# Sod'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.

## Acknowledgement

We, the family of the late Shirley Jenkins Whaley, would like to thank each of you for your prayers, love, and support shown to us, during the passing of our loved one. It is our prayer that the Lord blesses each of you in a very special way.

~The Jenkins Family

## Services Entrusted To:



MRS. SHIRLEY JENKINS WHALEY

Home Going Service Celebrating the Life



FRIDAY, MAY 12, 2023 3:00 P.M.

LINCOLN CEMETERY 4900 FARROW ROAD COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA

REVEREND TALIAFERRO ROBINSON-HEYWARD
-OFFICIATING-

## Obituary of Mrs. Shirley Jenkins Whaley

Mrs. Shirley Jenkins Whaley entered her eternal rest on Saturday, May 6th, 2023, at Prisma Richland Hospital, in Columbia, South Carolina. She was born in Blackville, South Carolina, on December 10th, 1938. Shirley was one of 6 children born to the late Josephine and Melvin Jenkins.

Shirley was educated in the public schools of Wagener, SC and shortly after, she relocated to Brooklyn, New York. While residing in New York, she had 4 children with the late Accie Allen Stokes, Sr., of Brooklyn, NY. She relocated back to South Carolina and was married to the late Robert Lee Whaley.

After relocating back to the South, Shirley furthered her education at Rice Community College. She drove school buses for Richland County School District One as well as working in the medical field for many years.

Shirley accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior and was a member of St. John Baptist Church. She was a faithful and active member of the church for many years.

Shirley's greatest joy was her family. She loved to write, do crossword puzzles, shop, and watch television shows. She also loved to read her bible and spend lots of time with her granddaughter, Jennifer.

For those of you who knew Shirley, you knew that she was a sharp, classy, proud, and dignified woman. She was very intelligent and an excellent judge of character. She was always there with a listening ear or advice.

Ms. Whaley was preceded in death by her parents, Melvin and Josephine Jenkins; grandparents, Eugene and Beulah Kearse; son, Patrick Stokes and daughter, Janice Stokes; siblings, Beulah Jenkins Sumter, Leroy Jenkins, Charles Carol Jenkins, Arthur Lee Jenkins; and grandsons, Tre'Maine Antoine Seals and Christopher Terrance Stokes.

Those cherishing her fond and precious memory are her sons, Christopher Earl (Shawn) Stokes of Columbia, SC and Accie Allen (Angela) Stokes, Jr. of Baltimore, Maryland; grandchildren, Jennifer Stokes, Terrance Joseph Ellison, Juanita Seals (Adam) Buccat, Accie Omar Stokes, and Joseph Albert Gonzalez; sister, Lydia Ann Mickens; and a host of nephews, nieces, great-nephews, great-nieces, and other loving relatives and dear friends, all of whom will miss her dearly.

### Memories































## A Service of Remembrance

The Call To Worship

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Prayer	Reverend Taliaferro Robinson-Heyward
Scripture Readings	Reverend Taliaferro Robinson-Heyward
Prayer	Reverend Taliferro Robinson-Heyward
Musical Selection	Ms. Bertha McNeil
Remarks	Mr. Christopher Stokes Mr. Accie Stokes
Words of Comfort	Reverend Taliaferro Robinson-Heyward
Recessional	
Postlude	



#### Committal, Benediction, and Interment

Lincoln Cemetery 4900 Farrow Road Columbia, South Carolina

