



## Margaret Tucker

January 6, 1937 - June 10, 2019

Margaret E. Tucker (Mog) was born on January 6, 1937 in Greenville, South Carolina to the late Ebb Blackmon, Sr. and Jessie Seaborn. On Monday, June 10, 2019, she passed away peacefully at the CT Hospice in Branford, CT. She was 82 years old. November 1955 is when George & Margaret's life began as one, they were married for 50 years. Blessings came with their 4 wonderful children, Gwendolyn, Wanda, Karen, and Dennis. They are each unique in their own way. She had many childhood memories growing up with 4 sisters and 4 brothers. The family moved to Connecticut when Margaret was 11 years old.

She graduated from James Hillhouse High School, then she received an Associate Degree in Early Childhood Education from South Central Community College (Renamed Gateway Community College) & Her final step Margaret earned a Bachelor degree in human services from New Hampshire College in 1984.

In 1969-1970 the Lord impressed Margaret to want a business of her own. She saw a need for a childcare establishment in the greater New Haven/Newhallville area and beyond. Her sister, Patricia Harris, agreed so they surveyed the area of Newhallville and Hamden and Praise the Lord, the need was there. They got permission from the Mt. Zion SDA Church to use the lower level of the church in 1970. They had the support of many supporters, but Teddy Glover sticks out as an excellent mentor and resource person. They invested in well-made childcare equipment, with plans to begin

the summer of that year.

2-3 years earlier Margaret was working at Nationwide Insurance in Hamden, CT. She was being trained to be a supervisor which she accomplished shortly after. She became the First African American Supervisor at Nationwide Insurance. This was quite an Honor especially at that time, because of Margaret's ambition and love of children. This lead her and her sister; to open the daycare in the basement of Mount Zion SDA Church. The uniqueness of this daycare only vegetarian no meat-based lunches was served. The daycare has reputation of being healthy, loving and nurturing, because of this, the daycare attracted clients of all culture, races, countries and Socio- economic backgrounds, all of this was due to Margaret's business Savvy and strong faith. Harris and Tucker continues to be a beacon in the community. Margaret was also instrumental in creating and starting Harris and Tucker Adventist School K-8 which was very successful at the time.

During this time Margaret was very active in her church. Always having an interest in young people, she was nominated and voted in as the MV/AY (Youth) leader at Mount Zion. Under her leadership she taught the youth books of the Bible, key Bible characters and many other different activities that require reading, searching, thinking, comprehending the written work and the spirit prophecy.

Margaret over seen the collection of canned food from the affluent areas near the church. Grocery stores gave items such as turkeys, fruit, cornbread mix, cake mixes, stuffing mixes and free paper bags as well. These foods were distributed to the less fortunate among us, then to those referred to us in the community or from schools.

Family was very important to Margaret. She planned many gatherings that brought everyone together such as anniversaries, birthdays, holidays, graduations, game nights, movie nights and family & church special trips. Margaret was a great bowler love to ski, roller skate, horse shoes and playing jacks was more of her favorites. Margaret was well known for her story telling and can make any story come to life. She leaves to cherish her memories her

children Gwendolyn Robinson, Wanda Tucker, Karen Tucker & Dennis Tucker; 1 sister Doris Blackmon 1 brother Jesse Blackmon 8 grandchildren, Shaunte Tucker, Rodgers Bolden, Jr., Xavier Bolden, Alicia Robinson, Douglas Tucker, William Pittman, Desiree Pittman & Micah Robinson; 5 great-grand-children Jamel Geppi , Jayden Bolden, Eli Bolden, Kauren Gaines & Jordan Pittman; and one brother-in law Frederick Tucker.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her brothers Harold, Ebb, Jr., George Blackmon & James Blackmon; her sisters Patricia Harris, Catherine Dawson & Mamie Kelly; Mother & Father-in-law, Sister-in-law Annie Rose Washington; Brothers-in-law, James R. Tucker & Robert C. Tucker.

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

JUN **20**. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Zion Seventh Day Adventist Church  
64 Marlboro Street  
Hamden, CT 06514

## Service

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## Cemetery

JUN **21**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Hamden Plains Cemetery  
Hamden, CT

# Tribute Wall



“ *Margaret Tucker*

October 09, 2023 at 06:14 AM



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*I am just learning of her passing.*

*My thoughts and prayers go to Gwendolyn, Wanda, Karen, and*

*Dennis as they continue to celebrate their mother's amazing life and legacy.*



**Kimi Lewis** - November 07, 2019 at 09:21 PM



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**Kimi Lewis** - November 07, 2019 at 09:19 PM

LG

“ *To the family of Mrs. Tucker we will keep you all in our prayers.. We loved Mrs. Tucker brilliant woman with much knowledge and I thank you her family for sharing her with my family.  
Lisa G and son Joseph Stoudmire jr. who attended the daycare and the school.*

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**Lisa G** - July 18, 2019 at 09:49 PM

JD

“ *To the Tucker Family  
My heart was saddened to hear of your loss. But God just added another beautiful flower to his garden. All things come together for good for those who Love The Lord. I thank the family for the care and compassion when my son attended Harris And Tucker.  
God bless you all  
Love and Prayers  
The Diggs Family*

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**Joyce Diggs** - July 05, 2019 at 04:28 PM

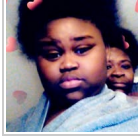
JD

“ *Joyce Diggs lit a candle in memory of Margaret Tucker*



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**Joyce Diggs** - July 05, 2019 at 04:23 PM



“ Sorry for your lost the Warren former Howard  
pray for God to to comfort each and everyone  
of you and my prayers are with you .



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**Shantell Warren** - June 21, 2019 at 11:50 PM



“ My sincerest condolences! May the Holy Spirit continue to comfort  
and the Lord continue to strengthen the family. 🥰🙏

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**Leonora Henderson** - June 20, 2019 at 11:42 PM



“ To the Tucker family,  
May you find comfort during this time of bereavement  
To know Mrs Tucker was a pleasure- always a smile  
Keep her smile alive  
she will be greatly missed  
you are forever in my prayers

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**towanna duncan** - June 20, 2019 at 07:08 AM



I can never forget that expression, " I ain't never hurt nobody!" with a  
mischievous grin on her face. She will certainly be missed. 🥰 Prayers  
🙏 for the family and friends. God bless.

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**Janevette** - June 21, 2019 at 08:34 AM

KF

“ To the family of Margaret Tucker: Aunt Mog was one of a kind. I grew up with her children and her nieces and nephews. My nieces went to Harris&Tucker Daycare and so did my son. My nephew went to the after school program....we are like family and we've been around each other's family for a very long time. I am so sorry for her loss and pray for the family God's blessing and strength at this time. Much love  
Kathye Ferreebee and family

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**Kathye Ferreebee** - June 19, 2019 at 05:31 PM

LT

“ Leota Tucker purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Margaret Tucker.



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**Leota Tucker** - June 19, 2019 at 01:08 PM

KS

“ Rest in peace dear aunt Margaret.

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**Karen Saltos** - June 18, 2019 at 10:18 AM

HP

“ Sending 🙏 For Tucker Family she will be missed helping the many elm city parents



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**Helen C Powell** - June 17, 2019 at 06:23 PM

LF

“ Family,

*We are thinking of you and praying for you. Aunt Margaret was a brilliant and talented entrepreneur whose contributions to the Greater New Haven Community is to be admired. She will be fondly remembered. May the HOLY SPIRIT give you peace and comfort during this difficult time.*



*Love,*

*Your Cousins, Linda and Charles Ludd and Family  
Los Angeles, California*

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**Linda and Charles Ludd and Family** - June 17, 2019 at 04:30 PM