett loved flowers and took joy in caring for her garden of bright colored flowers, which included shades of yellow, fuchsia, red, orange, and lavender. These same bright colors were reflected throughout her home. And she took great pride in the overall appearance of her lawn, so her neighbors were used to seeing Annett on her riding lawn mower on a regular basis. To quote Lisa, "riding her lawn mower was like riding a golf cart on her own course!"

Annett is survived by her sons, Dwight C. Nago Jr. (San Diego, CA), Damon C. Nago (Baltimore, MD); her brothers, Tyrone B. Owens (Roselyn) (Oakwood Village, OH) and Brady Cobb Jr. (Wuanita); her sister, (Lisa M. Owens (Michael V. Bailey - Fiancé) (Columbus, OH); her six grandchildren, Brandon Butler (Danielle) (Columbus, OH); Bryan Butler ( Jakaiah) (Tampa, FL); Jasmine Smith (Omaha NE); Diondre Butler (Omaha NE); Sofia A. Nago; and Marco Nago (New Jersey) and her three great-grandchildren. Annett also leaves behind a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other family members, and friends.

And although many of her friends from Winston-Salem preceded her in death, her local friends who remained dear to her include Lula Floyd, Paul Cuthtell, Sandy Michael, Ann and Scott McComb, Gerald and Louise Edwards, Beatriz Conrado, Dawn, Teri, Bonita, David, Ralph, and Oscar. The family thanks you all for the love and support you gave Annett throughout the years.

# Order of Service

ORGAN PRELUDE .....Chapel of Peace Music Ministry  
SCRIPTURE READING ..... Elder Brenda Talley  
Old Testament ..... Psalm 23  
New Testament ..... John 14:1-6  
PRAYER..... Pastor John Dunn Jr.  
MUSICAL SELECTION ..... Sabrina Tutstone  
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS ..... Elder Brenda Talley  
REMARKS ..... Family and Friends  
READING OF OBITUARY ..... Read Silently  
MUSICAL SELECTION ..... Sabrina Tutstone

## The Eulogy

Pastor John Dunn Jr.

BENEDICTION ..... Pastor John Dunn Jr.  
RECESSIONAL ..... Clergy, Family, and Friends

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I am the resurrection and the life: He that believeth in me  
though he were dead yet shall he live.  
And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. John 11:25-26