

Alfreda Hayes Dees (Nutritionist & GiGi)

Alfreda Hayes-Dees is a faithful Christian, devoted mother of five, and proud grandmother of ten. She has called Mobile, Alabama, home since 1951.

After attending **Central High School**, Alfreda began her professional journey as a **Class A welder** at the Alabama Drydock and Shipbuilding Company, later continuing her work at **Ingalls Shipyard**. After years in the workforce, she dedicated 32 years to being a full-time homemaker.

Beyond her own family, Alfreda has been a mother to countless children in her neighborhood and across the city of Mobile. As a dedicated **missionary** and foster parent through the **Department of Human Resources Foster Care Program**, she has built a lasting legacy of nurturing, guiding, and protecting children in need.

Today, Alfreda Hayes-Dees is one of the most influential and beloved caregivers at **Granny's Corner Child Care Center**. Affectionately known as "**Mother Freda**", she prepares nutritious meals for the children through a dedicated food service contract established in 2024. Her unwavering support and commitment were foundational to the creation of Granny's Corner—an early childhood center inspired by her lifelong passion for child advocacy and community care.

But her impact reaches far beyond the kitchen. Alfreda's heart, faith, and wisdom have helped shape the very mission and soul of the center. Her life stands as a living testimony to the Gospel, and her presence continues to bless children and families throughout **Mobile County and the Semmes region**.

Alfreda is also the "Mother" and member of Kingdom Life Center Church. Her love and dedication to God's work is exemplary to others. "*Jesus is my source,*" is her repeated quote throughout the years.

We are proud to call **Alfreda Hayes-Dees our GiGi for life**—the heartbeat of Granny's Corner Child Care Center. As her daughter, **Alandia Alfreda Terry**, beautifully says:

"There is no greater pleasure than accomplishing your dreams with the person who created you."