

A piece of our heart lives in
Heaven

FLORAL BEARERS
Family and Friends

PALL BEARERS
Family and Friends



A FALLEN LIMB

A limb has fallen from the family tree.

Keep hearing my voice saying:

Remember the best times, the laughter, the song.

The good life I lived while I was strong.

Continue my heritage I'm counting on you.

Keep smiling and surely, the Sun will come through.

Trusting in Jesus he will see you through.

My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest.

Remember always how I truly was blessed.

*Continue traditions no matter how small. Go on
with your lives, don't worry about falls. I know you
will miss me dearly, but keep up your chin. Until the
day comes when we are all together again.*

FROM MY HEART

"Remember Jesus Loves You and So Do I."

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THE LIFE & LEGACY

Honoring the Life of



Sunrise
June 19, 1926

Sunset
May 28, 2021

Mary C.
DESHAZO

Viewing: Tuesday, June 8th, 2021 • 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Service: Wednesday, June 9, 2021 • 11:30 AM

**LEWIS CHAPEL MISSIONARY
BAPTIST CHURCH**

5422 Raeford Road • Fayetteville, North Carolina

Rev. Dr. Christopher D. Stackhouse, Sr., Eulogist

Order of Service

ProcessionalClergy & Family

Hymns of PraiseChurch Choir

Scriptures:

OLD TESTAMENT *Psalms 23*
Kamilah Cooper

NEW TESTAMENT *John 14:1-6*
Shonell Reed

Prayer of Comfort Rev. Wells
Falling Run Baptist Church

Hymn of ComfortChurch Choir

Acknowledgements

Obituary (READ AT YOUR LEISURE)

Hymn

EulogyRev. Dr. Christopher D. Stackhouse

Hymn of Victory*"I'll Fly Away"*

Recessional

INTERMENT

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2021

SANDHILLS STATE VETERANS CEMETERY

8220 Bragg Blvd. • Ft. Bragg, North Carolina 28310

In Appreciation


We, the family of MARY CLOSE DESHAZO wish to express our sincere appreciation and thanks for all acts of kindness shown during our time of bereavement.

May God continue to bless each of you.

Mary's Life...

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

PSALM 116:15

n May 28, 2021, **SISTER MARY CLOSE DESHAZO** was called home to join in a new and everlasting life with her Lord and Savior in Heaven. On June 19, 1926, Mary was born in White Hurst, North Carolina to Thurman Close and Lossie Knight. She was the third of four siblings, (two died at infancy). She was extremely close to her sister Daisy Ligons whom she affectionately called "sister". After the death of their mother, Mary and her sister Daisy moved to Parmele, North Carolina with their father Thurman. In 1945, Mary graduated from W.C. Chance High School in Parmele and moved to Washington, DC. In 1946, she married Thomas J. Williams, Jr. Of that union were born three children Thomas J. III, Frederick L. and Pamela. She dearly loved and cherished them. Her husband Thomas Jr. died at an early age (33) leaving her with three small children to raise, but God was faithful. He blessed her with help from her sister, Daisy and her brother-in-law, Ralph Leonard. They were one big happy family.

MARY worked at the USA Health Clinic which later became Andrew Rader USA Health Clinic in Fort Meyer, VA. in the OB&GYN Clinic for thirty (30) years. She retired October 1983.

In 1964 Mary met her second love Thomas J. DeShazo, a Navy veteran. They were married April 9, 1966. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather.

MARY and Thomas DeShazo were active members of Peace Baptist Church in Washington, DC, for many years. After they both retired they moved to Hope Mills, North Carolina and became active members of Lewis Chapel Missionary Baptist Church. She was a member of the Wednesday noon day bible study. She and Sister Easter McCant taught for more than (10) years and enjoyed every minute of it. She was a member of the Women's prayer group, The Lunch and Learn Bible Study group, the Prison Ministry and loved Sunday School. She was an active member of Lewis Chapel until her homegoing.

MARY enjoyed life and she travelled extensively. Because of her love of others, she was called a Barnabas (an encourager). She loved the Lord above all. Her greatest desire was to do his will and live a life that represented him well.

She leaves to cherish her memory her three dedicated children Thomas Williams (Cindy), Frederick Williams (Dollie), Pamela Williams Cochran, and step daughter Thomasena Williams, whom she loved dearly. Twelve grands, several great grands and great-great grands, her lifetime friends Loretta Scott, Carlton Chase, two former daughters-in-law and many other Family, Church family, and Neighbors.