

Mother

She has worked so long and hard
she learned to hide her pain
She has scratched and scrapped
and fought for me, so that I might gain
She has pulled my weight at times when she
could scarcely pull her own
She has held my hand at times when she
would rather be alone
She's starved while I ate and hurt for my ease
trying to give me a better life
She struggled so to pave a way
to keep me from her strife
For nine months she carried me
and on through all these years
Now knowing what she has been through
I can't hold back my tears
One night I knelt beside her
just listening to her prayer
She spoke unto the Lord
not knowing I was there
She said, Lord, hold my children
close to your side
Father, please protect them
and always be their guide
The roads of life are rough sometimes
so, I'm leaving it up to you
So, when I'm gone from them one day
your grace will see them through
She has given me a beginning
and urged me fight until the end
She said all barriers won't be broken down
but most with time give in
To me she is an angel, and I do love her so
I'd do anything for my mother
and I want her to know
Though great love has been expressed
in a million songs and rhymes
no words will voice my mother's love
not through the end of time.

Honorary Pallbearers

Deacons of Brookland Baptist Church

Pallbearers

Steven Strouble Stuart Strouble Andre Strouble
Antione Williams Evan Johnson Sharerd Armstrong

Honorary Floral Bearers

Brookland Baptist Church Missionary Society

Floral Bearers

Jacqueline Brown Marilyn Oree Betty Adams
Sandra Bell Cheryl Atkinson Yvonne George

Acknowledgement

To each and every one who has offered their words of comfort, warm memories, texts, phone calls, or visits regarding the homegoing of our beloved wife, mother, confidant, and friend, Dorothy Lou Jones Strouble, we would like to give our most sincere thanks and heartfelt appreciation. Thank you for being with us to celebrate her life and her transition home.

***As she requested, there will be no procession to the graveside.
She requested we "beat her to the cemetery!"***

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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Homegoing Service In Loving Memory of

MRS. DOROTHY LOU STROUBLE



SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 2022
1:00 P.M.

BROOKLAND BAPTIST CHURCH
1066 SUNSET BOULEVARD
WEST COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA

REVEREND DR. CHARLES B. JACKSON, SR.
-PASTOR-

Obituary

Dorothy Lou Jones Strouble was born in Prosperity, S.C., on June 16, 1938, to the late Josephus and Lucile Ruff Jones. She was preceded to heaven by her five siblings: Joe Willie, George, Chriswell, Mary, Herman, and also her eldest son, Steve Vernon.

At four years old, she moved to West Columbia with her mother, and they soon became lifelong members of Brookland Baptist Church.

Dorothy attended Lakeview School and ultimately graduated from C.A. Johnson High School. She was a civil rights activist working alongside local leaders Matthew Perry and Modjeska Simkins, with their goals starting black businesses and integrating schools. Her work extended her activism to national heights that allowed her to become a change agent outside of the borders of South Carolina. Dorothy led by example as a role model to her community and children. She courageously allowed her two eldest sons to be part of the first four black children from their community to integrate BC #1 Elementary School, in 1964. She was small, but mighty.

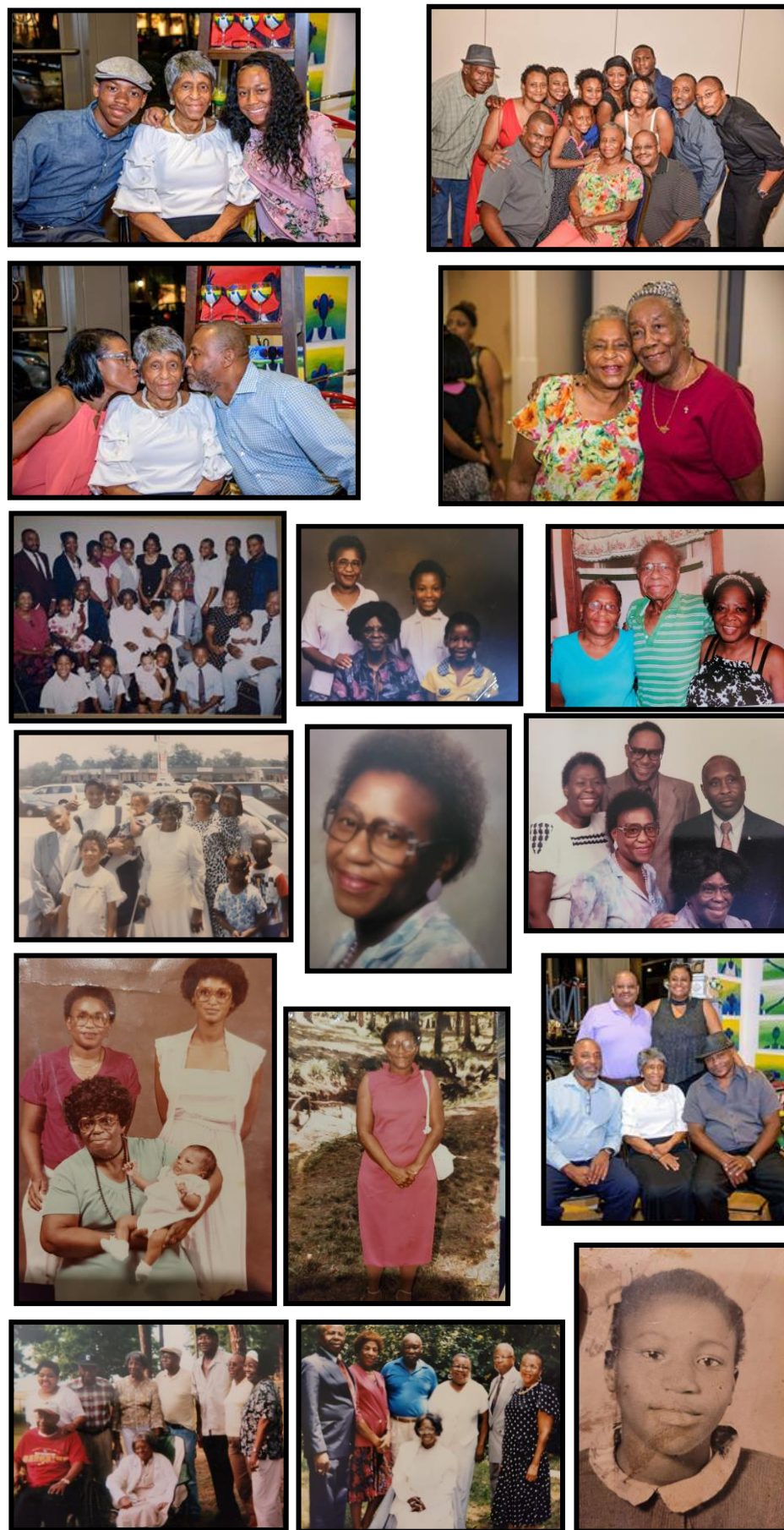
She was a woman of faith. In her 80 years of membership at Brookland Baptist, she worked tirelessly in the church through various ministries. She lived a life of service to the church and community. She exhibited a devout, loving, kind, and no-nonsense spirit. She delighted in inviting others to the Brookland experience. Of the various committees she served on, she most enjoyed chairing the Pastor's Anniversary Committee, which she performed for several years. She set the foundation for the Outreach Ministry by starting the food and clothes bank. In addition, she was also a member of the Missionary Society, and took great pride and joy in visiting and assisting the sick and shut-in. She and Mrs. Karean Holmes aided in the conception of the Banquet and Conference Center.

One of her greatest loves was singing. She sang in the choir from childhood, and was a committed member of the Senior Musical Choir and later, the Jubilee Choir.

Dorothy lived Matthew 22:37-40. Her stewardship led her to provide transportation for church members and guests to and from church services. She generously provided shelter in her home for anyone she met who needed her love and care. Dorothy truly led her life according to God's plan. She loved her family and never missed a celebration, gathering, or opportunity to spend time with them. Her hobby was fishing, and she especially enjoyed her fishing outings with her much-loved friend, Luevera Caesar.

A lifetime of wonderful memories will be forever cherished by family and friends. She leaves to celebrate her life: her husband of 67 years, Steve Strouble, Jr.; two sons, Bruce (Tina) Strouble, Sr., of Columbia, S.C. and Reginald Lamar (Tonya) Strouble, of Covington, G.A.; daughter, Lori Veronica Cook, of Columbia, S.C.; daughter-in-law, Pam Strouble, of Thomson, G.A.; brother-in-law, John (Betty Jo) Strouble, of Columbia, S.C.; sisters-in-law, Mildred Jones, of Washington, D.C., Mary Strouble, of Charleston, S.C. and Thelma Neal, of Columbia, S.C.; 13 grandchildren, Anisha (Marci) Strouble, Bruce (Quashier) Strouble Jr., Melise Cook, Steven Strouble, Brandi Johnson, Deonte Strouble, Stuart(Candice) Strouble, Sharerd Armstrong, Andre Strouble, Taryn Strouble (Elizabeth), Evan Johnson, Kirsten Strouble, and Loren Strouble; 15 great-grandchildren; niece/sister, Jacqueline Jones Brown, a host of other nieces, nephews, cousins, other loving relatives, and friends.

Memories



A Service of Remembrance

Reverend Dr. James Jamison, Presiding

Prelude.....Recorded Music and Video Presentation
 Processional
 Viewing.....Funeral Directors
 Musical Selection.....Mrs. Natalie Anderson Minor
 "Victory Is Mine"
 Old Testament.....Psalm 23.....Ms. Pamela Kinlock Strouble
 New Testament.....Revelation 21:1-4.....Ms. Marilyn Oree
 Prayer.....Deacon Otis L. Williams, Jr.
 Musical Selection.....Ms. Scharan B. Clarke and Mr. Arlington Akers
 Remarks.....Mr. Danny Strouble
 Ms. Cynthia Minus
 Deacon James M. Young
 Deacon Harry Jivers
 Ms. Luevera Caesar
 Musical Selection.....Ms. Luevera Caesar/Jubilee Choir
 "Traveling Shoes"
 Words of Comfort.....Reverend Dr. Charles B. Jackson, Sr.
 Musical Selection....."Thank God For Mother".....Mr. Bruce Strouble
 Mr. Rodney Williams and Family
 Recessional....."You Fight On".....Ms. Scharan B. Clarke
 Postlude



Committal, Benediction and Interment

Brookland Baptist Church Cemetery
411 Thompson Avenue
West Columbia, South Carolina