

Order of Service

Calvin McBridge, Chairman

Prelude

Processional

Family and Clergy

Congregational Song

"I Am Thine, O Lord"

Prayer

Elder Vincent Gordon

Old Testament Reading

Psalms 23

The Robinson Sisters, Friends of the Family

Tribute

Elizabeth Woodburn, Daughter-in-Law
Mica, Lauren and Kyra Woodburn, Granddaughters

A Favorite Song

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
Annette Gordon, Niece

Remembrances

Ferne Morris, Sister
Raye Campbell, Sister
Erlene Campbell, Sister

An Original Poem

Antony Woodburn, Nephew and Son of the Heart

Song

"The Holy City"
Paul Woodburn, Son

New Testament Reading

1 Corinthians 15:56-58

Mica Woodburn and Lauren Woodburn, Granddaughters

Eulogy

Paula and Suzette Woodburn, Daughters

Message

Elder Leon Robinson

Acknowledgement

Paul Woodburn, Son

Pallbearers

Antony Woodburn (Nephew)
Washington Woodburn, Jr. (Nephew)
Phillip McFarlane (Nephew)
Kevin Johnson (Nephew)
Leon Campbell (Nephew)
Declan Deroux (Sunday School past student)

Acknowledgement

We thank God for you and your outpouring of love and support during this difficult period in our lives. We are grateful for your encouragement and help as we give thanks for the extraordinary life of our beloved Aunty Gly. We sincerely appreciate the many texts, phone calls, cards, posts, food and expressions of love. May the Lord richly bless you. We extend a special thanks to Daryl Sibble for helping us stream the service today.

The family of Glynis V. Woodburn ("Aunty Gly")

Interment

Lauderdale Memorial Park

2001 SW 4th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33315

Chairman

Calvin McBridge

Graveside Officiant

Devon Deroux

Congregational Song

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"



Funeral Arrangement's Entrusted To:

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THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION
FOR THE LIFE AND PERSONHOOD OF



Glynis V. Woodburn

March 28, 1944 - November 28, 2020

Saturday, December 12, 2020
11:30 AM

McWhite's Funeral Home Chapel
3501 West Broward Boulevard
Lauderhill, FL 33312

A MCWHITE'S FUNERAL HOME SERVICE

Eulogy

Glynis Vioris Woodburn was born on March 28, 1944 in Kingston, Jamaica. Her father was Ewan Sydney Johnson, and her mother was Viris Rose Johnson (née Harriot). She was the fourth child for each of her parents and the second child of their union. At four years old she and her brother, Locksley, attended a tent meeting of Olivet Gospel Hall. This was her first exposure to the church. The meeting pulled up stakes, and the children could not find the meeting for eight years. When she was twelve, she ran home to tell her mother that she had found the "Gospel Hall" church. She began attending Sunday School on a weekly basis. That year, she gave her heart to the Lord. She loved the Lord. She loved going to church. At sixteen she was baptized, making a public declaration of her faith. She attended church every chance she got—despite the objection of her father. She was at night service one night, sitting in the back, when she heard a loud, melodious voice. In typical Glynis fashion she said, "A oufa mout so big?" She moved to the front to stand behind a young man recently up from the country. He sang with such gusto, it moved him to his tip toes. She stayed and listened, and two years later they were married. Eaton and Glynis would have been married for 52 years this past Monday, December 7th. They did most everything together. They attended Child Evangelism classes together, they taught Sunday School together, they had three children together, they emigrated to the United States together, they struggled together, they worked together, they laughed together. They spent her last Thanksgiving together as he fed her in the hospital. He was by her side when she went home... alone.

She attended Rousseau Primary School, where she excelled academically and played with wild abandon. When she graduated from Rousseau, she attended St. Martin's High School where she found her calling as a teacher for when she graduated from St. Martin's, she returned there to teach. In time, St. Martin's closed, and she did a short teaching stint at Rose Glen School. While at Rose Glen she enrolled at Mico Teacher's College, where she received a Distinction and Credit in English on her Cambridge exams, the highest achievement a student could receive for a subject.

Her command of the English language, as you know, was impeccable. But she only used it when absolutely necessary, preferring the ease and humor of our native dialect. While at Mico, she changed jobs and went to teach at Mavisville Preparatory School. She taught hundreds of children over the thirteen years she worked there. Her impact on the lives of the children she taught there was powerful and far-reaching. She left Mavisville to emigrate with her family to Lauderhill, Florida. She found temporary employment at a 7/11 even as she took a second job as a teacher's aide at Castle Hill Elementary. Shortly thereafter, she was employed at Motorola as a radio technician, and was eventually promoted to trainer before she had to retire because of illness.

This litany of employment is peripheral to the vast amount of work she did in the church and on her own. She taught Sunday School, VBS, and the Good News classes, Every Girl for Christ and Every Kid for Christ. She tutored adults and children alike. She was at Olivet Gospel Hall every time the doors opened, she helped to plant Portmore Gospel Chapel, and she worked tirelessly at Bethel Gospel Chapel. She established VBS, she was the head of the Sisters' meeting, and she created and directed Christmas programs. She ran the course; she kept the faith.

She leaves to grieve her passing her devoted husband, Eaton; her son, Paul, and his wife, Elizabeth; her daughters, Paula and Suzette; her niece, Annette Gordon, and her nephew, Antony ("Tony") Woodburn, who were raised by their Aunty Gly; her unofficially adopted daughter, Eva Doumbouya; her granddaughters Mica, Lauren, and Kyra Woodburn; her supportive and amazing siblings, Locksley Johnson of Kingston, Jamaica, Erlene Campbell of Lauderhill, FL, Franklyn Johnson of Coconut Creek, FL, Raye Campbell of Los Angeles, CA and Ferne Morris of Tallahassee, FL. She was predeceased by three older siblings. She leaves dozens of nieces and nephews (all of whom she loved and prayed for regularly). She also leaves grandnieces and grandnephews, friends and a wonderful and incredible church family, at Bethel Gospel Chapel, that she loved intensely. She is home where she no doubt hears the words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant! Enter into the joy of your Lord." Matthew 25:21. And though we do not grieve as those who have no hope, we will miss her terribly.

