

Celebration of Life



Mother Thomas Almeta Linson

*Born into Life
January 2, 1927*

*Born into Eternity
September 1, 2025*

Saturday, September 13, 2025
1:00 P.M.

Gallatin United Methodist Church

1037 Damascus Road
Hazlehurst, MS 39083

**Pastor Noah Moore, Host Pastor
Reverend Charles Bryant, Officiant**



Obituary



Mother Thomas Almeta Linson, 98, of Hazlehurst, MS passed away at 7:59 a.m. on Monday, September 1, 2025, at her residence.

Mother Linson affectionately known as “Sister”, was born on January 2, 1927, in Barlow, MS to James and Ella (Kinnard) Strahan, Jr.

Mother Linson worked for Sanderson Farms for more than 45 years and was called by her middle name “Almeta” by her coworkers. She loved being of service to others so much that she later returned to the workforce at Copiah County Human Resource Agency and lastly worked at Hardy Wilson Memorial Hospital.

Mother Linson attended Smith Chapel School and joined Pleasant Green Baptist Church. After relocating to Hazlehurst, MS, Mother Linson became a member of Gallatin United Methodist Church where she faithfully attended Sunday School and served on the Usher Board. Mother Linson was the oldest member of the church until her death.

Mother Linson enjoyed a full life of fellowshiping with her friends and was considered an exceptionally entertaining host. She was a strong and viable person until her passing.

Mother Linson leaves to cherish her most precious memories, four daughters, Mary Ruth Pendleton, Sarah (John) Tillman, Betty Jean Daniels (her primary caregiver) all of Hazlehurst, MS, and Deborah (Jimmy) Faggett of Peoria, IL. Mother Linson had eighteen grandchildren with Paul Pendleton being her devoted grandson/caregiver for almost twenty years, a host of great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends who loved her. Mother Linson had three caregivers whom she loved like daughters, Selena Jones, Renita McIntosh and Tarnisha Harris all of Hazlehurst, MS.

She is preceded in death by her parents, three sons, Henry Washington, Willie Linson and James Linson; four brothers, Willie Smith, Sid Strahan, Jessie Strahan and Henry Strahan and four sisters, Mary Shakoor, Norcis Singleton, Johnnie Strahan and Annie Washington.

Mother Linson, we love you and you will be missed!



Order of Service

Ms. Connie Jones, Program Guide



Processional Soft Music Clergy and Family

Song..... Gallatin United Methodist Church Choir

Old & New Testament Scriptures Reverend Andre Tillman
Brandon Bay United Methodist Church
Tylertown, MS

Prayer Elder Nicholas Tanner
Greater Damascus Church of Christ (Holiness) USA
Hazlehurst, MS

Song Choir

Acknowledgements:

Cards and Condolences Ms. Connie Jones

Remarks: (2 minutes please)

Friend of the Family Herbert Copeland

Alderman (Ward 3) Shirley Sandifer

Family Sarah Tillman & Betty Daniels

Resolutions

Obituary Read Silently

Words of Encouragement Reverend Haywood Hannah
Mt. Sinai United Methodist Church
Hazlehurst, MS

Song Choir

Eulogy Reverend Charles Bryant
Asbury United Methodist Church
Bolton, MS



Funeral Directors in Charge

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God has chosen for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call,
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Task left undone must stay that way,
I've now found peace at the end of the day.

If parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joys.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh yes, these things, I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
Look for the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seems all too brief,
Don't lengthen your time with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and peace to thee,
God wanted me now; He set me free.



Pallbearers

Tyler Christmas	DeMario Martin	John C. Tillman
Jimmy Faggett, II	Ronald Scott	Zavion White

Honorary Pallbearers

DeMorris Daniels	Patrick Faggett	Charles Powell
Jimmy Faggett, I	Paul Pendleton	John Tillman

Flower Bearers

Friends of the Family

Interment

Social Relief Cemetery-3060 Old Natchez Rd. - Hazlehurst, MS

Repast

Gallatin United Methodist Church-Hazlehurst, MS

Arrangements and Services Entrusted to

House of People Funeral Home
446 Monticello Street ~ Hazlehurst, MS 39083
601.894.4331

Acknowledgements:

The Family of **Mother Thomas Almeta Linson**, acknowledges with grateful appreciation all expressions of lovingkindness shown during our time of bereavement.

We thank God for your compassion, thoughtfulness, and prayers.

The Family

In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you!
I Thessalonians 5:18

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