



# Venolah Collins

**Alton | Wednesday, January 22 2014**

Venolah Collins, affectionately called Mother Collins, was born to the late Earleen and Arthur Lagrone in Okolona, Mississippi, on August 19, 1924. Her vibrant and loving disposition were hallmarks of her personality and will be forever missed by the many lives she touched. How great is our God to have blessed us with one who touched our lives, shared our dreams and enriched our souls as Mother Collins did. God be praised for a life well lived!

During her employment years she worked at the Stratford Hotel, Clifton Terrance Restaurant, Collins Day Care, First National Bank and the William M. BeDell Center.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, Buford Robinson and Noble Robinson, and husbands, Chester Lewis and Jessie Collins.

On Wednesday, January 22, 2014, God, the giver of all life, in his infinite wisdom, closed the curtain of life and called Mom back to Himself. She is now resting until the coming of the Lord, waiting and enthusiastically anticipating the trumpet call of God when the dead in Christ shall rise first to meet the Lord in the air, and so shall she forever be with the Lord.

She leaves a great and lasting legacy that will continue on through her devoted family, daughters, Willie Mae Moses, Doris Earl Sayles, Earleen Patterson, Lavern Parker and her husband Johnie Parker, along with the entire Parker family (whom Mother loved as her own family), son, Norman Collins, grandchildren, Phoebe Jean LeDoux, Charles Collins (Jean), Ricky Collins (Laurie) Alnita Tillman, Doris Jean Sayles, Camille Parker and Christopher Parker, great grandchildren, Wanda Parker, Devin LeDoux, Charles LeDoux, Savannah Tyk-LeDoux, Devon Tyk-LeDoux, Justin Collins, Raven Tillman, Robert Barber, Clint Tillman, Courtney Collins, Alyssa Collins, Nicole Harris,

Christopher Lockett, Daniel T. Thompson, great great grandchildren Tiana Jacobson (Ammon), Sparkle Phoebe Jackson, Joy J. Hamilton, cousins Bridget Wakefield, Brenda Moore, John Moore, other relatives and heartfelt friends.