

Order of Service
Reverend Henrietta D. Smith, Presiding

Musical Prelude ----- Ms. Wanda Johnson

Processional -----Clergy, Family, and Friends

Opening Hymn ----- Zion Pilgrim Musical Choir
“Blessed Assurance”

Scriptures:

Old Testament – Isaiah 40:28-31 ----- Reverend Dr. James Leysath

New Testament – Rev. 21:3-6 ----- Reverend Charles Chambers

Prayer -----Pastor Shane C. Richardson, Grandson

Selection ----- Zion Pilgrim Baptist Jubilee Choir
“No, I Won’t Turn Back”

Reflections -----
Deacon Robert Barnes, Asst. Chairman Zion Pilgrim Baptist Deacon Board
Deacon Charles Porterfield, Son-in-law
Mrs. Janice W. Roberts, Daughter

Resolution-----Deacon Brett Porterfield, Grandson

Solo ----- Mr. Eddie J. Nelson, Son-in-law
“I Bowed on My Knees and Cried Holy”

Words of Comfort ----- Reverend Willie J. Davis, Jr.

Recessional ----- Zion Pilgrim Musical & Jubilee Choirs
“I’ll Fly Away”

Interment

Memorial Gardens of Columbia
9301 Wilson Blvd.
Columbia, SC 29203

Floral Bearers

Nieces

Zion Pilgrim Baptist Church Jubilee Choir

Pall Bearers

Zion Pilgrim Baptist Church Deacons

Zion Pilgrim Baptist Church Trustees

Preston Thompson

Acknowledgements

We, the family of Mrs. Precious R. Woodard, greatly appreciate all the expressions of love that you have directed our way. The overwhelming outpouring of love, sympathy, and prayers have helped us endure one of the most difficult moments in our lives. Thank you for the cards, emails, meals, flowers and phone calls. Your kind acts will always be remembered with warm thoughts of gratitude. May God bless you all. We ask that you continue to remember us in your prayers.

The Family



Nelson's Funeral Home
270 N. Dogwood Ave.
Ridgeway, SC 29130
803-337-4500
www.nelsonsofridgeway.com

*In
Loving Memory*



Mrs. Precious R. Woodard

June 1, 1926 – October 18, 2021

**Sunday, October 24, 2021
1:00 P.M.**

**Zion Pilgrim Baptist Church
1609 Zion Avenue
Columbia, SC 29201**

Reverend Willie J. Davis Jr., Pastor

Obituary

The Faith of My Mother

By Janice Woodard Roberts

Dedicated to my mom, Mrs. Precious R. Woodard, for your guidance and loving sacrifice.

I am so glad you knew your purpose.
God showed you what to do.
To guide, nurture and love your children.
To teach us to be confident and true.

You had a vision for the future.
And worked hard to see it come to pass.
Seeing beyond your circumstances
You believed the difficulties would not last.

You did not waver from your commitment.
For you had made a vow to the Lord
To teach us about Him,
And to make sure He was in our hearts.

You taught us about learning
How important it is to give.
You knew with education
It was the best path so that we could well live.

I thank God for your sacrifice.
I thank Him for your care.
I thank you for believing
That we could do anything, if only we dare!

***Mom, forever you will be in our hearts!
Your loving children***

***"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness..."
II Timothy 4:7-8 (KJV)***

Mrs. Precious Richardson Woodard was born on June 1, 1926, in Columbia, South Carolina, and departed this earthly life on October 18, 2021. Sister Woodard gave her life to Christ at age fourteen and became a member of the Zion Pilgrim Baptist Church, where she served faithfully for 81 years.

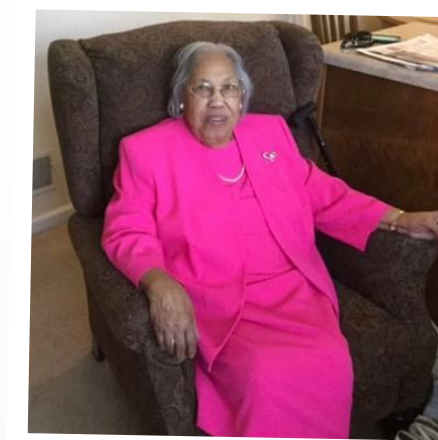
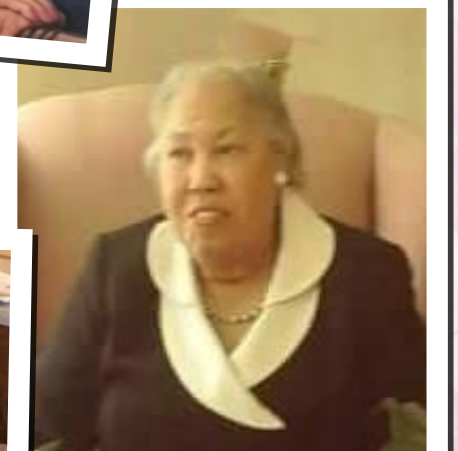
She enjoyed hearing good preaching, singing, and loved praising God; moreover, she faithfully served as a member and secretary of the Musical Choir. Additionally, she was a long-time member of the Jubilee Choir, where she also served as secretary for many years. Sister Woodard was instrumental in the operation of the Zion Pilgrim Baptist Church, serving as assistant secretary for many years, as well as church secretary for the past 11 years. She was also a member of the Missionary Society.

Educated in the Richland County Public Schools, Mrs. Woodard had a joy for reading and learning. She was an avid supporter of the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) at Perrin-Thomas Elementary School and was secretary for many years. She retired from Seibels Bruce Insurance Company after more than 20 years of dedicated service. Precious was well known for her delight in helping others and making everyone whom she met feel special.

She is survived by one son, Thomas E. (Gabrielle) Woodard of Frankfort, Germany; six daughters, Patricia Brown of Suffield, Connecticut, Andrena Richardson of Hopkins, South Carolina, Jacquelyn (Eddie) Nelson of Blythewood, South Carolina, Carlotta (Deacon Charles) Porterfield of Columbia, South Carolina, Paula E. Woodard of Columbia, South Carolina, and Janice (Jesse) Roberts of Marietta, Georgia, and one stepdaughter, Mary Ellen Williams of Columbia, South Carolina.

She is also survived by nine grandchildren: Kim Brown Bond, Regina Brown, Johnnie Brown, Jr., Nicole (Preston) Thompson, Shauntee Richardson Holmes, Pastor Shane (Sylvia) Richardson, Thomas Bottin, Sylvester Cleveland II, Deacon Brett (Liza) Porterfield; 14 great-grandchildren, 13 great-great-grandchildren; special nieces, Estella Manning, Alfreda Richardson, and Vern Adams; and special nephews, Elijah Preston, Jr. and Roland Richardson; and a host of loving nieces, nephews, and other relatives, all who mourn her passing.

Mrs. Woodard was preceded in death by her son, Melvin Richardson; daughter, Marilyn Cleveland; her mother, Binky Richardson Benefield; one brother, Burl Richardson, and sister-in-law, Catherine Richardson; four sisters: Alberta Preston, Isabell Flowers, Easter Richardson, and Susannah Carson.



***Devoted Mother
Cherished Friend***