



## Alberta Garner

January 10, 1930 - November 2, 2018

Alberta Nevels Garner was born to the late JB Nevels and the late Lucille Baker of Taylor, TX on January 10, 1930. Due to the unexpected death of her mother, Alberta was reared by her grandmother the late Alberta Baker who she affectionately called “Momma”.

Alberta attended Blackshear O.L. Price Public School in Taylor and completed her formal education at Austin Community College where she obtained her GED.

Alberta professed Jesus Christ as her Lord and Saviour under the leadership of the late Pastor L.E. Brown of First Baptist Church, Taylor where she remained a faithful member until her passing.

Alberta met and married the love of her life the late Pastor Tommie Lee Garner, Sr., March 1964 and together they brought a blended family; Zelma, Bettye, Lucille, Quintos, Bobbie and from this union Tommie Lee Garner, Jr. was born.

Alberta’s core values are testaments to her uniqueness. Although not perfect she would often let you know in English or an unknown tongue that God was still working on her. She was undeniably a woman of Faith, Family, Fashion and Friends.

Alberta loved the Lord, and did not mind sharing her testimony of The Lord’s goodness towards her. Those who knew her had to listen often as she reflected upon how she had an encounter with God and how he changed her life. No matter how many times you heard this, she was destined to tell it

again and again and it was as fresh to her as the day it happened. She always concluded with the significance of the cross as the means of her salvation and “ever since I met Jesus, I’ve reached a turning point in my life”. She was unashamedly born again!

Alberta was the Big Mama of the family. Family mattered to her and it was at her house that everybody was somebody special. One of the joys of her life was taking care of her family.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Rev. Tommie Lee Garner, Sr.; daughter Ann Marie Scott; son, Quintos Scott; grandson Tony Woods; granddaughter Sherilyn Washington Brockington; and sister Doris Nevels. She leaves to cherish her memories; her children, Zelma Neal (Austin, TX), Bettye Huff, Lucille and (Rev. George) Winn, Bobbie and (Randolph) Griffin, Tommie (Diane) all of Taylor, TX; 26 grandchildren, 46 great grandchildren, 25 great-great grandchildren; brothers; Chris (Lisa) Smith of Mesquite, TX, Elroy Stoglin, Dallas, TX, sisters; Ruby Turner of Nashville TN, Norma Oliver of Abilene, TX, a host of nieces, nephews and cousins. Adopted daughter Ruby Tealer of Taylor, TX.

# Cemetery Details

## Taylor City Cemetery

1101 E 4th Street  
Taylor, TX

# Previous Events

## Public Visitation

NOV **9**. 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

A Life Celebration by Franklin  
510 S. Main St.  
Taylor, TX 76574  
(512) 365-6000

## Celebration Service

NOV **10**. 1:00 PM (CT)

The First Baptist Church  
300 N Robinson Street  
Taylor, TX 76574

# Tribute Wall



“ *Alberta Garner*

October 06, 2023 at 07:08 AM



“ *REV. TOMMIE AND ALBERTA WERE DEAR FRIENDS TO ME. I WENT TO TOMMIE'S FUNERAL BUT I NEVER SAW THAT ALBERTA PASSED! I USED TO ENJOY VISITING WITH HER WHEN SHE WORKED AT THE FUNERAL HOME. I WOULD PICK UP A DR. PEPPER FOR EACH OF US AND WE WOULD VISIT AT THE FUNERAL HOME! I LOVED THEM SO MUCH AND I GOT TO KNOW TOMMIE JR. WHEN I WORKED AT THE BANK! I LOVE YOU ALL SO MUCH! GOD BLESS YOU ALL TOO! RITA HUSER*



**Rita Huser** - July 22, 2023 at 03:33 PM



“ *As fellow Brothers and Sisters in Christ, we are confident our prayers, for the comfort and mercy of God's Grace, for you and your family, will be answered.*

*Love,  
Your Friends  
Elgin Funeral Home*



**Ms. Gwen** - December 27, 2018 at 10:23 PM



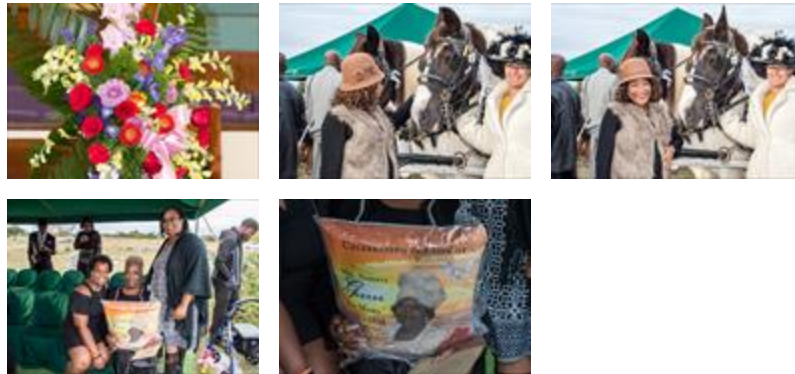
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Linda Mayo - November 26, 2018 at 09:58 PM



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Linda Mayo - November 16, 2018 at 10:31 AM



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A Life Celebration by Franklin - November 12, 2018 at 09:50 PM

BC

“ Continued prayers for My Family, Big Mama is definitely going to be missed. So many memories, stories and laughs she has left embedded in our hearts. I can just imagine in my mind as she strolled through those pearly gates with that famous Miss America wave she said "Tom I've made it", her memory will forever live on!!!!



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**Byron Caldwell** - November 09, 2018 at 11:26 PM

GC

“ U will truly be missed. Praying for the Garner family. Look to the hills from whetch cometh our help. Be blessed

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**Gayle Marshall Comer** - November 09, 2018 at 10:44 PM

PJ

“ Prayers going out for Rev. T.L. Garner and Family. I have fond memories of Sis. Garner, even with The Elgin Community Choir. Such a sweet Spirit. She will truly be missed, but nothing can take away her Legacy, her Life and her Love. God Be With you all. For His Comfort and Faithfullness is ever unfailing.

*Patt Jackson*

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**Patt Jackson** - November 09, 2018 at 03:01 PM

MR

“ To Tommy and the Garner Family,

*What a beautiful life and legacy. Well respected and loved by many especially my family. Mrs. Garner will be truly and greatly missed not only by her family but by all the many lives she touched especially mine. She was very instrumental in my life and I will be forever grateful. Fly high beautiful Angel because you gained your wings. Sincere prayers to you Tommy and your entire family. Be Blessed.*

*Love Always,*

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**Michelle "Deda" Rollie-Anderson** - November 08, 2018 at 12:05 PM

MH

“ *What a beautiful legacy. Life well lived and will be missed by all who knew and loved her. Rest in peace! Gone but never forgotten !!*



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**Moses Hutchins** - November 07, 2018 at 10:29 PM

SG

“ *Sisters Ceola & Florence Grant purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Alberta Garner.*



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**Sisters Ceola & Florence Grant** - November 07, 2018 at 03:45 PM