# Honorary Pallbearers

Deacons of Zion Baptist Church

## God's Garden

God looked around his garden
And found an empty place.
He then looked down upon the earth,
And saw your tired face.

He put His arms around you And lifted you to rest. God's garden must be beautiful, He always takes the best.

He knew that you were suffering, He knew that you were in pain. He knew that you would never Get well on earth again.

He saw the road was getting rough And the hills were hard to climb. So He closed your weary eyelids And whispered "Peace be thine."

It broke our hearts to lose you But you did not go alone... For part of us went with you The day God called you home.

### Pallbearers

Kennard Franklin Thomas Chatman Sherrard Franklin Christopher Starnes Ken Joyner Swag Harrison

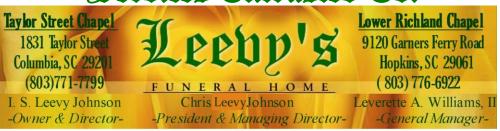
### Floral Bearers

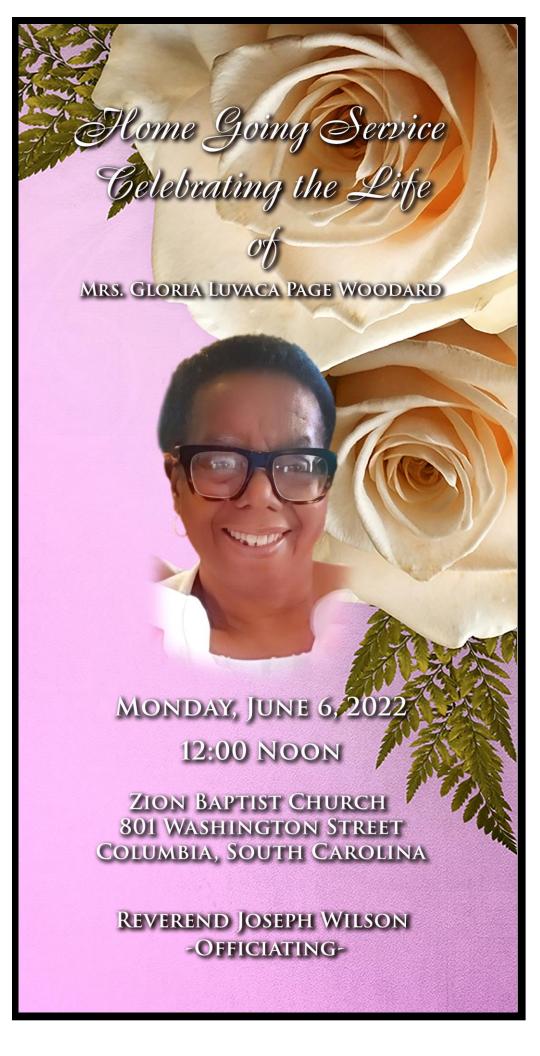
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

## <u> Acknowledgement</u>

We, the family of Mrs. Gloria Luvaca Page Woodard, would like to extend an enormous heart-felt thank you to our many friends and family, the Cromartie family, the Williams family, the Morse family, the Wheeler family, the Wilson family, and Representative Leon Howard, for support and guidance during Gloria's illness. We would also like to thank the entire staff of Millennium Post-Acute Rehabilitation, in West Columbia, SC, for their compassionate care. May God continue to bless each and every one of you.

## Services Entrusted To:





### Obituary

Mrs. Gloria Luvaca Page Woodard was born on April 22, 1957, in Columbia, South Carolina. She was the eldest daughter of the late James Edward and Mildred Perry Mack Page. She departed this life in the early morning on Sunday, May 29, 2022.

Gloria Page Woodard was born and raised in Columbia, SC. Mrs. Woodard attended Richland County District One schools, graduating from W. J. Keenan High School, Class of 1974. Following graduation, she attended the University of South Carolina, obtaining both an Associate and Bachelor's degree in accounting. Gloria fell in love with accounting, a result of having to assist her father in preparing weekly payroll and job cost estimates for his drywall company.

Upon leaving college, Gloria used her accounting talents as both a corporate and entrepreneur accountant starting Page by Page Accounting. She began her career with AT&T Nassau Metals, in South Carolina, and the New York offices. After returning to Columbia, she began and continue working as an accounting consultant for E.W. Cromartie and Associates, personal consultations, various other companies, and organizations.

Her life of service began as a child, assisting her grandmother and other Deaconesses at Zion Baptist Church in preparing for communion services, and unknowingly expanded as she helped neighbors by reading newspapers and helping them shop. She also helped other children with homework. After becoming a member of Zion Baptist Church and joining the Greenview Girl Scout troop, she began many hours of community service. College brought new opportunities for community service, when she became a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., a member of the University of South Carolina College of Applied Science Curriculum Advisory Committee. She became a volunteer income tax preparer.

As an adult, Gloria Woodard has been a member and/or officer in numerous organizations to include: Zion Baptist Church Missionary Society, USC Black Alumni Association, National Association of Black Accountants, American Business Women's Association, NAACP, North Columbia Civic Club, and Columbia Council of Neighborhoods.

Gloria served as president as well as being past secretary of the North Columbia Civic Club and secretary for the Columbia Council of Neighborhood. Although soft spoken and a quiet listener, she had a commanding presence on issues important to her. Say what you mean and mean what you say was often her motto. Just because someone talks loudly, it does not make them any less wrong, she would say. If something needed doing or someone needed help, she would rally efforts from others, but usually in her quiet way just provide the help or a friendly ear as needed. She truly believed we were all meant to "Help One Another" and if you could not help, get out the way so someone else can. Gloria also enjoyed dancing from a young age. This passion led her to join The Southern Groove Line. She also enjoyed spending time with friends and family, traveling, reading, and cooking.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James and Mildred Page.

Mrs. Gloria Woodard leaves to cherish her precious memory: her husband, Stanley Woodard (of 41 years); two daughters, Gynessa Woodard and Shondra Woodard, of Columbia, South Carolina; a sister, Willis (Sharon) Page, of Durham, North Carolina; three grandchildren, Savion, Geneeva, and Jadon; a host of nieces, nephews, many other loving relatives, and caring friends, all of whom will miss her dearly.

#### Memories







Prelude





















## H Service of Remembrance

**Processional** Viewing Funeral Directors Opening Selection Old Testament – Ecclesiastes 3:1-4 New Testament – Corinthians 5:6-8 Selection W. J. Keenan Alumni Master Savion Woodard Grandson Councilwoman Tina Herbert Columbia City Council Representative Leon Howard Selection Recessional Postlude



### Committal, Benediction and Interment

10:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 7, 2022 Fort Jackson National Cemetery 4170 Percival Road Columbia, South Carolina