

## Honorary Pallbearers

Brian Middleton

Joi Brown

## Pallbearers

James Lipscomb, Jr.  
Brian Lipscomb

Kevin Lipscomb  
Elyjah Lipscomb

Ernest Lipscomb  
Jaylen Lipscomb

## Floral Bearers

Family and Friends

## *I'm Free*

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God has laid you see.  
I took His hand when I heard His call  
I turned my back and left it all.  
I could not stay another day  
To laugh, to love, to work, or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way  
I found the peace at the close of the day.  
If my parting has left a void  
Then fill it with remembered joys  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss  
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full, I savored much,  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your heart, and peace to thee-  
God wanted me now; He has set me free.

## 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-

## Homegoing Celebration

for

# Mrs. Ernestine Davis-Johnakin



Friday, September 8, 2023

11:00 a.m.

Leevy's Funeral Home Chapel

1831 Taylor Street  
Columbia, South Carolina

Reverend Dr. Stanley R. Ladson, Sr.  
- Officiating -

## Obituary

Mrs. Ernestine Theresa Davis-Johnakin was born on October 28, 1953 in Washington, D.C. She was the daughter of the late Rosa Mable Davis-McLeod and Ernest Thomas Davis, Sr. She departed this life on earth unexpectedly on Monday, August 28, 2023, after a short illness.

She was educated in the public school systems of Washington, D.C. and graduated from Calvin Coolidge Senior High School. She worked in the D.C. Government Sector before retiring in 1991. She relocated to Columbia, South Carolina in October 1991 from Washington, D.C., and lived the rest of her life here. During this time, she worked for the State of South Carolina, from which she retired in November 2013. At the time of her passing, she was employed at Publix.

Ernestine Johnakin enjoyed many favorite past times in life. She loved joking with people, listening to music, spending time with her grandchildren, going on trips with her older sister, giving away extra stuff she had in the house, and cooking up her mama's recipes when the holidays came around. She stayed abreast of her favorite soap opera, General Hospital, and always found a way to make sure she was able to see it. She was "Momma" to many surrogate sons and daughters, and all only knew her lovingly as "Teena." She loved talking to her Publix customers and making sure their orders were just right. She was loved for that. She loved her family and keeping up with what was going on with them. She was especially excited about being a great grandma.

She was preceded in death by: her mother, Rosa Mable Davis-McLeod; father, Ernest Thomas Davis, Sr.; sister, Betty Jean Davis; her brothers, Kenneth "Kenny" Allan Davis, Sr. and Harold "Eddie" Baltimore; her husband, Alonzo Johnakin.

Mrs. Ernestine Theresa Davis-Johnakin leaves to mourn her passing: children, Kevin (Tamika) Lipscomb, of Midland, Georgia, Keesha (Richard) Scott, of Reading, Pennsylvania, Ernest Lipscomb (Yvonne Winn), and Brian (Tarneshia) Lipscomb, both of Columbia, South Carolina; bonus daughter, Brenda Boston, of Florence, South Carolina; ten grandchildren, Ashlee Scott, Rashad Lipscomb, Devin Lipscomb, Elyjah Lipscomb, Alliyah Rivers-Lipscomb, Taliyah Lipscomb, Jaylen Lipscomb, Victoria Lipscomb, Brittny Boston, and Robeir Boston; four great-grandchildren, Andrew Rivers, Luna Aponte-Scott, Luca Aponte-Scott, and Braylon Boston; one sister, Lorraine Patricia Davis-McNeil; one brother, Ernest Thomas Davis II; a host of other loving relatives, and caring friends, all of whom will miss her dearly.

## Order of Service

Prelude	
Processional.....	"Silhouette" <i>Recording by: Kenny G</i>
Viewing.....	Funeral Directors
Opening Selection.....	"Take Me To The King" <i>Recording by: Tamela Mann</i>
Old Testament.....	Ecclesiastes 3:1-4
New Testament.....	1 Thessalonians 4:13-14
Prayer.....	Reverend Stanley R. Ladson, Sr.
Selection.....	"Missing You" <i>Recording by: Brandy, Tamia, Gladys Knight, and Chaka Khan</i>
Poem.....	"I'm Free"
Selection.....	"A Song For Momma" <i>Recording by: Boyz II Men</i>
Words of Comfort.....	Reverend Stanley R. Ladson, Sr.
Recessional.....	"Jesus Is Love"
Postlude	



## Committal, Benediction and Interment

Memorial Gardens of Columbia  
9301 Wilson Boulevard  
Columbia, South Carolina

## Acknowledgement

We, the family of Mrs. Ernestine Theresa Davis-Johnakin, would like to thank each of you for the many acts of kindness expressed to us, during the passing of our loved one. May God bless each of you with His grace and mercy.