

## God'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.

## Pallbearers

Vincent Ferguson  
Jonathan Ferguson

Sean Robinson  
JaySean Robinson

JayVon Robinson

## Floral Bearers

Nieces and Friends

## Acknowledgement

We, the family of Mrs. Mary L. Stevens Ferguson, would like to acknowledge our deep appreciation for the many acts of kindness shown and encouraging words expressed during this hour of bereavement. Your concerns, devotion, and prayers have brought comfort to our hearts and has strengthened our spirits. Thank you and may God bless each of you and yours. A special thank you to Life Care Center of Columbia, SC, Prisma Health Baptist Hospital, the Townsend and Copper Families, and Leevy's Funeral Home.

## Repast

1112 Killian Loop  
Columbia, South Carolina

## 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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IN LOVING  
Memory



Mrs. Mary L. Stevens Ferguson



Thursday, December 14, 2023

1:00 p.m.

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

Reverend Eddie Lee Mayes  
- Officiating -

*Obituary*  
*of*  
*Mrs. Mary L. Stevens Ferguson*

Mrs. Mary L. Stevens Ferguson was born on (April 27) May 1, 1929, in Columbia, South Carolina to the late Samuel Stevens and Emily Outen Stevens. She departed this earthly life on Thursday, December 7, 2023.

Mary was educated in the public schools of Richland County. She was employed for many years with Woolworth and McCrory's in Downtown Columbia. After retirement, she was employed with WJS Building Services for many years.

She was joined in holy matrimony to Mr. Lawton Ferguson and to this union two children were born. Mary was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She was loved by all who knew her.

In addition to her parents, Mary was preceded in death by her husband, Lawton Ferguson; sisters, Alice Stevens Anderson, Geneva Stevens Pugh, Thelma Stevens Trapp, Edna Stevens Barr, and Frances Stevens Riley; and one brother, Willie Stevens.

Mrs. Mary L. Stevens Ferguson leaves to cherish her precious memory: her daughters, Patricia Ann Ferguson and Pauline Ferguson, both of Columbia, South Carolina; three grandchildren, Jennifer J. Brown, Vincent L. Ferguson, both of Columbia, South Carolina, and Jonathan Ferguson, of Asheville, North Carolina; four great-grandchildren, Jayda Quick, A'Kaila Belton-Ferguson, JaySean Robinson, and JayVon Robinson, all of Columbia, South Carolina; one brother-in-law, James Pugh, of Columbia, South Carolina; one sister-in-law, Frances Stevens, of Blythewood, South Carolina; a host of nieces, nephews, other loving relatives, and caring friends, all of whom will miss her dearly.

*Memories*



*A Service of Remembrance*

- Prelude
- Processional
- Viewing.....Funeral Directors
- Opening Hymn.....Musician
- Scriptures Reading.....Mr. Q. Emanuel Reeves  
Old Testament – Lamentations 3:22-26  
New Testament – Romans 8:1-6
- Prayer.....Reverend Betty Morris
- Solo.....Reverend Betty Morris
- Poem.....Mrs. A'Kaila Belton Ferguson
- Remarks.....Ms. Ann Stokes/Ms. Carolyn Lewis  
Ms. Pauline Ferguson  
Deacon Terry Scott
- Solo.....Mr. Q. Emanuel Reeves
- Words of Comfort.....Reverend Eddie Lee Mayes
- Recessional
- Postlude



*Committal, Benediction, and Interment*

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