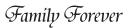




Together Again







We're Walking and Standing in all of God's Glory!





Mothers & Daughters



Oldest Member Mother Burch Youngest Member Baby Wynton Bell



Mothers, Daughter Granddaughter

### Honorary Casket Bearers

Jermaine Johnson Mitchell Burch Chris Letsinger Wilton Johnson William H. King Ronnie Burch **Eddie Hamilton** Stuart Wallace Rev. Bryan Mungo Gary Nicholson Edward Johnson King

> Active Casket Bearers Nephews & Oro Church Men

### Honorary Floral Bearers

Latricia Letsinger Sandy Wade Jackie Johnson Vickie Rivers Dorchelle Johnson

Rachel Sellers Keshia Johnson Gloria Myers Delphine Newman Karen McMillan

> Active Floral Bearers Nieces & Oro Church Women



For Our Grandma

- **G** Is for the GREAT stories you told us about your many journeys through life.
- **R** Is for the the REALNESS you portrayed.
- A- Is for the AWESOME ADVICE that you shared whether we wanted to hear it or not.
- N-Is for the NURTURING SOUL you carried that everyone loved.
- D-Is for the many DINNERS that kept us full when we were growing up. It was honor to cook in your kitchen and have you watching our every move.
- M-Is for the MEMORIES we share that will live on forever and ever.
- A- Is for ALWAYS praying for us that God would keep us safe and sound. Now you are with the ancestors and you can watch over us until we meet again.

It was hard to write these words because it still feels like a dream. The tears are still flowing and our hearts are broken all over again. But we know that you are now healed, singing your songs, tending to God's heavenly garden, and walking in love with Bootsie again. We love you Grandma and we miss you so much already.

Your granddaughters, Jenee' and Jelissa

# \*\*A Service Designed With Your Consideration In Mind" King Funeral Home



# Celebration of Life For



# Mrs. Johnnie Floyd Sowell Burch

Thursday, September 17, 2020 Service 12:00 PM Oro Church Pageland, South Carolina **Reverend Robert Capers, Officiating** 

### Order Of Service

The Gathering

The Words of Grace

The Processional......Final Viewing

Prayer ......Rev. Don Robinson

Scripture.....Rev. Don Robinson

Old Testament: Proverbs 31:10-31 New Testament: John 14:1-6

Reflections .....(Please Limit Reflections to two Minutes)
Mrs. Gail Shine
Mr. Jermaine Johnson
Rev. Mary and Harold Burnell

Expressions of Gratitude...... Mrs. Joyce D. King

Obituary (Please Read Silently)

Solo......Ms. Joan Bell

Words of Comfort......Rev. Robert Capers

Selection.......Close to Thee".....Oro Church Family

Recessional

**Committal Ceremony** 

Interment ......Oro Church Cemetery Pageland, SC

Benediction

Resolution- Order of the Eastern Star Ruby Chapter #317

### In Appreciation

We, the Family, are grateful for the many kind acts of sympathy shown us during our time of sorrow. Thank you for your calls, visitation, gifts, and prayers. Many thanks to all of you and may God bless each of you abundantly.

The Burch Family

## Reflections of Life

'Everything comes from God alone. Everything lives by his power, and everything is for his glory."

—Romans 11:36—

Mrs. Johnnie Floyd Sowell Burch, the oldest of 7 children to the late Nathaniel and Myrtle Horne Sowell, began life's journey on January 10, 1934 in the Angeles Community, in Chesterfield County, South Carolina. She began her Christian walk at an early age at Mt. Elon United Methodist Church in Angeles, South Carolina.

**Ms. Johnnie** received her secondary education in the Chesterfield County Public Schools. She continued her education from the District of Columbia Public Schools in Washington, DC.

In 1953, **Ms. Johnnie** chose the love of her life, the late Leroy Burch. God graciously blessed this union with 2 daughters, Patricia, and Pamela. She later joined Oro Church and served in the following capacity: as President of the Women, as a trustee, PPRC Chairman, member of senior choir, administrative secretary, announcement clerk, Sunday school teacher, member of the Wisdom Group and member of Oro United Singers. She was also a member of the Order of Eastern Star Ruby Chapter #317. She loved watching game shows, soap operas, and sports. She loved cheering for her favorite teams, the Duke Blue Devils and Dallas Cowboys.

**Ms. Burch** retired from the Chesterfield County School District after serving for 40 years. Over the course of these years, she served in many roles. She served in the cafeteria, as school nurse's aide, library assistant, teacher's aide, and finally as the

school secretary, a role she loved and cherished as she connected with all students and the community.

**Aunt John** was a loving and devoted wife, nurturing and caring mother, and compassionate grandmother. She loved her church and only wanted the best for it. She loved keeping her yard immaculate, by making sure her husband kept it that way, and collected indoor plants.

**Ms. Johnnie** peacefully entered eternal rest on September 10, 2020 at Novant Health Medical Center in Matthews, NC. In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by four brothers: Thomas, Willie, Ed Pate, and Clarence Sowell, Jr., and one sister, Betty Sue Nicholson.

Ms. Johnnie Sowell Burch leaves to cherish precious memories 2 daughters; Patricia B. Conway of Jefferson, SC and Pamela D. Burch of the home; 2 granddaughters Jenee' and Jelissa Conway of Jefferson, SC; twin sisters Lervene Blakeney of Pageland, SC and Jervene (Johnny) McCoy of Charlotte, NC; sister Ruthie Mae Crawford of Kannapolis, NC; one brother Nathaniel Sowell, Jr. of Lawrenceville, Georgia; 2 sisters-in-law Etta Mae Burch, and Mae Ruth Burch, 2 nieces that she helped to raise, Lisa N. Williams of Lancaster, SC and Rev. Mary B. (Harold) Burnell of Pageland, SC; one godchild, Devine Faith Burch of Maxim, NC; one special cousin Alean King of Jefferson, SC; a life-long friend Verla Lowery; and a dear friend called "Sis" Barbara R. Jackson of Indian Trail, NC. She enjoyed a host of special nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and dear friends.



### "Thank You, Mother"

Thank you, Mother, for all that you have done. You took great care of your daughters and everyone.

You loved us all from the very start with your warm, kind, and loving heart.
Thank you, Mother, for being strong,
While trying to teach us right from wrong.
If anytime we had a problem,
you were there to help us solve them.
You'd lift us up when we were feeling blue.
Thank you, Mother, for we could always count on you.

You were such an awesome mother. The love you showed was like no other. Thank you, Mother for your dear, sweet love. Now you'll watch over us from heaven above. Your Loving Daughters, Pat and Pam