



Margie Lou Stallard Sowards

August 28, 1935 - July 27, 2018

Margie Lou Stallard Sowards, 82 of Huntington, WV, went to be with the Lord, Friday, July 27, 2018. She was born August 28, 1935 in Dickinson County, VA. the daughter of the late, Rev. Ernest O. and Fannie Yates Stallard. In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by her husband, Rev. Ernest Claude Sowards, Jr. brothers, Rev. Curtis D. Stallard and Rev. J.D. Stallard. Although she was born in Virginia, she grew up in the mountains of Mingo County, West Virginia. She worked for Island Creek Coal Company, was a clerk with GMAC and the American Cancer Society. She was a member of Apostolic Life Cathedral where she also taught a bible program called Purpose Institute. She and her late husband Rev. E.C. Sowards served as assistant pastor at Calvary Apostolic Church in Hurricane, WV, assistant pastor and later became the pastor of the 25th Street Pentecostal Church in Huntington for well over twenty years. While laboring along side of her husband, she played many roles, first as Pastors wife, church organist and singer, church treasurer and numerous other vital roles in making the church successful. She also taught at church camps in Ohio and West Virginia and exemplified and led by example of how to be a true Lady. She is survived by her daughter, Carolyn Sowards Brown of Huntington, WV and her grandson whom she adored, Jonathan Lee Brown of Huntington, WV; one sister, Nellarhea Stallard Frampton of Hernshaw, WV; two brothers, Carl (Joan) Stallard of Zanesville, OH. and Jerrell Stallard of Albuquerque, NM. and a host of family and friends. A Homegoing Celebration will be conducted on Tuesday,

July 31, 2018 at 7:00 PM at Apostolic Life Cathedral, 350 Staunton Street, Huntington, WV with Bishop E.S. Harper officiating. The family will receive friends from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Tuesday at the church. A family burial will follow on Wednesday at 10:00 am at White Chapel Memorial Gardens, Barboursville, WV. Henson and Kitchen Mortuary, 6357 East Pea Ridge Road, Huntington, WV is caring for the family. www.hensonandkitchen.com.

The Home-going Celebration Services for Sis. Margie Sowards will be "Live Streamed" at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, July 31, 2018 at the following address: <http://www.sundaystreams.com/go/ALC>

Cemetery Details

White Chapel Memorial Gardens

Route 60 East
Barboursville, WV 25504

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 31. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Apostolic Life Cathedral
350 Staunton Street
Huntington, WV 25702

Service

JUL 31. 7:00 PM (ET)

Apostolic Life Cathedral
350 Staunton Street
Huntington, WV 25702

Tribute Wall



“ *Henson & Kitchen Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Margie Lou Stallard Sowards*



Henson and Kitchen Mortuary and Cremation Services - July 31, 2018 at 10:31 AM



“ *Margie Lou Stallard Sowards*

October 23, 2023 at 01:49 AM



“ *To Nellie, Gerald, Carl and all the family members we are praying for you that God's comfort and peace will be with you in this great loss. Margie was a sweetheart and a Christian that showed the love of God. We appreciate the times she wrote encouraging posts on Facebook to us. She was faithful to God until the end. We will miss her. Love and prayers Brother and Sister John Paul Hughes*

John and June Hughes - August 02, 2018 at 09:54 PM

DA

“ I have had the honor to have known Sister Margie Sowards for many years and was her pastor for a short period of time. Her kindness , holiness , and loving spirit has been an inspiration to me . Will miss her sweet smile , but Heaven is a better place with her presence ..

Dr Mark Ayers - July 31, 2018 at 03:11 PM

DS

“ I love you Carolyn Sowards you and your family mean the world to me. Thank you for sharing your parents with us. Your Mom lead by example and showed love for people the way Christ loved people. She had a Servants heart... she taught me to reverence the house of God to respect the platform to come pure and holy before God before getting up. The times you took me to eat after church with them I will cherish forever. I had many glasses of tea and soda pop with your Mom and dad either working at the house with them or at the church. So many memories as I write this such great joy even with eyes full of tears. I owe a great deal to your family for loving me and sharing Jesus with me it's made me who I am today a nobody from the projects that they loved me as their own. I remember when they decided to no longer pastor and I was so upset because I loved them so much we where at church on the right side close to steps by her organ and were talking and I didn't like that we was going to get a new pastor and wife. She said your going to love them and be best friends and help serve with them. I didn't like it at first but she did it with such love and grace little did I know she was right I became so close to Bro and Sis Mills, I am so grateful for her wisdom and love. I pray for your strength in the days and weeks ahead she worked her whole life for this day now her and papa are together again walking the streets of Gold. Well done faithful Servant enter in to the joy of the Lord! 🙏❤️🕊️



Dana Skipworth - July 31, 2018 at 03:01 PM



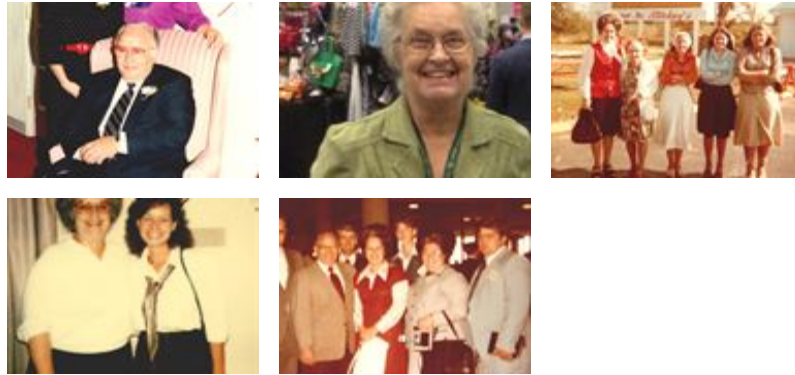
“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Margie Lou Stallard Sowards.*



July 31, 2018 at 11:46 AM



“ *64 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Henson and Kitchen Mortuary and Cremation Services - July 31, 2018 at 09:22 AM



“ *Glorious Memories Garland was purchased for the family of Margie Lou Stallard Sowards.*



July 30, 2018 at 08:15 PM

CY

“ I will never forget the time and love you gave to me teaching me and loving me. You have run your race and reached your goal. Leaving behind a wonderful family and many friends but only for a short time. But most importantly you left behind a christian testimony, and a legacy that will live on forever. I Love You and I cant wait to see you again. Connie

Connie Yates - July 30, 2018 at 07:25 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Margie Lou Stallard Sowards.



July 30, 2018 at 02:30 PM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Margie Lou Stallard Sowards.



July 30, 2018 at 01:37 PM

TP

“ *She was a wonderful lady and will always be special to our family, her and Bro. Sowards were our second set of parents. Thank you for all your love and dedication and service to the Lord. She will always have a special place in our heart, we love you and will keep you in our prayers.*

*Tim & Debbie Porter
Regina Perkins*

Tim & Debbie Porter - July 30, 2018 at 01:30 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Margie Lou Stallard Sowards.*



July 29, 2018 at 07:36 PM

JU

“ *Carolyn sorry for your loss she was a nice person*

Judy - July 29, 2018 at 04:24 PM

BK

“ Carolyn and family - so sorry for your loss. Sis Sowards and her husband were always the same-WONDERFUL. She was always always so sweet and kind to Bro Keefer & I. We could always strike up a conversation and she always had time for us. She had such wisdom. Her organ playing was so anointed along with her singing. Gifted teacher. Carolyn, you and your son were so loved by her. She bragged on you all frequently. I was always so happy to see her smile when our eyes met at church events. Love your Mother

brenda keefer - July 29, 2018 at 12:22 PM

BC

“ Carolyn My condolences to you on the passing of your mother, Sis. Sowards. I know she will be greatly missed. Praying for you. Barbara Calhoun

Barbara Calhoun - July 29, 2018 at 10:12 AM

DS

“ Sister Sowards was like a mom to me. She always treated me so good and she was always there to help anyone she could. My heart aches. She will be missed very much. Another angel in heaven. Donald Smith



Donald Smith - July 29, 2018 at 09:32 AM

BL

“ So very sorry for your loss she and her husband was my pastor when I was young and went to 25 Th St church with my mom and my grandfather she will be missed. S he was a very sweet lady and always had a hugs for everyone. Sending prayers to the family
Brenda Fetty Leake



Brenda Fetty Leake - July 28, 2018 at 04:11 PM

JC

“ I can't believe my precious Aunt Margie Lou Stallard Sowards has passed from this Earth. Heaven has truly gained a Godly woman who was a Christian mentor and friend to so many people. I will never forget all the fond memories I have of how you were a second mother to me. You always wore the beautiful smile seen in this picture and you were beautiful inside and out. You are now rejoicing as you join your husband, mother, father, and brothers in Heaven. I look so forward to joining them all. I will never forget staying at your house once. I heard you up before dawn sweeping your floors. I learned to recognize the precious sound of your footsteps as I laid in bed and listened. I cherish our last conversation this past Thursday when you called me to say you were coming to visit Mom. You told me all about moving and how you and Carolyn were downsizing to make room for everything. You were always so good to me. Love you Aunt Margie. You will be sorely missed.

jeannie clark - July 28, 2018 at 03:01 PM

CH

“ I loved Sis. Sowards so much. She was a great pastor's wife and a great example of a christian woman to all. I will always remember her instructions to the young ladies to always pray that God will lead you to who He has for you and saying that if you don't see your pastor's wife doing, acting or wearing certain things, you shouldn't. I will miss her, but also know our sadness is her joy. She is home with the God she loved so much.

Clova Harris

Clova Harris - July 28, 2018 at 11:33 AM

CS

“ Cyndi Wright Sander lit a candle in memory of Margie Lou Stallard Sowards



Cyndi Wright Sander - July 28, 2018 at 11:26 AM

NS

“ She was my dearest friend. Her family and mine were very close over the years in Red Jacket, WV. Her dad, Rev. Ernest Stallard, and both her brothers, Rev. J.D. Stallard and Rev. Curtis Stallard were my pastors. I sat under their pastor-ship for around 30 years. We had some many memories we would always share. Sis. Margie and all my sisters were very close. But over the past few years she stood by me and she was my mentor through all this time during my ministry. She was at the opening of my first church I started in Lavalette, WV near Huntington and she played the organ. I have the pictures of that night that I will cherish always. She was always there for me through all things and she was for everyone as well. What a Godly woman she was. I will miss you so much, and will see you again! I love you so so much! My heart is so broken! God be with you, Carolyn and Jonathan. I am so sorry for your great lost! Love you!

Nella Dudley Sammons - July 28, 2018 at 07:51 AM

ML

“ A great woman of God!

Mary Lee - July 28, 2018 at 07:23 AM

 Donna
Herrin

“ Oh I remember her when I was growing up thinking what a beautiful , kind, gentle woman of God. I always admired her.

Donna Herrin - July 28, 2018 at 06:12 AM

SH

“ I have always loved ❤️ and respected this Beautiful Lady!!! It hurt my heart to hear of her passing!!! She will certainly be Missed, but never Forgotten!!! It's been our sincere privilege to be her Pastors for nearly 10 years!!!

Carolyn and John we love ❤️ you both and are praying 🙏 for you!!!
Pastor & Sis Edwin Harper



Sharon Harper - July 27, 2018 at 11:23 PM

PW

“ Patsy Williams lit a candle in memory of Margie Lou Stallard Sowards



Patsy Williams - July 27, 2018 at 10:20 PM