



FLORA PAYNE

Payne's Barbecue was founded in 1972 by owners Emily Payne, her son Horton and his wife Flora. The first establishment was located in the Glenview Community in Memphis, TN. It was a small building that offered counter pickup service only. In 1976, Payne's Bar-B-Q relocated to a much bigger building in the Rozelle/Annesdale Community. The staff consisted of several employees. Some were employed for over 20 years. After the passing of Emily and Horton Payne, Flora now carries on the family's traditions with their children, Candice Payne-Parker and Ronald Payne. Supported by their staff, the Payne's continue to produce their special award-winning barbecue. Payne has been featured in several magazines and books and has appeared on various television shows, including Bon Appetit, Southern Living, Food and Wine, Memphis Magazine, Smithsonian, Forbes; Best Food Ever, This is Us, Best Food I Ever Ate, and Bazaar Food and more. Most recently, Payne was chosen to be a part of Kingsford's "Preserve the Pit" project. The art has been memorialized as a mural on the east side of the building. Additionally, the Payne's continue to make annual contributions to several local organizations, churches, and schools.

