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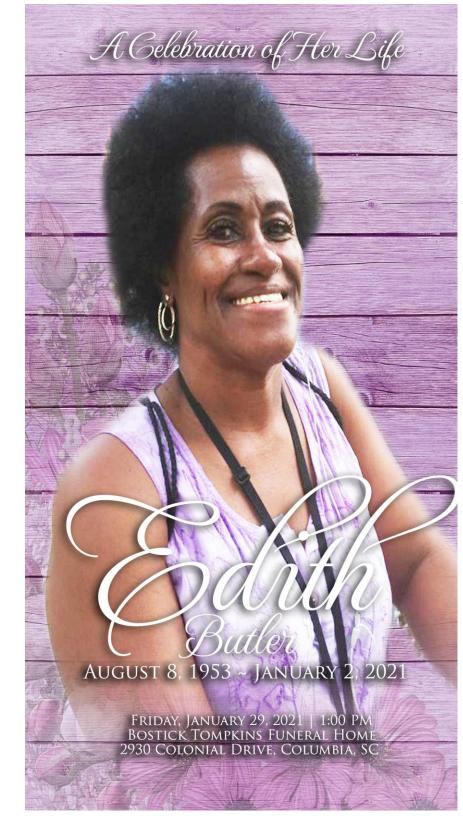
Weep not for me though I have gone Into that gentle night Grieve if you will, but not for long Upon my soul's sweet flight I am at peace, my soul's at rest There is no need for tears For with your love I was so blessed For all those many years There is no pain, I suffer not The fear is now all gone Put now these things out of your thoughts In your memory I live on Remember not my fight for breath Remember not the strife Please do not dwell upon my death But celebrate my life

THE FAMILY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The family of the late **Edith Butler** wishes to thank everyone for their prayers and the many expressions of kindness shown during this time of bereavement.



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REFLECTIONS OF HER LIFE

Edith Butler was the third of six girls to Willie Amelia Butler and Blamis Garrett on August 8th, 1953. She was born and raised in Brooklyn, New York. During her time in high school, she relocated to The Bronx while enrolled in the New York City Public School system. On Saturday evening, January 2, 2021, Edith was called to her eternal home.

Edith went on to work for the New York Daily News for a few years alongside her sisters. Shortly after that, Edith relocated her familiar city roots to a quieter and calmer lifestyle in Columbia, South Carolina. Edith became a school bus driver for Richland One Transportation for 14 years until her retirement.

Edith loved the Lord. She attended Zion Canaan Baptist Church, local to her in Columbia. In her free time, Edith enjoyed gardening and listening to gospel music. She was a very loving person and always jumped at the chance to capture a picture with family and friends. Edith also accomplished 18 years of sobriety through NA, in which she actively participated and helped others during their journey. Edith's family was essential to her, and she was always there to support her sisters, children, grandchildren, and the local community.

Preceding Edith in death are her parents Willie Amelia and Blamis, and sisters Marilyn and Carolyn.

She is survived by her five children Robert, Earl, Erica, Clifton, and Korey, one daughter-in-law Adrina Georgette, three sisters Julia, Doris, Helene, three grandchildren Robert Jr., Micah, and Joshua, one nephew Edward, four nieces Tekisha, Kyshonna, Tameka, Tahiesha, and Jenny and a host of great-nieces and great-nephews to cherish her memory.

We will always carry her memory in our hearts.

We love you!

There was magic in my Mother's touch, And sunshine in her smile. There was love in everything she did That made my life worthwhile.

I found both hope and courage Just by looking into her eyes. Her laughter was a source of joy, Her works were warm and wise.

There was kindness and compassion
To be found in her embrace.
And I saw the light of heaven
Shining from my Mother's face.

I know you'll watch over me Be my guiding light, Giving me the strength I need To face days ahead without you in sight.

You'll always be with me... Whatever I do, wherever I go. No one needs to tell me, You are my loving mother, so I just know.

I could close my eyes and my mind,
Looking back, filled with sadness that you are gone.
Or I can do what you'd want:
Remember the love, smile, open my eyes and go on.

ORDER OF SERVICE

PASTOR BOBBY L. SMITH, SR. PRESIDING

Prelude
ProcessionalFamily
Final FarewellBTFF
Song Deacon Ronald Anderson
Scripture Reading
Old TestamentMin. Derwin Bradley
New TestamentMin. Willie Williams
PrayerPastor Bobby L. Smith
RemarksDeacon Anderson Joshua Butlei
AcknowledgmentsJennifer Brown
Words of ComfortPastor Bobby L Smith

SERVICES OF COMMENDATION

Closing & Benediction

Recessional