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HOMEGOING SERVICES
CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

Frances Sarah Rodgers Dawkins



Sunrise

JANUARY 17, 1923

Sunset

AUGUST 20, 2022

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 2022
ONE O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON

WOODSON CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH
1447 MEANSVILLE ROAD
UNION, SOUTH CAROLINA

REVEREND ROBERT E. COLLINS, PASTOR
REVEREND ROBERT J. WILLIAMS, JR., OFFICIATING

Order of Service

MUSICAL PRELUDE.....Timothy Farr

THE PROCESSIONAL.....Clergy, Bearers, Family, & Friends

OPENING HYMN

“Nearer, My God, to Thee”

HOLY SCRIPTURES

OLD TESTAMENT Reverend James E. Farr, Jr.

NEW TESTAMENT Dr. Christiana McKissick

PRAYER OF COMFORT Elder Jackie Garnett

SELECTION.....Tara Walker

REFLECTIONS & FAMILY TRIBUTE..... Rebecca Whitener

SELECTION.....Teresa Means

EULOGYReverend Robert J. Williams, Jr.

THE RECESSIONAL..... Clergy, Bearers, Family and Friends

Interment Following the Service

WOODSON CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH CEMETERY

Repast

WOODSON CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL

Life Profile

A beautiful life ended on August 20, 2022. Frances Sarah Rodgers Dawkins, 99, was the fifth child of eight born to Eddie and Viola Robinson Rodgers. Frances was born on January 17, 1923, in Rodgerstown, SC.

Frances attended The Rodgerstown School, where she completed eighth grade, as was common for the times, with the need for the children of farmers to remain poised for family duties.

She was baptized into her family church at an early age and remained a faithful member of Woodson Chapel Baptist Church until her health prevented her regular attendance. She was also awarded the distinction of “Mother of the Church,” a title she proudly bore.

She was employed with United Merchants Buffalo Plant and was well known for her Sweet Tea at Heart’s Drive Inn and her biscuits at Bantam Chef in her post retirement.

She was the widow of Phorzene Dawkins, Sr.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one daughter, Deborah Dawkins Blume; one son, Jerry Dewitt Dawkins; five brothers, George Rodgers, Robert Rodgers, Edward Rodgers, Tinnie Rodgers, and Timothy Rodgers; two sisters, Janie Ross and Viola Washington; one daughter-in-law, Lillian Dawkins; and one son-in-law, Roger Boyd.

She is survived by three sons, Phorzene Dawkins, Jr., Cornell Dawkins, and Melvin Dawkins (Lyndia); three daughters, Inell Boyd, Gloria Jean Dawkins, and Judy Dawkins; one son-inlaw, Howard Blume, Sr.; twelve grandchildren; eighteen greatgrandchildren; six great-great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, and cousins.

Floral Bearers

Queen of Sheba Order of Eastern Star #23

Lillie McKanic

Margaret Worthy

Hester Booker

Betty Jean Booker

Great-Granddaughters

Casket Bearers

William Boyd

James Gist

Douglas Lott

Jasper Jennings

David Jeter, Jr.

Melvin Lott

Henry Johnson

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The Family