#### **PALLBEARERS**

Deacons and Men of Friendship Baptist Church

#### FLORAL BEARERS

Deaconesses and Ladies of Friendship Baptist Church

# MOTHERS NEVER REALLY DIE, They Just Keep House Up in The Sky

Death beckoned her with outstretched hands And whispered softly of "An Unknown Land"... But she was not afraid to go For though the path she did not know. She took death's hand without fear, For He who safely brought her here Had told her He would lead the way Into eternity's bright day... And so she did not go alone Into the "Valley That's Unknown"... She gently took death by the hand And journeyed to "The Promised Land"... And there, with step so light and gay, she polishes the sun by day and lights the stars that shine at night And keeps the moonbeams silvery bright... For Mothers really never die, They just keep house up in the sky... And in the Heavenly Home above They wait to "welcome" those they love.

Helen Steiner Rice

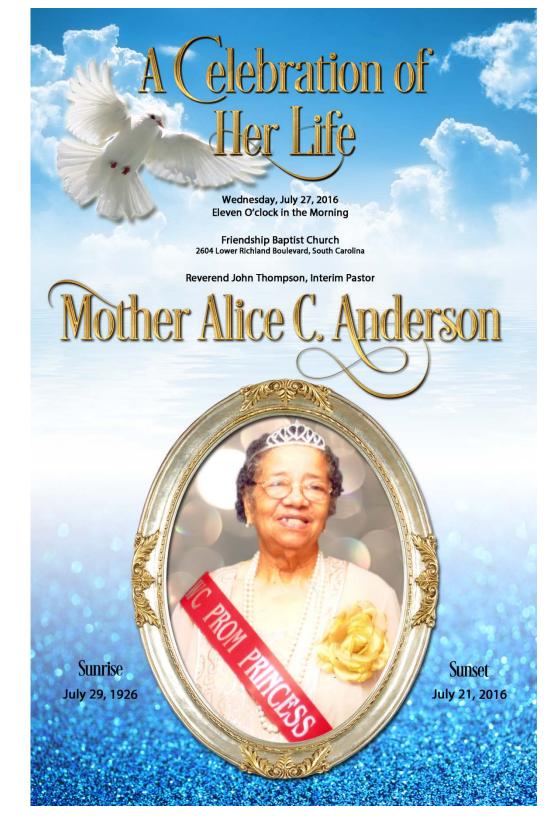
### THE ANDERSON FAMILY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The family of Deaconess Alice C. Stevens Anderson appreciates the many acts of kindness rendered during our time of sorrow. Each act brings a ray of sunshine to our saddened hearts and comforts our bereavement. May God bless each of you. Special thanks are extended to the staffs of Regional Homecare & Concierge, Vital Care and Palmetto Health Hospice. Additional thanks go out to Deacon and Deaconess Augustus Ware and Deacon and Deaconess Grady Truesdale.

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# REFLECTIONS OF HER LIFE

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, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

II Timothy 4: 7-8 (KJV)

Deaconess (Mother) Alice C. Anderson was born July 29, 1926 in Killian, South Carolina. She was the daughter of the late Samuel J. and Emily Outen Stevens. On Thursday afternoon, July 21, 2016 with her family and church family surrounding her, God, in His infinite wisdom, called home his beloved daughter to reign with Him in glory.

Mother Anderson attended the formal schools of Richland County. For several years, she was employed with Dr. Joseph Workman. After 18 years of service, she retired from the University of South Carolina in June 1988.

Mother Anderson was united in holy matrimony to (the late) Deacon William Anderson, Sr. who preceded her in death. Together, they shared many years of happiness and devotion and raised one daughter.

Mother Anderson was a faithful member of Friendship Baptist Church until her health started to decline. During her tenure, she served on the Musical and Senior Choirs, on the Deaconess Ministry and the Missionary Ministry. She was also the Church Secretary, a member of the Friendship Baptist Church Trailblazers and the Mother of the Church.

She was a loving and devoted mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, cousin and friend who will be remembered by all those who loved and knew her.

Mother Anderson was predeceased by: her brother, Willie J. Stevens; her sister, Thelma S. Trapp; and three brothers-in-law: William B. Barr, Lawton Ferguson and Harry Riley.

Those left to cherish her precious and loving memories are: her loving daughter, Sandra A. (Darryl) Green; two loving grandsons, Kaylen A. and Nicholas C. Green, all of the home; stepdaughter, Marie (Curtis)Martin of Columbia, South Carolina, and stepson, Preston Anderson of Hopkins, South Carolina; four step-granddaughters, Deidre D. and Mia R. Martin, Sherika M. (Robert) Washington and Courtney L. Green, all of Columbia, South Carolina; ten great-grandchildren; four sisters: Geneva S. (James) Pugh, Mary S. Ferguson, Edna S. Barr and Frances S. Riley, all of Columbia, South Carolina; one sisterin-law, Willie Frances G. Stevens, and one brother-in-law, Deacon Eugene Trapp, both of Blythewood, South Carolina a special nephew, William A. Barr of Columbia, South Carolina; and a host of loving nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends, all of whom join the family in sharing the grief caused by her departure but rejoice that she is now resting with the Lord.

# ORDER OF SERVICE

## REVEREND JOHN THOMPSON, PRESIDING

PreludeFriendship Baptist Mass Choir
Processional
Hymn of PraiseFriendship Baptist Mass Choir
Scripture Readings
Old TestamentPsalm 90  Minister Herman Core, Friendship Baptist Church
New TestamentRevelation 21:1-7  Reverend Ricky R. Ezell, Sr., Central Baptist Church
Prayer of ComfortReverend Arthur Gilley, Sr.  Midway Baptist Church
SelectionFriendship Baptist Mass Choir
Reflections (three minutes please)Sister Rebecca Anderson Minister Herman Core Deacon Augustus Ware
SoloMargaret Sanders
Words of ComfortReverend John Thompson
Final Farewell to Mother AndersonBostick-Tompkins Staff
Recessional

SERVICES OF COMMENDATION
Committal, Closing Prayer, Benediction & Interment
FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH CEMETERY