

## Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
He makes me lie down in green pastures.  
He leads me beside still waters.  
He restores my soul.  
He leads me in paths of righteousness  
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley  
of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil,  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff,  
they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD AMEN.



### Pallbearers

Family and Friends

### Floral Bearers

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### Acknowledgements

We, the family of the late Mary Etta Knowlin Johnson, wish to express our sincere gratitude for all acts of kindness extended to our family during the illness and passing of our loved one. We sincerely thank each and every one of you. Thank you for all prayers extended to her, and our family during our period of bereavement. A special thank you to her Pastor, the Reverend Dr. Charles A. DeLaughter, the Bethlehem Baptist Church Family, and the staff of Prisma Health Homecare. May God continue to bless each of you in a special way.

### Services Entrusted To:

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



Monday, May 15, 2023  
1:00 p.m.

Leevy's Funeral Home Chapel  
1831 Taylor Street  
Columbia, South Carolina

Reverend Dr. Charles A. DeLaughter  
-Officiating-

# Obituary

## of Mrs. Mary Etta Knowlin Johnson

Mrs. Mary Knowlin Johnson was born on October 10, 1941, in Marion, South Carolina. She was the youngest child of the late Herbert Knowlin, Sr. and Mary Etta Richardson Knowlin. She went home to be with the Lord on Tuesday, May 9, 2023.

Mary was educated in the public schools of Marion County, South Carolina, and graduated from Johnakin High School, class of 1959. She pursued her education by obtaining a Bachelor's Degree in Science, from Allen University, in 1963. Mary enjoyed her college life participating as a member of the Allen University Choir traveling around the East Coast.

She established her career at the South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice, as a Correctional Officer supervisor, retiring after 20 plus years of service. Mary had a passion for teaching the youth and keeping them on the right track.

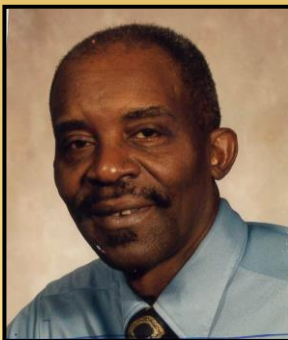
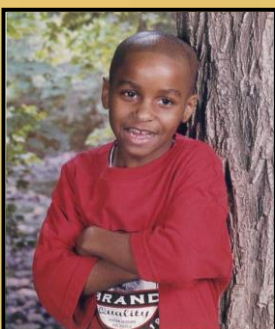
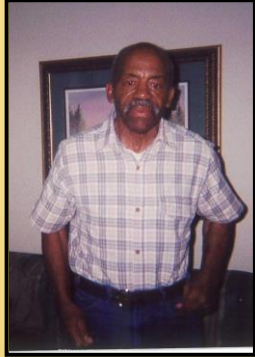
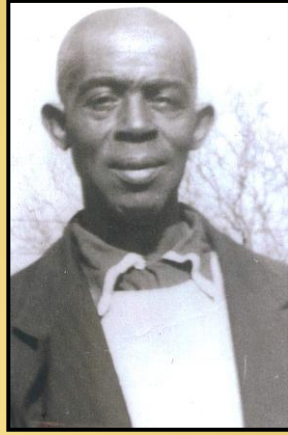
Mary was baptized at an early age, and joined the Bethlehem Baptist Church, in Columbia, South Carolina. She served as a Trustee and faithful member. Mary loved to play her keyboard, as well as listening to and singing her gospel music during her leisure time.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Mary and Herbert Knowlin; brothers, John Henry, Eddie, Herbert, Jr., Thomas, and James Knowlin; sisters, Lillie Bell Davis, and Inez Barr.

Mrs. Mary Etta Knowlin Johnson leaves to mourn her passing: her devoted son, Anthony Eugene Johnson, of Columbia, South Carolina; one grandson, Kenan Lamon Oliver, of Santee, South Carolina; brothers, David Knowlin, of Winston Salem, North Carolina and Marvin (Diane) Knowlin, of Marion, South Carolina; sister, Catherine Lester, of Marion, South Carolina; a host of nieces, nephews, great-nephews, great-nieces, many other loving relatives, and caring friends, all of whom will miss her dearly.



# Memories



# A Service of Remembrance

- Musical Prelude
- Processional
- Viewing.....Funeral Directors
- Opening Hymn.....Bethlehem Baptist Church Choir  
"Amazing Grace"
- Scriptures Reading.....Reverend Tiffany Knowlin Boykin  
Old Testament – Ecclesiastes 3:1-8  
New Testament – II Timothy 4:7-8
- Prayer.....Deacon Thomas Zeebede
- Musical Selection.....Bethlehem Baptist Church Choir
- Remarks.....Mr. Greg Knowlin  
Mr. Leon Lester, Jr.
- Poem.....Ms. Karon Rapley
- Musical Selection.....Bethlehem Baptist Church Choir
- Words of Comfort.....Reverend Dr. Charles A. DeLaughter
- Recessional....."Let The Church Say Amen"
- Postlude



# Committal, Benediction, and Interment

Crescent Hill Memorial Gardens  
2603 Two Notch Road  
Columbia, South Carolina