



Tommie Catherine Kelly Hicks

July 3, 1920 - August 1, 2012

Mrs. Tommie Catherine Kelly Hicks (affectionately known as “Polly” and “Stem”) was born on July 3, 1920, in Blythewood, SC. She was the seventh daughter born to the late Tom and Kitty Kelly. She was called on to her Heavenly Home on Wednesday, August 1, 2012.

Tommie was educated in the public schools of Richland County. She joined Round Top Baptist Church at an early age where she followed in her father’s footsteps as a choir member. She was united in Holy Matrimony to Freeman Weldon Hicks on July 5, 1947. She worked tirelessly as a devoted caretaker and domestic worker until her retirement. She served as a deaconess in her later years until her husband passed away.

Tommie leaves to cherish her memories: one son, Larry N. (Beate) Hicks of Sierra Vista, AZ; three granddaughters: Takia N. Williams and Kiana L. Williams, both of Columbia, SC, and Chavelle C. Hicks of New York, NY; four great-grandchildren: Kiara M.S. Williams, Jerrell T.W. Dupree, both of Columbia, SC, Alanna Lyles and Lawrence Hicks, both of New York, NY; a dedicated son-in-law, Lydell W. Williams of Blythewood, SC, a dedicated caretaker and friend: Linda T. Cannon of Newberry, SC; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.