#### POEM

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.

## <u>Pallbearers</u>

Family and Friends

# Floral Bearers Family and Friends

## <u>Acknowledgements</u>

We, the family of the late

Mrs. Joyce D. Benjamin

would like to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation for the many acts of love, thoughts, calls, cards, visits and kindness shown to us during our time of Bereavement.

God continue to Bless each of you, now and forever.



~ Arrangements Entrusted To ~

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# Home Going Celebration in Memory of

# Mrs. Joyce D. Benjamin



Alpha: June 14, 1941

Omega: April 13, 2020

~ Service ~
Saturday, April 18, 2020
11:00 am
Mt. Olive Baptist Church
178 Woodolive Lane
Orangeburg, South Carolina 29115
Reverend Samuel Palmer, Pastor

# Order of Service

Reverend Samuel Palmer, Presiding

Prelude
Processional Clergy and Family Viewing
Hymn of Praise "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
Scripture
Old Testament: Reverend John W. Evans
New Testament: Minister Barbara Stevenson
Prayer Deacon Walter Curry
Solo
Reflection
Family: Jo Ann Z. Butler
Selection Mt. Olive Baptist Church Choir
Words of Comfort Reverend Samuel Palmer
Recessional

~ Benediction ~ Committal ~ Interment ~ Mt. Olive Baptist Church Cemetery



### Joyce's Life... Joyce's Love!



### ~ Celebration of Life ~

Mrs. Joyce Delores Benjamin, 78, earned her heavenly wings on Monday, April 13, 2020 in Orangeburg, SC. She was born on June 14, 1941 in Orangeburg to the late Doreatha Dixon and George Jenkins.

Joyce graduated from George Washington Carver High School in 1959. She later moved to New York where she got married and had her two children, Cecelia and Timothy Assam. After divorcing her husband, she later married Henry Benjamin on November 26, 1977. In addition to Cecelia and Timothy, they raised Tawana, Chantel, a niece, Melissa Fine, Leatrice and Richard Vega and many others for a grand total of nearly 20 foster children.

Joyce worked as a data entry operator for several years and was particularly known for her love of children.

Joyce was preceded in death by her parents and Melissa who went on to glory ten years ago.

Joyce is survived by her husband of 42 years, Henry Benjamin; children: Cecelia (Terry Graham), Timothy, Leatrice (Charles Sims), Richard, Tawana and Chantel; two sisters: Margaret Zimmerman and Carrie Lee Fine; a special niece: Jo Ann Z. Butler; a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, other nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.