

Pallbearers

Grandsons

Floral Bearers

Family

I Thought of You Today

Author unknown

*I thought of you with love today,
but that is nothing new.*

*I thought about you yesterday,
and days before that too,
I think of you in silence,
I often speak your name.*

*All I have are memories
and your picture in a frame.*

*Your memory is my keepsake,
with which I'll never part.*

*God has you in His keeping,
I have you in my heart.*

Acknowledgement

We, the family of **Delores P. Odumn**, sincerely thank you for all of the kindness shown, during our time the passing of our loved one. We recognize that because of Delores' loving heart and arms reached so far that many will be left with a void in their lives. Thus, we must lean on each other for strength and comfort during the days ahead. Please continue to keep all of us in your prayers.

*Celebrating
The Life of
Mrs. Delores Pough Odumn*



*Saturday, April 22, 2023
3:00 p.m.*

*Saint John Baptist Church
3404 West Bellline Boulevard
Columbia, South Carolina*

*Reverend Dr. Jamey O. Graham, Sr.,
-Pastor-*



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Legacy of Delores Pough Odumn

“Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the Lord, shall be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates.” Proverbs 31:30-31

Our hearts are filled with sadness, but we realize that **Delores Pough Odumn** returned home to her Heavenly Father on Sunday, April 16, 2023. So today forward, we will rejoice in the life she lived, which is filled with wonderful memories from the many hearts she touched, sacrifices she made, and her unselfish work she rendered. Though she is no longer with us physically, her memories will live on through those who knew her.

Life began for **Delores Pough Odumn**, daughter of the late Josie Lee Thomas, on August 6, 1945. She was raised by her grandparents, the late Joe and Leila Salley Pough, of Orangeburg, South Carolina. She entered everlasting peace at the Houston Methodist Hospital.

Delores attended public schools in Orangeburg and Lexington Counties, respectively. She attended the University of South Carolina for two years and later completed her undergraduate studies at Grand Canyon University (GCU), in Phoenix, AZ, with a degree in Christian Studies. She also received her master’s degree in Christian Leadership from GCU, as well.

Delores joined the family of Christ, the fourth Friday of July 1965 and the presence of the LORD has been her constant companion. The words from Isaiah Chapter 6 (“...thine iniquity is taken away and thy sin purged”) were a source of strength and direction throughout her life.

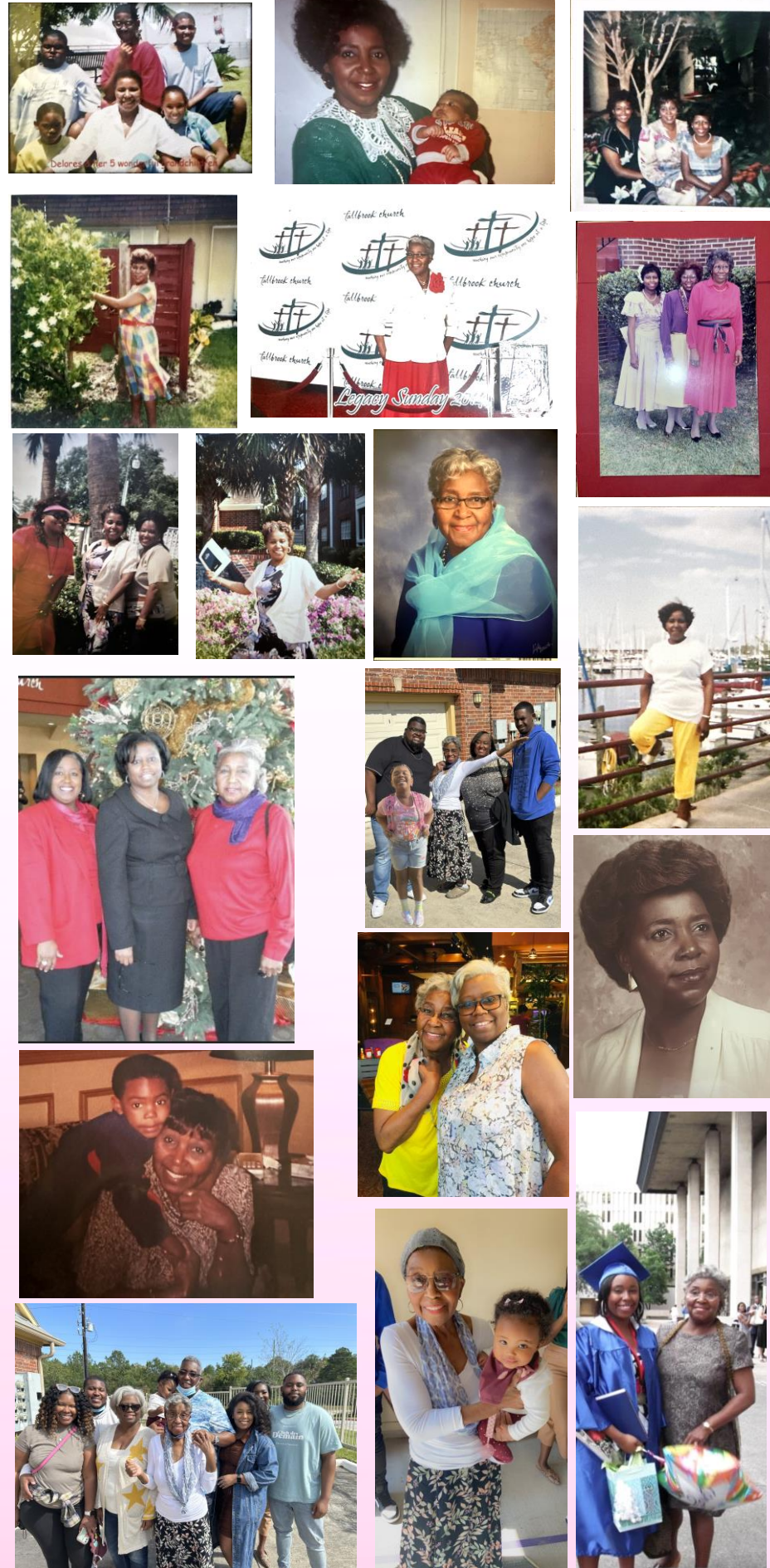
While she taught Women’s Bible Studies at Fallbrook Church in Houston, Texas and ushered at Wheeler Baptist Church in Houston Texas. **Delores** worked as a Human Resource Representative for over 20 years. She was a community volunteer, mentored at-risk youth, and was also a member of Toastmasters. **Delores** was best known for her cooking skills, which were beyond 5 stars and her sewing skills.

Delores was married to the late Samuel Odumn, who preceded her in death; one brother, James Thomas, Jr.; and sister, Gondella Thomas Hill.

She was the mother of two wonderful daughters, J. Verlinda (Joel) Brown and Day-Annette (Alphonso) Counts; one granddaughter, Alexis D. Counts (Joshua Albert); five grandsons, Joel Brown, Jr., Jarrick Brown, Tory (Erika) Brown, Alphonso (Jazmin) Counts III, and Austin Counts; three great-granddaughters, Nicolle Brown, Lyric Brown, and Charlotte Counts; two sisters, Cynthia Williams and Angela Thomas; one aunt, Learline (Samuel) Livingstson; one goddaughter, Joye Delores Fraizer; lifetime best friend, Rosa S. Hook; an awesome church family and Pastor, family, and friends.

During the later years of her life, **Delores** often remembered fondly Pastor Odell and Mrs. Sims, whose love and continuous prayers were a tremendous blessing, and her church family in South Carolina. Her hope was forward looking to join the great cloud of witnesses, as she put aside every weight and sin to run the balance of life’s race with endurance (in part – Hebrew 12:1).

Memories



Order of Service

Reverend Dr. Jamey O. Graham, Sr. Presiding

Prelude
Musical Selections

Processional
Soft Music

Opening Hymn
Musical Selection

Scriptures Reading
Old and New Testaments

Musical Selection
William Huggins, *Friend*

Prayer of Comfort
Reverend Dr. Jamey O. Graham, Sr.

Expressions of Love
Avia Latta, *Niece*
Rosa M. Hook, *Friend*
Alphonso Counts, Jr., *Son-In-Law*
Grandchildren

Musical Selection
Alphonso Counts, III, *Grandson*
Alexis Counts, *Granddaughter*

Words of Comfort
Pastor Odell Simms
Pastor, St. Peters Baptist Church

Video Presentation

Recessional

Postlude

Committal, Benediction, and Interment

10:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 25, 2023
Fort Jackson National Cemetery
4170 Percival Road
Columbia, South Carolina

