

MARIETTA ALDERMAN



Marietta “Boot” Alderman, 90, passed Friday, December 15, 2023 at the Life Care Center of Hilliard. Marietta was born May 25, 1933 in Boynton Beach, Florida, to the late Alfred and Josephine Smith. She moved to Jacksonville at an early age and attended the Public Schools of Duval County. She later moved to the Lessie Community of Nassau County and there she met and married the late Benjamin Alderman, Sr. To this union, 12 children were born. Marietta worked for and retired from the Federal Aviation Administration Air Traffic Control Center in Hilliard. She was a member of Mount Horeb Missionary Baptist Church where she served as Church Mother, Deaconess and Choir Member until her health failed.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Benjamin Alderman, Sr.; son Kenneth Alderman; and siblings Clarethia Walton, Lucille Alderman, Alfred Smith, Samuel Elliott and William Smith.

Marietta leaves to cherish her memory and mourn her passing her children Joyce (Lester) Mason, Benjamin (Beatrice) Alderman, Howard (Jerutha) Alderman, William (Gwendolyn) Alderman, Freddie (Phyllis) Alderman, Jackie Alderman, Taleen (John) Ashby, Rodney (Misty) Alderman, Theresa (Kevin) Jordan and James (Michelle) Alderman; 37 grandchildren; brother Leroy Smith; and a host of great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren; and extended family members and friends.

Marietta will rest for loved ones and friends Friday, December 22 from 5-7 p.m. at Mount Horeb Missionary Baptist Church in Hilliard. A celebration of life service will be held Saturday, December 23 at 1 p.m. also at the church, with Rev. Dr. Wallace Wyatt, Pastor. Mother Alderman will be laid to rest in Martin Cemetery.

Services by Sarah L. Carter’s Funeral Home, Jacksonville, (904) 765-4150.