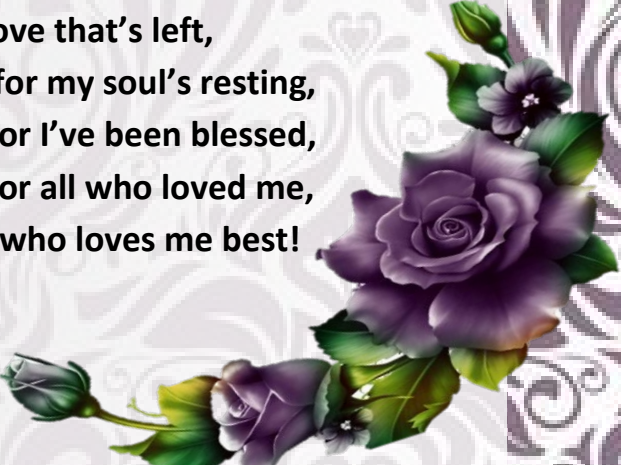




The Last Request

Please don't say I gave up, just say that I gave in,
Don't say I lost the battle,
for it was God's war to lose or win;
Please don't say how good I was, but say I did my
best. Just say I tried to do what's right,
to give the most I could, not less;
Please don't give me flowers or talk in real hushed
tones. Don't be concerned about me now,
I'm well with God, I've made it home.
Don't talk about my illness, it's over and it's done.
Just see to all my family's needs, especially the little
ones. When you draw a picture of me, don't draw me
as a saint. I've done some good,
I've done some wrong, so use all the colors you can
paint. Not just bright and light tones,
use some gray and dark;
In fact, don't put me down on canvas,
paint me in your heart.
Remember all the good times...
remember all the bad; For life is full of many things,
some happy and some sad... But if you must do
something, then I have one request.
Forgive me for any wrong I've done, and with
the love that's left,
Thank God for my soul's resting,
thank God for I've been blessed,
Thank God for all who loved me,
praise God who loves me best!



FLORAL BEARERS

Members of the Norfield Class of 1972
AND

Tracey Sumpter
Carrie Polite
Hanna Flenoid

Kiendra Herrington
Wanda Washington
Brenda Johnson

Kwakiutl Stroman


PALL BEARERS

Randy Stroman
Billy Stroman
Keith Stroman
Ronnie Washington

Bobby Jackson
Kelvin Stroman
Kelvin Coleman
Farrell Washington

Family Acknowledgements

We the James and Stroman families would like to thank you all for
your prayers, visits, calls, thoughts, and all the many acts of kindness
and over flowing love we have received during our time of
bereavement. We ask God's blessings be showered down on each
and every one of you.



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Born
May 9, 1954

Entered Eternal Rest
June 15, 2019

CELEBRATION OF LIFE
FOR

Martha
Ann Stroman James



THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF *Martha*
Ann Stroman James

Martha Ann was born May 9, 1954 in Orangeburg County, South Carolina to the late Jessie Stroman, Jr. and the late Martha Ann Hart Stroman. She was preceded in death by one sister, Alberta Stroman and one brother, John K. (Jack) Stroman.

She was educated in the public schools of Norway, South Carolina and was a 1972 graduate of Norfield High School. She was married to Bobby L. James on March 16, 1973 and to this union two children were born.

Sister, or Big Sister as the family and close friends affectionately called her was very particular of herself presentations, and would only “come out right, picture perfect from head to toe.” Sister was very work oriented and had had very high work ethics. Her on time meant being early. She was employed in the following positions until her failing health succumbed her; Amblers Industries, and Stone Manufacturing Plant as a seamstress. Sister was also a secretary and payroll clerk at Embeford Dairy Farm. She also served the Orangeburg Consolidated School District four as a substitute teacher at Hunter Kinard Tyler Schools. Sister worked as the Medical Records Clerk at the Bamberg Job Corps Center, and as secretary to Dr. Jim Furtick, Jr. She was also an avon representative for fifteen years.

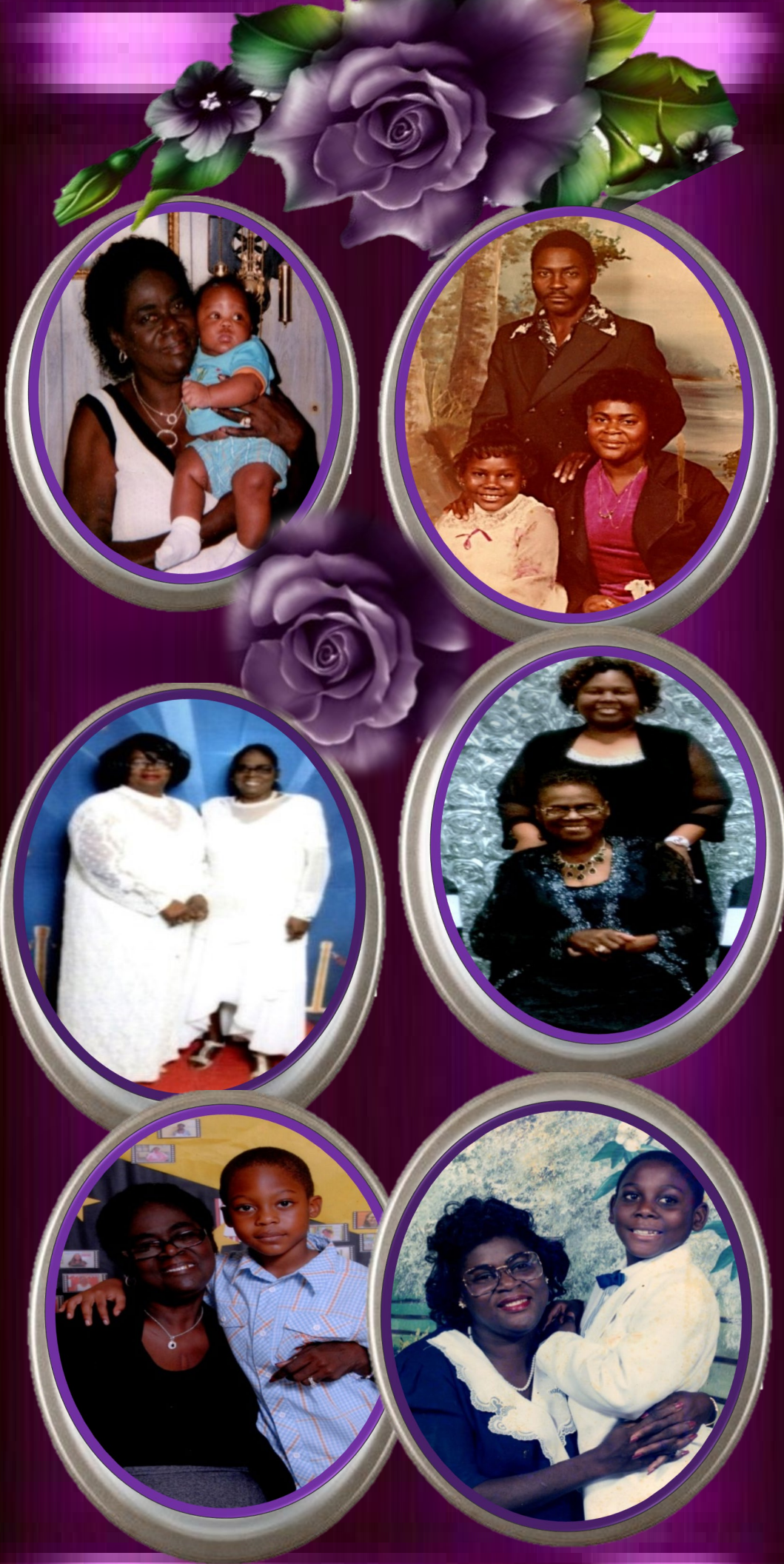
Her strong will was like no other. Sister was a dialysis patient for over twenty five years. During these years miracles were revealed through her. She withstood more than thirty surgeries, including open heart surgery, and defeated cancer like a champ.

Her strength, resiliency, perseverance, and most importantly her faith in God marveled medicine right up to the very end. She spoke with authority, said what she meant and meant what she said. Sister’s life was an example for all to follow.

We thank God for allowing us to have Sister as a wife, mother, sister, aunt, advisor, disciplinarian, friend and a dedicated church member.

Sister peacefully left us among the living on Saturday, June 15, 2019 at 11:35am at The Regional Medical Center, Orangeburg, South Carolina.

She leaves to cherish her memories and continue her legacy her husband of forty five (45) years, Bobby Louis; one daughter, Tosha K. James; one son, Demetrius C. James; one grandson, De’Seann D. James of the home; one sister, Joann Stroman (Ronnie Washington) of Cope, South Carolina; three brothers, Jessie (Tamela) Stroman, III of Blythewood, South Carolina, Randy L. (Sandra) Stroman of Chula Vista, California, and Billy J. (Arthia) Stroman of Cope, South Carolina; four nieces, Kwakiutl M. Stroman, Hanna Flenoid, Kiendra V. Herrigton, and Victoria Stroman; four nephews, Keith Stroman, Kelvin C. Stroman, Jessie Stroman IV, Billy K. Stroman (BJ); great nieces and nephews, Caleb Flenoid, Katey Hughes, Sy’miya Stroman, Jaden Stroman, and Ky’Mani Stroman.



Order of Celebration

Saturday, June 22, 2019
12:00 NOON
Spires Chapel Baptist Church
9110 Savannah Highway, Norway, SC 29113

Rev. Wendell Johnson, PASTOR
Apostle Keisha Alves, PRESIDING

- Processional
- Final Viewing
- Selection....."I'll Be Alright"
- Scripture.....Psalm 23 and John 14:1-6.....Rev. Rufus Jamison
- Prayer.....Rev. Willie Flood
- Solo.....Gabbrielle Harper
- Remarks.....Dea. Gary Peeples
AND Open for others as Desired (3 minutes please)
- Family Tribute
- Acknowledgements.....Staff of Jackson’s Memorial Chapel
- Selection....."Good News"
- Eulogy/Words of Comfort.....Rev. Wendell Johnson
- Recessional

Interment
Committal Service, Prayer and Benediction

Spires Chapel Baptist Church Cemetery
498 Kilgus Street
Cope, South Carolina 29038