

*Mommy You Never Said
Goodbye*

You never said I'm leaving. You never said goodbye.
You were gone before we knew it, and only God
knows why. A million times we needed you,
a million times we cried.

If love alone could have saved you, you never
would have died. In life we loved you dearly;
in death we love you still.

In our hearts you hold a special place that no one else could ever
fill. It broke our hearts to lose you, but you didn't go alone;
for part of us went with you, the day **God** took you home.

Lovingly Submitted:
Your Children

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.

Lovingly Submitted:
Your Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren

Pallbearers

Grandsons and Nephews

Floral Bearers

Granddaughters and Nieces

You Only Have One Mother

Patient kind and true;
No other friend in all the world,
Will be the same to you.
When other friends forsake you,
To mother, you will return,
For all her loving kindness
She asks nothing in return
As we look upon her picture
Sweet memories we recall
Of a face so full of sunshine
And a smile for one and all
Sweet Jesus take this message
To our dear mother up above
Tell her how we miss her
And give her all our love.

You Only Have One Mother!

Acknowledgement

We, the family of Mrs. Zenobia McKnight Blackwell, would like to express our sincere appreciation for the prayers, loving deeds, comforting words, concern, and acts of kindness shown, during this time. Special thanks to our church family and the Spring Valley Family Practice, Dr. James Altieri. May God continue to bless each of you.

Services Entrusted To:

Taylor Street Chapel 1831 Taylor Street Columbia, SC 29201 (803)771-7799 I. S. Leevy Johnson -Owner & Director-	Leevy's FUNERAL HOME Chris Leevy Johnson -President & Managing Director-	Lower Richland Chapel 9120 Garners Ferry Road Hopkins, SC 29061 (803) 776-6922 Leverette A. Williams, II -General Manager-
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*In
Loving Memory
of*

Mrs. Zenobia McKnight Blackwell



Saturday, September 3, 2022

11:00 a.m.

Gunter's Chapel Baptist Church

*1631 Windover Street
Columbia, South Carolina*

Reverend Andrew Johnson

-Associate Pastor-

Life Reflections

A chapter completed. A page turned. A life well lived. Rest well earned.

Mrs. Zenobia McKnight Blackwell was affectionately known by others as **Hercules**. At an early age, she accepted Christ as her Savior, and was an active member of First Baptist Church, in Brooklyn, NY. After relocating to Columbia, SC, she joined Gunter's Chapel Baptist Church. She served on the Missionary Board. She had many trials and tribulations, but through them all she smiled, and trusted God. When she looked over her life, she saw how God had blessed her over and over again. No matter what, He was always by her side.

Zenobia Blackwell was born January 11, 1943 to Mr. and Mrs. Fred McKnight, in Kingstree, SC. On Saturday, August 27, 2022, she departed this earthly life at her home, just like she wanted.

She attended and graduated from Cades High School. Shortly after graduation, she moved to Hemingway, SC, where she obtained her cosmetology license from Gordon's School of Cosmetology. She saved her money for her move to the big city. She moved to New Jersey and lived with her sister, Rocqual and her brother-in-law, Robert Thomas. She had various jobs throughout her life, but her greatest joy was taking care of her family, close friends, and others. While living in New York, she met the love of her life, James.

Mrs. Zenobia McKnight Blackwell leaves to cherish in her memory: her husband of 56 years, James Blackwell; three daughters, Sandra Haskett, Sylvia Blackwell, and Valarie (Defonzie) Porterfield; one son, Dewight (Crystal) Blackwell, all of Columbia, SC; four sisters, Rocqual (Robert) Thomas, of Orangeburg, SC, Hazel (Curtis) Harrell, of Wingate NC, Mary (James) Alston, of Columbia, SC, Berneatha Tanner, of Charlotte, NC; one brother, Gulie (Nora) McKnight; two sisters-in-law, Etheleen Mcknight, of Kingstree, SC, and Dorothy McKnight, of Greenville, SC; two aunts, Mary McKnight, of Florence, SC and Queen McKnight, of Lake City, SC; five grandchildren, fifteen great-grandchildren, a host of nephews, nieces, extended family members, church members, and friends, all of whom will miss her dearly.

Memories



Husband's Tribute

The moment that you died my heart was torn in two,
One side filled with heartache, the other died with you.
I often lie awake at night, when the world is fast asleep,
and take a walk down memory lane, with tears upon my cheeks.

Remembering you is easy, I do it every day,
But missing you is heartache that never goes away.
I hold you tightly within my heart and there you will remain.
~Love Your Husband, James

A Service of Remembrance

Reverend Anna Lane
Associate Minister, Gunter's Chapel Baptist Church

Prelude
Processional.....Clergy and Family
Opening Selection.....Gunter's Chapel Combined Choir
Old Testament.....Reverend James Williams
New Testament.....Mrs. Metheria Livingston
Prayer of Comfort.....Reverend Johnny Singleton
Musical Selection.....Gunter's Chapel Combined Choir
Tributes.....Mr. Marcus Dantzler, *Grandson*
Deacon Ricky Halter, *Church*
Mrs. Mary Alston and Mrs. Rocqual Thomas, *Family*
Musical Selection.....Gunter's Chapel Combined Choir
Poem.....Ms. Francis Dantzler, *Granddaughter*
Resolution.....Ms. Barbara Frierson
Musical Selection.....Gunter's Chapel Combined Choir
Words of Comfort.....Reverend Andrew Johnson
Associate Minister, Gunter's Chapel Baptist Church
Viewing.....*In the Vestibule*.....Funeral Directors
Selection
Recessional
Postlude



Committal, Benediction and Interment

Memorial Gardens of Columbia
9301 Wilson Boulevard
Columbia, South Carolina