I am home in Heaven dear ones;

Oh, so happy and bright!

There is perfect joy and beauty

In this everlasting light.

All pain and grief is over, Every restless tossing passed;

lam now at forever.

Safely home in Heaven at last.

There is work still waiting for you,

So you must not idly stand,

Do it now, while life remaineth -

You shall rest in Jesus' land.

When that work is all completed,

He will gently call you Home;

Oh, the rapture of that meeting, Oh the joy to see you come!



## Acknowledgement

The family of our beloved Mrs. Mildred Gardin Seigle Diew wishes to express deep and heartfelt appreciation for your loving thoughtfulness and concern, including cards, flowers, phone calls, texts, visits, and your prayers during this difficult time. May God bless each and everyone of you.



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# Home Going Celebration

Mrs. Mildred Inell Gardin Seigle Diew

March 18, 1927 — January 17, 2021



### Friendship Christian Church

Gastonia, North Carolina Saturday, January 30, 2021 11:00 A. M.

Bishop John A. McCullough, Jr., Pastor Officiating

# Order of Service

#### PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL
VISITATION WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS
CALL TO WORSHIP Bishop John McCullough, Jr.
HYMN "This Little Light of Mine, Let It Shine"
SCRIPTURES READING:
OLD TESTAMENT
NEW TESTAMENT John14:1-12 Damon Kareem McGill
PRAYER OF COMFORT
EXPRESSIONS/REMARKS (2 minutes, please)
RESOLUTION
HYMN "What Are They Doing In Heaven"
WORDS OF COMFORT
CLOSING HYMN
RECESSIONAL

—INTERMENT/PRIVATE—

## Her Life Journey

On late Sunday evening, January 17, 2021, Mildred Inell Gardin Seigle Diew 93, of Somersby Circle, Gastonia, NC, transitioned from this earthly home to her Heavenly Home while a patient at CaroMont Regional Medical Center, Gastonia, NC. She was the third child and daughter in a total of ten children of Hiram Luther Gardin and Beatrice Merrintha Duff Gardin. Mildred lived her entire life loving the *LORD* as her Personal Savior and as a born-again Christian under the godly help of her parents and family. She would always say, "God has been good to me."

Mildred attended and graduated from the Gaston County School System. During her early years, she became a self-taught accomplished seamstress for her family others and herself. She was also an avid Crossword puzzler. She was trained to become the first Dietitian Manager for Hoffman Road Elementary School Cafeteria where she served for many years. Later, she moved into the manufacturing field as an assembly line operator at Homelite, Inc. of Gastonia, NC until her retirement. Her senior years moved her into designing and making jewelry, playing her piano, singing Gospel songs, visiting the nursing homes and Crossword/Seek and Find Puzzling.

Mildred's first marriage was to the late Samuel "Sam" Seigle (nickname, June) during her young adult life and later became a young widow. From their union she bore five children; Mary Helen, Samuel Eugene, Daisy Merrintha, Deborah Delores and Joray Seigle, which propelled her to become a devoted wife, homemaker, and mother. As a young widow, she was pursued by our step-father, Howard Walter Diew and after a time of courtship, they married and shared 40 plus years together until his death.

Church has always been an important part of her life. In early years, she was a member of Mount Hebron Baptist Church. Later, she moved her membership to Friendship Baptist Church (Friendship Christian Church) and served on the missionary and choir/hymn choir. Her final church home became Gods Way Ministry Non-Denominational Church as the oldest member and "Mother of the Church (Mother Diew)."

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her first husband, Samuel "Sam" Seigle; sons; Samuel Eugene Seigle, Joray Seigle; her second husband, Howard Walter Diew; sisters; Martha Lucille Gardin Watkins, Margaret Ruth Gardin Burris, Auna Mae Gardin Minter; brother: James Robert Gardin (J. R.).

She leaves to cherish precious memories her daughters: Mary Helen Seigle Werts of Gastonia, NC, Rev. Dr. Daisy Merrintha Seigle Henry (Hugh), of Kings Mountain, NC, and Deborah Delores Seigle Blair (Billy) of Gastonia, NC; from blended family daughters: Sonja Diew Jackson (Lanier) and Nateena Diew Bradford of Gastonia, NC; three granddaughter: Tonya Inell Givens Kaoles (Eric) of Edmond, OK; Myra Sametra McGill of Atlanta, GA, and Amanda Loren Givens DesJardins (Nicholas) of Franklin, NC; six grandsons: James E. McGill, Jr. of Gaffney, SC, Sean Lamar Seigle of Orlando, FL, Damon Kareem McGill (Kimberly) of Lexington Park, MD, David Andrew McGill, Esq. of Palm Springs, CA, Michael Christopher Givens (Lauren) of Fort Mills, SC, and Jay Seigle of Gastonia, NC; daughter-in-law: Karen Grier-Seigle and Lisa Stinson-Seigle; from blended family; grandsons: Lanier D. Jackson, Sr. (Derema), Torben A. Fewell, Sr., Darrin Whitesides of Gastonia, NC; special nephew: Tony Diew of Dallas, NC; one sister: Evelyn Gardin Massey of New Jersey; brothers: Bishop Osco Gardin (Geneva), Elder Charles Gardin (Helen) and Hiram Lamarr Gardin of Gastonia, NC; special cousin: Mable Gardin Rainey; and a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.