

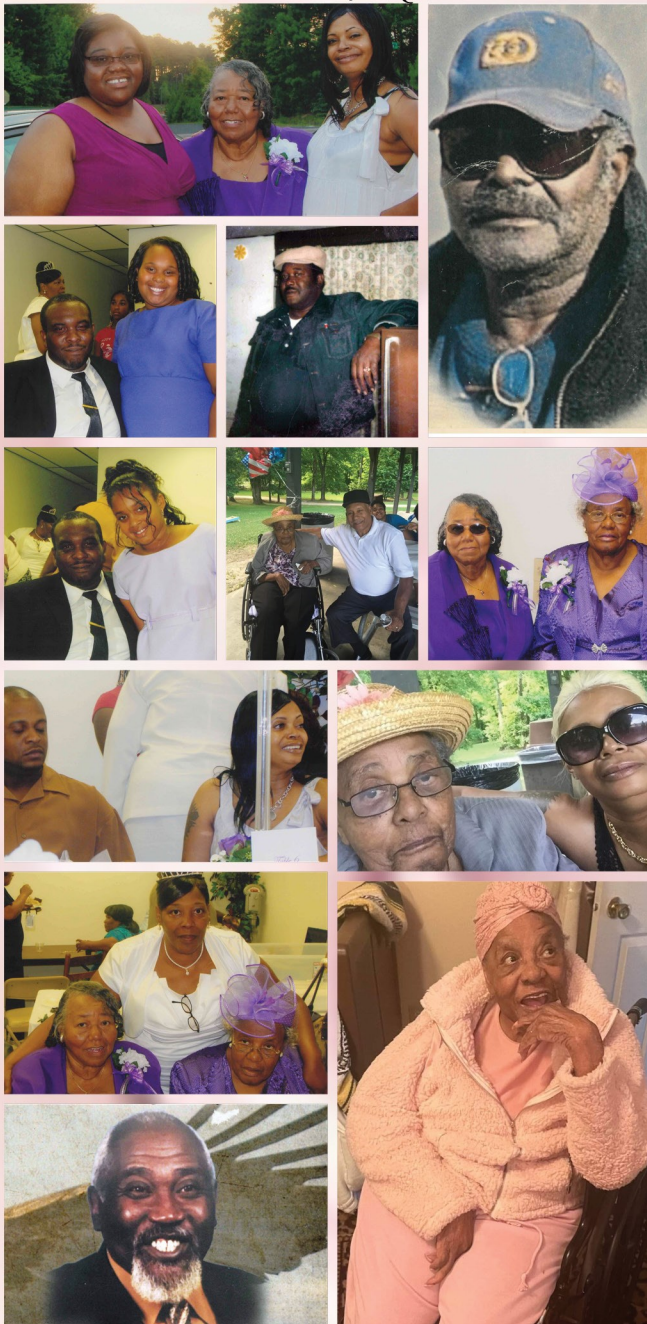


## *I'm Free*

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
 I'm following the path God has chosen for me.  
 I took his hand when I heard him call.  
 I turned my back and left it all.  
 I could not stay another day, to laugh,  
 to love to work or play.  
 Task left undone must stay that way;  
 I've now found peace at the end of the day if my  
 parting has left a void, then fill it  
 with memories and joy.  
 A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss.  
 Oh yes, these things I, too, will miss.  
 Be not burdened with times of sorrow.  
 Look for the sunshine of tomorrow.  
 My life's been full, I've savored much.  
 Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.  
 Perhaps my time seemed all too brief.  
 Don't lengthen your pain with undue grief, lift your  
 heart with peace to thee.  
 God wanted me now-  
 HE HAS SET ME FREE.



## *Precious Memories*



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IN LOVING MEMORY OF

# *Jahnne Mae Wamble Peoples*



**SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 2022**  
**2:00 PM**  
**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**202 SUMMITT DRIVE**  
**SANFORD, NORTH CAROLINA**  
**DR. SAM ROACH, PASTOR**

**NOVEMBER 12, 1929 ~ JUNE 12, 2022**



# Obituary

## Mrs. Johnnie Mae Womble Peoples,

92, was born November 12, 1929, to the late Ola Mae Jackson Womble here in Sanford, NC, and transitioned to her heavenly home on Sunday, June 12, 2022. She grew up in Sanford, NC, and later moved to High Point, NC. While growing up in Lee County, she had lots of family and friends whom she loved dearly.

While residing in High Point, NC, Johnnie worked various jobs. She was a homemaker and a wife and kept many children in the community while their parents worked. Johnnie loved her family and would do anything for them without reservation. Growing up on the farm was hard work. One of her famous quotes was, "Some things don't come easy in life; you have to work hard for them." Johnnie Mae moved back to her hometown to help care for her mother. While there, Johnnie attended Poplar Springs A.M.E. Church for several years. She made tasty treats while attending this great church to help her mother with fundraisers. Johnnie enjoyed helping her mother reach her goals for the fundraisers. She began working at Coty and later began working as a custodian for First Baptist Church in Sanford, NC. Then she moved her membership to First Baptist Church, under the leadership of Reverend Dale Parkerson. Johnnie worked for 20 years as a custodian and in the nursery, raising children. Johnnie held many positions at the church that she loved so dearly. The First Baptist Church family continued to send Johnnie cards for birthdays and holidays even

after she retired.

Johnnie Peoples was preceded in death by her mother and father, Ola Mae, and George Womble; son, John L Griffin; brothers, George Alvin and James Ivy Womble; one sister, Cecelia Womble Ingram; one grandson, Brain Southerland, and one great-grandson, Reginald Deveaux.

Johnnie leaves to cherish her loving memories with her husband, Walter Peoples of Philadelphia, PA; two daughters, Zandra Miller (Jamie) of Charlotte, NC, and Sharon McIver of High Point, NC. She assisted in raising her nieces, Ola F. Newby (Clyde) of Sanford, NC, and Jaki Ingram of Fayetteville, NC, and her nephew, James Jr. of Greensboro, NC. She leaves nine grandchildren, eighteen great-grandchildren, ten great-great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces and nephews, friends, and family who cared for her dearly.

## Acknowledgments

*"Your words have comforted us,  
your support has strength us,  
and your love has sustained us."*

The family of **Johnnie Mae Peoples** is eternally grateful to our friends and neighbors who have expressed their sympathy in so many kind ways. The shared memories from all of you at the visitation and funeral, along with the many phone calls, flowers, cards, gifts of food and service, and words of condolence meant a great deal to us all. Your thoughtfulness, kindness, and remembrance will forever remain close to our hearts. Our prayer for you is that the Lord will continue to bless you and keep you, be gracious to you, and give you peace.

# Order of Service

Reverend Ted Lane, Officiating  
Mission of Hope Independent Church, Goldston, NC

Musical Meditation.....	First Baptist Church
Family Processional .....	First Baptist Church Choir
	<i>"When We All Get to Heaven" Hymnal page 548</i>
Selection, <i>"I Won't Complain"</i> .....	Ms. Dorothy Matthews
Prayer .....	Minister Suzanne Colandro
	<i>First Baptist Church, Sanford, NC</i>
Scripture Readings	
Old Testament .....	Bishop R.T. Buie
	<i>Straight-Up Christian, Outreach Ministry of Maryland</i>
New Testament.....	Apostle Norma Bryant
	<i>Liberty Chapel Church, Moncure, NC</i>
Selection.....	<i>"Safe In His Arms"</i>
Obituary Reading.....	Silent Reading
Cards & Condolences.....	Family
Selection.....	<i>"Take Me to The King"</i>
Word of Comfort (Eulogy).....	Reverend Ted Lane
Selection.....	<i>"Revelation 19:1"</i>
Expression of Love (Please limit to two minutes)	Family & Friends
Prayer of Acceptance .....	Minister Suzanne Colandro
Closing Hymn .....	First Baptist Church Choir
	<i>"In the Sweet By and By" Hymnal page 551</i>
Recessional	

## Interment/Repast

Poplar Springs AME Church  
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