

Order of Service

REVEREND DR. CHARCEY PRIESTER, OFFICIATING

Prelude

Processional.....Clergy, Family and Friends

Hymn of Praise.....“Pass Me Not Oh Gentle Savior”

Scripture

Old Testament.....Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

New TestamentI Corinthians 15:50-58

Prayer

Solo.....Minister Rosemary Griffin

Remarks..... Todd Guinyard, Supervisor
Jackey Baxter-Bowman, Friend
Emily Brown, Friend & Companion
*Any Additional Comments

Solo.....Minister Rosemary Griffin

Words of Comfort.....Reverend Charcey Priester

Recessional



Reflections of Life

Mrs. Gwendolyn Elizabeth Johnson-Kennerly was born on March 16, 1951, the eldest of three children born to Dorothy Louise Johnson of Orangeburg, South Carolina.

Gwenn was educated in the public school system in Orangeburg, South Carolina.

She was employed as a homemaker for many years before becoming a dietary assistant at Laurel Bay Edisto Convalescent Home. She worked as a dietary assistant for thirty years, until her health began to fail.

Gwenn made the ultimate sacrifice of taking care of her mother, whom she loved dearly. Gwenn was a quiet person until her close friends came around. Then, she would become very lively and cheerful. Gwenn never drank or smoked. She enjoyed herself NATURALLY. She loved her family and friends from her soul. She was protective of her two younger brothers, Larry and Bernard, and would protect them by any means necessary.

As an adult, she met and married Julius Kennerly. On December 12, 2019, Gwenn bravely departed this life at Prisma Health Baptist Hospital in Columbia, South Carolina after a long-fought illness. She fought a good fight and finished her course.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Dorothy McCord; brother, Bernard; special cousin, Bobby Davis; and nephew, Larry Johnson, Jr.

Gwenn leaves to cherish her memories, legacy and love of family her only child, her son Labron Kennerly; brother, Larry (Cheryl) Johnson; nieces, Shawana Thomas and Fatima Johnson; nephew, Elijah Johnson; special friends, Emily Brown, Sandra Garvin and Judy Clark; and a host of other relatives, acquaintances and friends.

Interment

Heavenly Rest Memorial Park
Prayer, Committal & Benediction

Pall Bearers

Family & Friends

Flower Bearers

Family & Friends



I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took his hand when I heard his call,
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My Life's been full, I savoured much,

Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch,
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free.

Acknowledgements

The family of the late Gwendolyn Elizabeth Johnson-Kennerly would like to express our sincere appreciation for your prayers, concerns, acts of love and any other expressions of kindness shown to us during our time of bereavement. May God Bless each of you in a special way.

~The Kennerly Family

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A Celebration of Life for

Mrs. Gwendolyn Kennerly

ALPHA: MARCH 16, 1951 OMEGA: DECEMBER 12, 2019



"Live Well, Laugh More and Love Often"

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2019 AT 2:00 P.M.

Simmons Funeral Home Chapel

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