



Delois Faye Harper

September 27, 1942 - May 14, 2025

Delois Faye Harper was born on September 27, 1942, in Gilmer, TX in Bethlehem Community, to the parentage of James Otis Harper Sr. and Ora Lee Harper. She graduated from Valley View High School and embraced life with a gentle and loving spirit.

Delois found joy in shopping and in the simple pleasures of life. Her creative hands were skilled in the art of quilting, and her mind found satisfaction in the challenge of puzzles. She had a connection to nature, finding peace and beauty in her garden and the outdoors. Animals held a special place in her heart. She enjoyed leisurely walks, the friendly competition of Uno, and the comforting act of cooking delicious meals for those she loved. Her faith was an important part of her life, and she was a dedicated member of Bethlehem Baptist Church for many, many years.

Her professional life led her to the Henson family of Gilmer, Texas, where her dedication and warmth fostered a bond that transcended a working relationship; they became her cherished extended family, whom she loved with a mother's heart.

In 2015, as she began experiencing health issues, Delois moved to Dallas, Texas, to reside with her sisters. There, she became a committed member of Zion Apostolic Temple Church under the leadership of Bishop Leon E. Parker.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James Otis Harper Sr. and Ora Lee Harper, as well as her siblings, James Otis Harper Jr., Ida Mae Johnson, and Aneila May Gordon.

Her memory will be treasured by her loving sisters, Zelda Jo Jones (TW) of Dallas, Texas, and Willie Opal Proctor of Desoto, Texas. She also leaves behind a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces and nephews, great-great nieces and nephews, family and friends along with her special friends, Ms. Wanda Jean Johnson, Ms. Marie Gosha and the entire Henson family, all of whom will deeply miss her kind presence.

Cemetery Details

Crossroad Cemetery

Gilmer, TX

Previous Events

Wake

MAY **22.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Zion Apostolic Temple
3940 Blue Ridge Blvd
Dallas, TX 75233-2402
(214) 339-1190

Service starting at 06:30pm

Celebration of Life

MAY **24.** 11:00 AM (CT)

Bethlehem Baptist Church
7665 Cat Road
Gilmer, TX 75644

Tribute Wall



“ *Tom's Mechanical, Inc. - Kris's Team purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Delois Faye Harper.*



Tom's Mechanical, Inc. - Kris's Team - May 20, 2025 at 02:20 PM

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“ Delois became part of our family in 1981. She brought many good and spiritual things into each of our lives. But speaking now for myself, I don't believe I would have made it without this sweet sister of never ending faith in God our Heavenly Father and his Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Delois was a special child of God and a special beacon of light for me in this earthly journey thru life. My children are her children and she was a wonderful mother to them. Many people don't know of her heroism. She held me up thru the first fire and devastation of the first fire in our home. She saved the lives of Kari, Jesi, and Rachel by getting them to safety when fire ripped thru our home again. She comforted me when , at 19 months I did not see Analise and I ran over her. And later she boosted my faith during Analise's accident that almost took her life. Delois was always there holding me up. Lolo loved to see and made beautiful quilts. There is always some on my beds. And oh how she loved to cook(thank goodness). She loved to bake cakes but her chicken and sometimes duck dressing was unsurpassed by anyone's. Everyone looked so forward to Lolo's dressing. I think Colby looked forward all year long to holidays because of her dressing. And she was always the center of our holidays. They have never been the same and never will in her absence. There is so much more to say. But I know beyond a shadow of a doubt that our Lolo is wrapped in Jesus's arms because she had a love for Him and lived her life so that love was so bright. I love you with all my heart, I owe you so much my sister and my dear, dear friend. My heart and my thanks go to Miss Willie Mae and Miss Zelda for your pain and loss. And to all of Delois's nieces and nephews and to Miss Wanda Jean, her sweet dedicated friend.

Donna Henson - May 20, 2025 at 12:48 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Delois Faye Harper.

May 19, 2025 at 11:22 PM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Delois Faye Harper.



May 19, 2025 at 11:22 PM



“ Iam so sorry for your loss praying for the family that God will give you peace that surpass all understanding.

Melvetta nash - May 17, 2025 at 09:23 PM



“ A beautiful woman who always spoke to you with a big smile. She will be missed by all who knew her. Praying for her sisters and family.

Pastor Johnny Ray and Co-Pastor Deborah McGowan of Word of Praise Apostolic Tabernacle in Glenn Heights, Texas.

Pastor Johnny Ray McGowan - May 17, 2025 at 07:46 PM



“ Condolences to the family and friends. ❤️🙏

Joanne Sanders Lee - May 17, 2025 at 03:28 PM



God Bless Willie , Zelda and entire family, Praying God's Blessing on you all, Comfort and strength you all, Sending Love and hugs

Jean Gibbs - May 17, 2025 at 04:03 PM