



Mother Mary Miner, age 104, departed this life on January 29, 2015 in Canton, MI after a short illness.

Mother Miner was born in Sylvester, Georgia on December 10, 1910 to Clifford Gardner and Jesse King and was the 4th of 13 children. She married Cleveland Farris in 1928 and to this union, one son, Curtis Farris, was born. After Cleveland Farris' death in 1935, she was united in marriage to Elder David Miner in 1941. Together they founded the Faith Temple

COGIC in Youngstown and faithfully served there until his death in 1987.

She served as District Missionary for COGIC District No. 1 in Youngstown for 28 years under Superintendent Paul A. Loggins. She traveled extensively for approximately 50 years attending the International Convention and Women's Conventions.

Mother Miner worked for the WPA as a timekeeper from 1935-1943 during the Great Depression.

In 1998, Mother Miner moved to Canton, MI to live with her grandson Anthony Farris and his wife Patricia. There she joined the Mt. Olive Church of God in Christ in Ypsilanti, MI under the leadership of Pastor Willie Sheard. On December 10, 2010 Mother Miner celebrated her 100th Birthday surrounded by family and friends. She received special recognition from The White House and an article celebrating her milestone birthday appeared in the local newspaper, the Canton Patch.

She leaves to cherish her memory two sisters, Mildred Leverett of Cleveland, OH and Harrietta Farmer of Liberty Twp., OH; four grandsons: Anthony (Patricia) Farris of Canton, MI, Terry Farris, Brian (Angela) Farris, and Kevin (Veronica) Farris all of Columbus, OH ; 12 great-grandchildren, 11 great-great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews other relatives and friends.

Besides her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her son, Curtis Farris; step-daughters Deloris Jean Paige and Gail Miner; seven brothers, Tommy, Jimmy, Gaines, James Benjamin, Arthur, Fred, and Clyde King, and three sisters Jessie Lee Moreland, Dallas Womack, and Margaret Brown.

Friends may call Saturday from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. at the Phillips Chapel Church of God In Christ, 3903 Jacobs Rd., Hubbard, Ohio. Funeral services will follow immediately at 10:00 a.m. Arrangements entrusted to the L. E. Black, Phillips & Holden Funeral Home.