

*In Loving Memory
We Miss You Always
Sister*

*Our hearts have been left broken
Since the day you had to go
And the memories we treasure dearly
Are in the tears that still flow*

*You're in our thoughts everyday
And that's how it will always be
For you may be up in Heaven now
But you'll always be with us*

*If only we could have the chance
To see your face once more
Or to hear your voice one final time
Just like it was before*

*The day that Heaven calls for us
Will be a relief from all this pain
We'll run to you with open arms
And we will meet again*

Judy, Loretta, Debra, Rosa, Marilyn

Pallbearers

Nephews
Wagener-Salley Class of 1972
South Carolina State Class of 1976

Floral Bearers

Nieces
Wagener-Salley Class of 1972
South Carolina State Class of 1976

With Sincere Appreciation

We, the family of Ms. Diane Kitchings Buckson, appreciate your acts of kindness, your prayers, and your words of consolation during Diane's illness and passing. We ask for your continued prayers and support knowing that the Lord will be by our sides. May God Bestow a Special Blessing Upon Each of You.

A sincere appreciation to Dr. Merritt and the Team at SC Oncology and MSA Hospice.

Repast

Saron Baptist Church

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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*A Celebration of Life
In Loving Memory
of
Ms. Diane Kitchings Buckson*



*Sunrise
September 23, 1954*

*Sunset
June 6, 2023*

Saturday, June 10, 2023

11:00 a.m.

*Saron Baptist Church
352 Railroad Avenue
Wagener, South Carolina*

*Pastor Leander Jones, Presiding
Pastor Herman Bing, Eulogist*



Obituary
"Her Life's Journey"

Diane Kitchings Buckson, beloved and respected by family, friends, and all whose lives crossed hers, began her life's journey on September 23, 1954, in Aiken County, South Carolina. She was born to L.J. and Pearlean McCullough Kitchings. After several years of illness, she transitioned from life peacefully, on Tuesday, June 6, 2023, as she did everything in life...her and God's terms. To the very end, she was a spicy, determined, kind, and loving force to be reckoned with.

Diane's spiritual and religious development started at an early age; she was baptized and joined Saron Baptist Church, where she served faithfully. She was a member of the Pastor Support Ministry and the Education Ministry.

Diane was educated in the public schools of Aiken County, South Carolina. She was a proud graduate of Wagener-Salley High School, Class of 1972. She continued her education at South Carolina State College, Orangeburg, South Carolina, where she received her bachelor's degree, Class of 1976.

She secured a job with Bellsouth (AT&T), Columbia, South Carolina. She held various management positions for many years, finally retiring after forty (40) years of service.

Diane loved spending time with family and friends. She, also known as "**Gigi**," especially loved spending precious time with her grandson, Dallas. Just like her mother, she had a gift for growing beautiful flowers. Almost daily, she could be seen working tirelessly in her yard. Numerous times, she received the neighborhood's "Most Beautiful Yard of the Month" Award.

She was preceded in death by: her parents, L.J. and Pearlean McCullough Kitchings; and two brothers, Alvin and Elonzo Kitchings.

Diane fought a good fight, finished the course, kept the faith and is now receiving her reward. Left to cherish her memory are: a devoted son, Ryan Romero Buckson, II, Columbia, South Carolina; one precious grandson, Dallas Christian Buckson, Columbia, South Carolina; four sisters, Judy Johnson, of Aiken, South Carolina, Loretta (Herman) Bing, of North Augusta, South Carolina, Debra (Randy) Kitchings, of Irmo, South Carolina, and Rosa (Earl) Jones, of Grovetown, Georgia; a sister-by-heart, (Ryan's Godmother), Marilyn Keenan, of Columbia, South Carolina; three brothers, Perrie (JoAn) Kitchings, Lewis (Brenda) Kitchings, and Allen Kitchings, all of Wagener, South Carolina; a sister-in-law, Janice James Kitchings, of Wagener, South Carolina; a host of loving and caring nieces, nephews, cousins, a special lifelong friend, affectionately known as **Mr.**, a long list of other caring friends, and acquaintances, all whom will miss her dearly.

Memories



A Service of Remembrance

Reverend Leander Jones, Presiding
Pastor, Saron Baptist Church

- Musical Prelude Ms. Evangeline Petress
- Processional
- Instrumental Selection
- The Reading of the Word
 - Old Testament – Reverend Arthur Smith
 - New Testament – Reverend Blanche Wymberly
- Prayer of Comfort Pastor Otis Kitchings
- Instrumental Selection
- Words of Comfort Reverend Herman Bing
Pastor, Carpentersville, B. C., North Augusta, SC
- Instrumental Selection
- Recessional
- Postlude



Committal, Benediction and Interment

Swedenburg-Gunter Cemetery
Wagener, South Carolina

