



Charlotte Drain Cates

September 24, 1940 - September 24, 2012

Cates, Charlotte Drain, age 72, of Alabaster, AL, passed away Monday, September 24, 2012. Charlotte, one of God's obedient servants, passed away reading her Bible. She faithfully served the Lord and is resting in His arms. She was a member of Church of the Highlands-RC. She was a Captain of the greeter team. She was also a minister. She was preceded in death by her husband, Louie Cates; her parents Doris and Oliver Drain and her sister, Patricia Carr. She is survived by her son, JoPaul Cates; her step son, Louie (Debby) Cates; her daughter, Nettie Dudley of Alabaster; step daughter, Louise (Arnold) Jones; her grandchildren, Eric Dudley and Cameron Cates; her brothers, Ronald and George Drain. Funeral services will be held at Bessemer Brown Service Funeral Home Thursday, September 27, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. with burial in Helena City Cemetery. Rev. Blake Lindsey will be officiating. Visitation will be held Wednesday, September 26, 2012 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Online condolences may be sent to bessemerbrownfh.com..

Tribute Wall



“ Charlotte Drain Gates

September 20, 2021 at 02:30 PM



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Cynthia Duke - September 17, 2021 at 11:26 AM

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Cynthia Duke - September 25, 2012 at 09:10 PM