## My Darling Wife,

God knew you'd reached your limits
And had truly done your best
To live by his Commandment
And now was time for you to rest

Though tired from your endeavors

Still you tries to carry on

Giving so much of yourself

He knew that if he let you
You'd keep going till you drop
But good soul that you truly are
It was time for you to stop.

He put his arms around you
And in a gentle tone
Said: "Though the earth be poorer for it
Child! It's time I took you home."

-Your loving husband, Daniel

## The Broken Chain

We knew little that day,
The God was going to call your name.
In life we loved you dearly,
In death, we do the same.

It broke our hearts to lose you.
You did not go alone.
For part of us went with you,
The day God called you home.

You left us beautiful memories, Your love is still our guide. And although we cannot see you, You are always at our side.

Out family chain is broken,
And nothing seems the same,
But as God calls us one by one,
The chain will link again.
-Your Devoted Mother, Children,
Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren

### When I Am Gone

When I am gone, release me - let me go I have so many things to see and do. You must not tie yourself to me with tears Be happy that we had so many years. I gave you love, you can only guess, how much you gave me in happiness. I thank you for the love each have shown, but now it is time I travelled alone. So grieve awhile for me if grieve you must, then let your grief be comforted by trust It is only for a while that we must part so bless those memories within your heart. I will not be far away, for life goes on. so if you need me, call and I will come. Though you cannot see or touch me, I will be near And if you listen with your heart, you will hear All of my love around you, soft and clear. Then when you must come this way alone, I will greet you with a smile and "Welcome Home" -Annie Bell Starkes-Bowman

#### Repast

The Repast will follow immediately after the services at the home of LaKesha Starkes.

#### Acknowledgements

The family of the Late Annie Bell Starkes-Bowman would like to express our warm gratitude and appreciation of acts of kindness during our time of bereavement. Your thoughts, prayers, and words of encouragements will be a source of comfort and strength in the days and months to come.

We pray a special blessing upon each of you.



~ Arrangements Entrusted to ~

#### Glovers Funeral Home

Olivia Glover, Directress
April Dickson, Licensed Mortician
"Committed To Excellence In Quality Care & Service"
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Designed by: Melvin D. Felder, Jr. - 803.290.3728

Celebrating the Life of



Annie Bell Starkes-Bowman

July 10, 1951 - July 23, 2020

Graveside Services Monday, August 3, 2020 11:00 a.m.

Pineville United Methodist Church Cemetery Big Buck Boulevard Bowman, SC 29018

Reverend Lisa Hawkins, Pastor Reverend Keshia Shuler-Johnson, Eulogist

# Order of Service

Reverend Keshia Shuler-Johnson, Officiant

Prelude

Processional/Viewing

Scripture Reading:

Old Testament......Elder Kevin Lewis

New Testament......Elder Kevin Lewis

Prayer ...... Reverend Keshia Shuler-Johnson

Reflections (3 minutes please)

Family ......Mr. Daniel Starkes

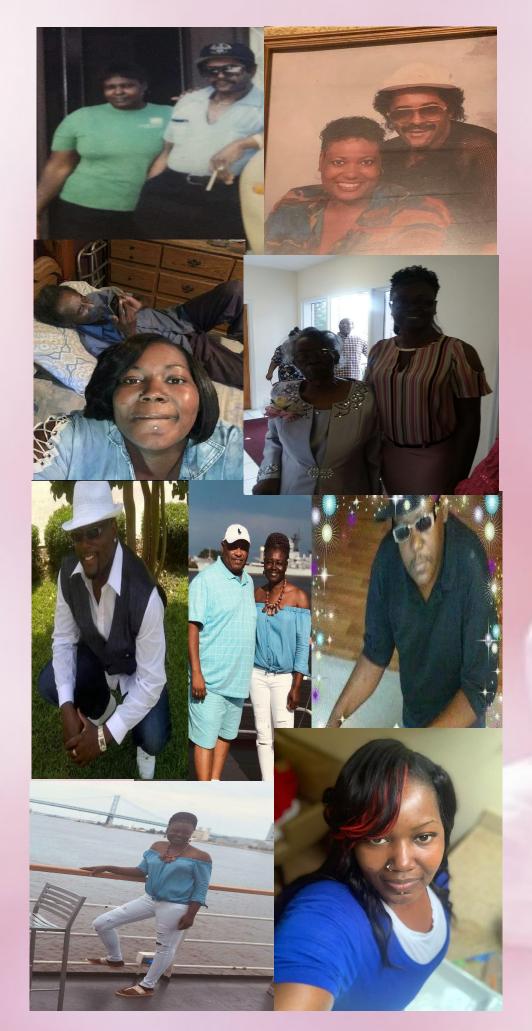
Friend......Mrs. Margarett Austin

Co-Worker......Mrs. Maxine

Acknowledgements

Solo......Mrs. Whatinia B, Mack

Comital Service/Benediction



#### A Celebration of a Life Well-Lived

## Annie Bell Starkes-Bowman

Mrs. Annie Bell Starkes-Bowman was born July 10, 1951 in Orangeburg County, South Carolina to Mrs. Thelma Starkes-Shuler and the late Mr. Willie Summers. She departed this life on July 23, 2020 at the Regional Medical Center after a brief illness. She is proceeded in death by her father Willie Summers and siblings Annie Logan and Lee Earl Carson.

Annie grew up in Orangeburg, SC and attended Orangeburg Public Schools. At an early age she joined Pineville United Methodist Church in Bowman, SC. Annie was employed at Jeanville, Bowman's Truck Stop as a supervisor and cook, Howard Johnson Hotel as a housekeeper and later a housewife.

Annie was s a people's person that knew everyone, and it seemed everyone knew her. She lived her life to the fullest. She enjoyed spending time with her family and friends, cracking jokes and cooking her delicious meals.

Annie leaves to cherish her loving memories: her devoted and loving husband of 30 years, Daniel Clay Bowman; of the home; three loving daughters: Patricia Bookard (Roland Jr.), Bowman, SC; LaKesha Starkes, Bowman, SC; Tyeshia Commodore, (Rashaud), of Summerville, SC; two devoted sons; Gregory Starkes, Orangeburg, SC; and Kevin (Christa) Starkes, Orangeburg, SC; along with seven siblings: Patsy Johnson, Bowman, SC; Freddie (Karen) Shuler, Elloree, SC; Jacob (Hilda) Shuler, Smoaks, SC; Larry (Charnise) Shuler, Orangeburg, SC; Cynthia Shuler (Vernon), Orangeburg, SC; Nelson (Kathy) Summers, Orangeburg, SC; and Lillie Nelson; aunts and uncles; Daniel Starkes, Ruth Preston, and Johnnie Mae Starkes; brothers and sisters in law; Gloria McMillian, Orangeburg, SC; Frank Bowman, New York; and Dora Gaddis (Wilbert), Orangeburg, SC; grandchildren; Felicity Bradley, Fabian Williams, Breanna Green, Sharouda Bookard (Jordan), Gregory Starkes, Jr., Rolandra Bookard, Jazlin Starkes, Tyshawn Starkes, Ke'Asia Starkes (Tyleki), Dedrick Starkes, Kevin Starkes, Jr., Kanasia Starkes, (Patrick), Roland Bookard, III, Keyshawn Starkes, Zyrell Robinson, Chelsea Starkes, James Wade, Rashaud Commodore, Jr., Madison Commodore, Cameron Commodore; great grandchildren; Peyton Price, Skylar Wilson, Kaisen Davis, Gionne Pelzer, Haleigh Jackson, Baby Starkes (unborn); Special daughter; JoAnn Neals; Special Friends; Margarett Austin and Maxine; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.