

Casket Bearers
Family and Friends

Floral Bearers
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God's Eternal Plan

God gives us each the gift of life
To cherish from our birth,
He gives us friends and those we love
To share our days on Earth.
He watches us with loving care
And takes us by the hand,
He blesses us with countless joys
And guides the lives we've planned.
Then when our work on earth is done
He calls us to His side
To live with Him in happiness
Where peace and love abide.

Acknowledgment

We, the family of the late Janet Susie Joiner Dowd, are grateful to all of you for your comforting expressions of sympathy and love rendered to us during this sorrowful period. We thank God for each of you, for he has come to us through you. May His love and peace abide with you always.



Services Entrusted To:

F.B. PRATT & SON FUNERAL HOME

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



Obituary

Minister Janet S. Joiner Dowd, was born January 14, 1952, in Newberry, South Carolina, to the late Blufford Joiner and the late Janie Mae Gary Joiner. She entered into Eternal Rest on Friday, April 27, 2018, at Palmetto Health Richland.

She was a member of Love Chapel Church and a former employee of the Department of Social Services. Mrs. Dowd was a graduate of Gallman High School and Midlands Technical College.

Mrs. Dowd was predeceased by two brothers, Luther Joiner and Mark Joiner.

Cherishing her memory are her husband, Berley Gerald Dowd; daughter, Keri Monique Dowd-Pugh (DeAngelo); sons, Berley Gerald Dowd, II, of Gaston, SC, and Stanley Joiner; sister, Mary Joiner Gray (Earl); brothers, William Carl Joiner and Eugene Joiner all of Newberry, SC; five grandchildren, Kaela Janet Dowd, Kaitlyn Erin Dowd, DeAngelo Pugh, Xavier Dowd and Dana Dowd; one aunt, Thelma Price; devoted friend, Brenda Livingston, two sisters-in-law; two brothers-in-law; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.



The Dash

by Linda Ellis

I read of a man who stood to speak At the funeral of a friend He referred to the dates on her tombstone From the beginning to the end He noted that first came her date of her birth And spoke the following date with tears, But he said what mattered most of all Was the dash between those years For that dash represents all the time That she spent alive on earth. And now only those who loved her Know what that little line is worth. For it matters not how much we own: The cars, the house, the cash, What matters is how we live and love And how we spend our dash. So think about this long and hard. Are there things you'd like to change? For you never know how much time is left, That can still be rearranged. If we could just slow down enough To consider what's true and real And always try to understand The way other people feel. And be less quick to anger, And show appreciation more And love the people in our lives Like we've never loved before. If we treat each other with respect, And more often wear a smile Remembering that this special dash Might only last a little while. So, when your eulogy is being read With your life's actions to rehash Would you be proud of the things they say About how you spent your dash?

Order of Service

Prelude Musicians
Processional Clergy and Family
Final Viewing Family and Friends
Selection Bishop Troy Price & True Light Choir
Prayer Pastor Geraldine Oliver
Scripture Readings Old Testament Minister Vernessa Brown New Testament Pastor Kenneth Wyatt
Reflections Wendy Joiner Mary Joiner Gray Carl Joiner Kaela Dowd Kaitly Dowd
Solo Minister Linda Stroman
Words of Comfort Minister Karen Gray
Recessional
Committal and Benediction Graveside
Interment Newberry Memorial Gardens Newberry, South Carolina