

*God Saw You
Was Getting Tired*

God saw you getting tired,
When a cure was not to be.
So He wrapped his arms around you,
and whispered, "Come to me."
You didn't deserve what you went through,
So He gave you rest.
God's garden must be beautiful,
He only takes the best.
And when I saw you sleeping,
So peaceful and free from pain
I could not wish you back
To suffer that again.



PALLBEARERS
Family & Friends

FLOWER BEARERS
Family & Friends

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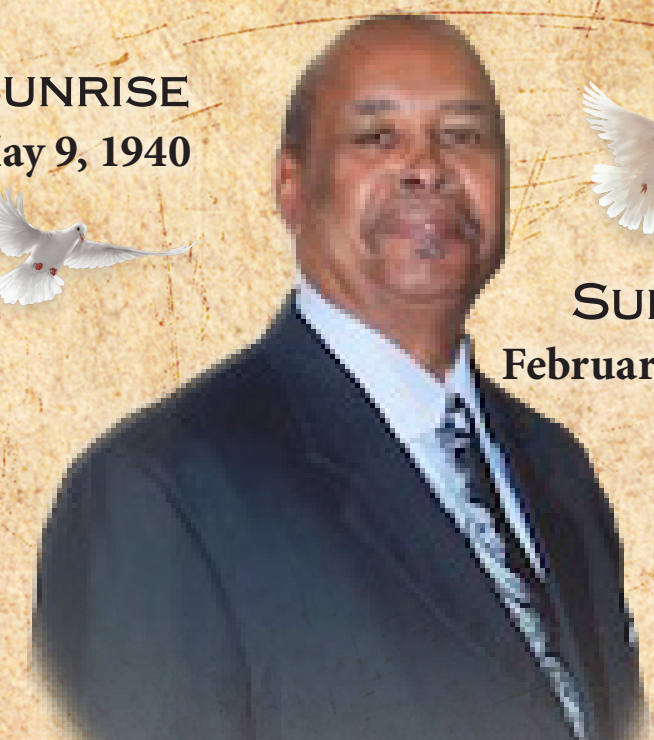
The family of the late Pastor McKinley Miles would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions. Your phone calls, visits, flowers, thoughts and prayers have all helped greatly during the sickness and passing of our loved one. The names of all that touched his life are too numerous to name, however there are a few that he held near and dear to his heart. Pastor Miles wants to remind CJ Ramsey to always remember his scriptures. Jacob Hardin, you will always be his favorite basketball player. Bertha Davis, you always listened to his unlimited and never-ending sermons. To the leadership team at Mt. Calvary for allowing him to fulfill his God given call in life. To Agape Hospice Care of Rock Hill, SC for the excellent service that you rendered to an often times uncooperative patient.

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A SERVICE OF LOVE CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

SUNRISE
May 9, 1940



SUNSET
February 21, 2023

PASTOR
McKinley Miles

II Timothy 4:7-8
"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing."

Saturday, February 25, 2023
12:00 O' clock in the Afternoon

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
299 South Linda Street
Cowpens, South Carolina 29330

Minister Jaqueline Harris, Associate Pastor

REFLECTIONS OF THE LIFE OF PASTOR MCKINLEY MILES

"We do not weep as those with no hope, but as those who stand on God's promises to grant us wisdom, understanding, and strength to bear our sorrow."

"Those who live in the Lord never see each other for the last time."

There are things in life we cannot understand, but we must trust in God and be guided by His hand. All who have God's blessings can rest safely in His care for He promises "Safe passages on the wings of faith and prayer..."

Reflections of the Life of Pastor McKinley Miles

Our Heavenly Father, in His infinite wisdom, sent His Holy Angel to bring His child home to Him from his labor to reward. On Tuesday morning, February 21, 2023, the soul of Pastor McKinley Miles ascended back to Heaven from his earthly residence in Catawba, South Carolina. Pastor Miles was born on May 9, 1940, in Buckingham County, Farmville, Virginia, to the late James Daniel and Mary Alice Miles.

Pastor Miles wedded Ruth, the love of his life, in 1960 and they remained together for sixty years before her passing in January of 2021. Together, they raised their daughter, Alfredia G. Thompson.

Pastor Miles was reared in a Christian home and was educated in the public school system in the state of Virginia. He accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior at an early age and began his public ministry on February 21, 1992. He received his Pastoral Ordination on December 29, 1992, and became the pastor of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Cowpens, South Carolina, in March of 1998. At Mt. Calvary, Pastor Miles not only preached the Word of God on Sundays, but he was faithful in Sunday School and mid-week bible study, serving as a member of the Helpmates Ministry, and Children are a Blessing. Pastor Miles was known for giving \$5 to each member for their birthdays with instructions to buy themselves some ice cream. For a number of years, he taught the Word of God at Mt. Sinai Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor James Splawn. Outside of the church, Pastor Miles served in prison ministry by delivering the Good News to those that were incarcerated in Cross Anchor Correctional Institution and Livesay Correctional Center in Spartanburg, South Carolina. Until the day that Pastor Miles took his last breath here on Earth, he understood that his lot in life was to preach the uncompromised Word of God.

Pastor Miles was preceded in death by his brother, Wilson L. Miles.

On Tuesday, February 21, 2023, Pastor McKinley Miles transitioned from mortality to immortality. He leaves behind to celebrate his life and to continue his legacy: his daughter, Alfredia (Robert, Jr.) Thompson of Catawba, SC; six grandchildren, Timothy (Lori) McCrorey of Plainville, CT, Vicki (Tony) McClurkin, Falacia (Marcus) Burris, and Robert (Lisa) Thompson, all of Rock Hill, SC, Frederick, Sr. (Nikeenah), Thompson of Heath Springs, SC, and Johron Brown of Chester, SC; three sisters, Mattie Miles Walker of Patterson, NJ, and Ethel Mae Miles Ford and Odessa Miles Holman, both of Farmville, VA; one brother, Joseph (Dolores) Miles of Haldon, NJ; one sister-in-law, Peggy Jean Gregory of Chester, SC; godchildren, Donna Walker, Jadra Grant, Jeanette Evans, and Christopher Hughes; seventeen great-grandchildren; twenty-three great-great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

GRANDMA & GRANDPA GONE TO HEAVEN



*One quiet day the Angels came
And took grandma and grandpa far away.
But in the stillness of the night
We could almost hear them say,*

"Dear grandchildren, we will miss you. You meant so much to us.

*But Jesus called us to his side in Heaven.
A place of God's great beauty. No tears or earthly cares, only
peace and joy forever.
So, remember all the good times. Don't think about the sad
times. Treasure all the special moments throughout the years
we shared together.*

*And if you trust in Jesus, we can promise this and more.
You will get a hug from grandma and grandpa, someday on
Heaven's Golden Shore."*

ORDER OF SERVICE

Pastor Tony Makupson, Officiating

- Musical Prelude
- Processional Clergy and Family
- Invocation
- Selection of Praise Community Ensemble
- The Holy Scriptures:
 - Old Testament..... Minister Jaqueline Harris
 - New Testament..... Mrs. Jeanette Evans
- Prayer of Comfort Pastor Timothy Cousar
Mt. Hopewell Baptist Church
Richburg, South Carolina
- Reflections *Two Minutes, Please*
 - Family Maranda Holman-Ayers
 - Chairman of Deacons..... Brother Donald Dawkins
 - Sunday School..... Brother Timothy Jackson
 - Helpmates President..... Sister Pricilla Smith
Thickety Mountain Baptist Association
Dr. Courtney Mills
Pastor of Mike's Creek Baptist Church
President of the Union of Churches
- Acknowledgements Mrs. Boncile McCullum
- Selection of Praise Community Ensemble
- Words of Comfort Pastor Charlie Booker
New Shiloh Baptist Church
Charlotte, North Carolina
- Mortician-in-Charge..... Stewart Funeral Home
- Recessional Selection Community Ensemble

*~SERVICES OF COMMENDATION~
Committal Rites, Closing Prayer, and Benediction*

*~INTERMENT~
Mt. Calvary Baptist Church*

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