



Mrs. Savannah H. Crowder

August 1, 1920 - July 17, 2023

Obituary

“I come to the garden alone, while the dew is still on the roses, and the voice I hear, falling on my ear the Son of God discloses – And He walks with me and He talks with me and He tells me I am His own and the joy we share as we tarry there none other has ever known” C. Austin Miles

Savannah Hill Crowder was born August 1, 1920, in Concord, NC to the late Pastor James Edward Hill, Sr. and Beulah Gaston Hill. Her father was founder of Beulah Baptist Church in Concord, NC. where Savannah accepted Jesus Christ and began her spiritual journey.

Sis. Crowder received her formal education from Logan Elementary and graduated from Logan High School in Concord. In Concord she married Leonard Crowder, and three children were born from that union: Leonard, Larry, and Vivian. Later, Sis. Crowder migrated to Washington, DC where she continued her education at Margaret Murray Washington Vocational School for nursing and Armstrong Vocational School for Upholstery. After graduating as a Licensed Practical Nurse, she worked many years at Freedmen’s Hospital, followed by years of private duty nursing.

Sis. Crowder joined in fellowship with Salem Baptist Church for many years, followed by her fellowship with New Southern Rock Baptist Church in 1963 under the late Rev. Siegler. She served faithfully for years as a member of the Siegler Fellowship Club, the Courtesy Chorus, Prayer Band, Sunday School

teacher, Director of Baptist Training Union (BTU), and Vacation Bible School coordinator. Known for her anointed, melodious voice, Sis. Crowder was well known for her electrifying, soul stirring, spirit filled recitals in church and abroad. She always made herself available to render her voice to many families at funerals, weddings, church/Pastor anniversaries, or wherever she was called upon. Sis. Crowder was WELL verse in the Bible, an advocate for studying the Word of God. She faithfully attended the National Baptist Convention and you would often find her traveling anywhere there was good preaching and good ole' gospel singing.

Sis. Crowder aka 'Grannie' was a free spirit at heart who loved and enjoyed road trips with her grandchildren who she affectional called "Her Birds". She always made time to spend with her family near and far. She was known for her vivacious laughter which could be heard across the room. Most gratifying for her were the many hours of sewing and upholstering, cooking, gardening, ceramics, which she taught to her children and grandchildren.

Sis. Crowder's death is preceded by her parents, her siblings, Janie Mae Hill, James E. Hill, Jr., Willie Mae Thompson, John Calvin Hill; her three children Leonard H. Crowder, Larry Crowder, Vivian Johns Price; four grandchildren, Nynetta G. Adams, Roderick E. Johns Sr., Leonard R. Johns Sr., and Sandra Belton. She leaves to cherish one daughter-in-law, Erma Crowder, son-in-law U. Sherman Price; 4 grandchildren, Sheryl Sanders, Leonard Crowder Jr., Donna Best, James Johns; 10 great-grandchildren, Roderick E. Johns Jr., Michelle and Erica Earl, Angellica Crowder, Marquis Lewis, Peaceful Best, Victoria Belton, Brittany and Bri Johns, Alexis Adams; 13 great-great grandchildren, Emmitt, Evonte Douglas, and E'mya Earl, Aiomi Alexander, Anaiah Crowder, Yakira Graves, Denard Johns-English, Rayahlynn Johns, Linyah Alfred-Johns, Leonard Johns Jr., L'Raelyn Graves, Roderick Edward Johns III, Harmony T. Best; a dear friend Carrie Simpkins, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Cemetery Details

Lincoln Memorial Cemetery

4101 Suitland Rd
Suitland, MD 20746

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

New Southern Rock Baptist Church
750 Buchanan St NW
Washington, DC

Service

AUG 1. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

New Southern Rock Baptist Church
750 Buchanan St NW
Washington, DC

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Savannah H. Crowder*

October 23, 2023 at 08:15 AM



“ *Mama I miss you with all my heart but will always cherish our special times together, R.I.P. Mama, no more pain and in a peaceful place now 🙏🥹😊*



Sheryl Sanders - August 15, 2023 at 08:59 AM



“ *We the March Family and Marshall-March Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

Marshall-March Funeral Homes - July 20, 2023 at 04:20 PM