

Come to me

all you who are weary

and burdened, and I will

Give you rest.

Matthew 11:28

Casket Bearers Grandsons

Floral Bearers
Granddaughters



Expression of Appreciation

We, the family of the late Elizabeth Smith Brooks, would like to graciously thank everyone for their personal and collective prayers, food, visits, calls, flowers and other acts of kindness. Your many expressions of sympathy and love will always be remembered. God bless you all.

— The Family



Services Entrusted To:

F.B. PRATT & SON FUNERAL HOME

601 South Street • Newberry, South Carolina (803) 276-1206

Homegoing Services
Celebrating the Life
of
Elizabeth Smith Brooks

Sunrise June 15, 1926

Sunset April 25, 2018



Sunday, April 29, 2018 1:00 P.M.

Hannah A.M.E. Church Newberry, South Carolina

Reverend Richard McKnight, Pastor Pastor Tommy Lawson, Officiating

Obituary

Mrs. Elizabeth Smith Brooks entered into eternal rest on Wednesday, April 25, 2018, at her home.

Born in Newberry County, she was the daughter of the late Sol and Minnie E. Smith. She was a member of Hannah A.M.E. Church where she served faithfully as a choir member, Usher Board, a member of the Building Fund and the Willing Workers committee until her health declined. Mrs. Brooks retired from Damon Sewing Industries.

Mrs. Brooks was predeceased by her husband, John Alvin Brooks; sons, James Wesley Brooks and Henry Lee Brooks; sisters, Surfina S. Carter and Annie Germany; brothers, John W. Smith and James Sol Smith; grandsons, Rico M. Camack and Antonio L. Brooks.

Surviving are daughters, Judy (McArthur) Camack of Blair, SC, and Elizabeth (Donald) Rutherford of Prosperity, SC; sons, Phelvaree (Jerri) Smith of Copley, Akron, OH, John Sol Brooks of Prosperity, SC; grandson, reared in the home, Vincent (Shirley) Brooks of Pomaria, SC; sister, Minnie S. Goodman of Newberry, SC; sister-in-law, Mabel Mackey of Brooklyn, NY; brother-in-law, James Brooks of Newark, NJ; thirty-one grandchildren; seventy greatgrandchildren; twenty great-grandchildren; daughters-in-law, Barbara Brooks, Kathy Brooks and Emily Marie Brooks; a host of nieces and nephews; and two devoted God daughters, Rosenia (Leroy) Bookman of Prosperity, SC, and Betty Woodard of Blair, SC.

Footprints

One night, a man had a dream. He dreamed of walking along the beach with the LORD. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene, he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonging to him and the other to the LORD.

When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life.

This really bothered him and he questioned the LORD about it. "LORD, You said that once I decided to follow You, You'd walk with me all the way. But I noticed that during the most trouble-some times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed You most You would leave me."

The LORD replied, "My son, my precious child, I love you and would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."

Order of Service

Reverend Richard McKnight, Presiding

| Prelude |
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| Processional |
| Final Viewing Family and Friends |
| Selection Mt. Zion Mass Choir |
| Prayer |
| Scripture Readings Old Testament New Testament |
| Reflections |
| SoloKenneth Weems |
| Words of ComfortPastor Tommy Lawson Metropolitan Baptist Church Newberry, South Carolina |
| Recessional |
| Selection Mt. Zion Mass Choir |
| Committal and Benediction Graveside |
| Interment |