Proverb 31:10-31

Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil.

She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life.

She seeketh wool, and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands.

She is like the merchants' ships; she bringeth her food from afar.

She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth meat to her household, and a portion to her maidens.

She considereth a field, and buyeth it: with the fruit of her hands she planteth a vineyard.

She girdeth her loins with strength, and strengtheneth her arms. She perceiveth that her merchandise is good: her candle goeth not out by night.

She layeth her hands to the spindle, and her hands hold the distaff. She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy.

She is not afraid of the snow for her household: for all her household are clothed with scarlet.

She maketh herself coverings of tapestry; her clothing is silk and purple. Her husband is known in the gates, when he sitteth among the elders of the land.

She maketh fine linen, and selleth it; and delivereth girdles unto the merchant.

Strength and honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come. She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness.

She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness.

Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her.

Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all. Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the LORD, she shall be praised.

Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates.

Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Floral Bearers

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<u>Acknowledgement</u>

We, the family of the Mrs. Andrena Jones Taylor, wish to acknowledge and thank everyone for the many kindnesses and courtesies shown to us during this time. Your prayers and other expressions of sympathy have been a blessing to us. May God bless each of you and keep you in his care.

Services Entrusted To:



A Celebration of Life In Loving Memory of Mrs. Andrena Jones Taylor



Monday, January 8, 2024 11:00 a.m.

Northminster Presbyterian Church 6717 David Street Columbia, South Carolina

Reverend Dr. Lawrence Willis
-Pastor-

Obituary of Mrs. Andrena Jones Taylor

With a heavy heart, we announce the passing of Andrena Jones Taylor, who departed from this world on December 27, 2023. She was 96 years old. Andrena Jones Taylor was born March 4, 1927, in the rural area of Lexington County known as Kinsler, South Carolina. She was the youngest of eight children of Urgin and Clarissa Jones. Andrena began her early educational career in a one-room schoolhouse and transferred to Cayce Grammar School for grades three through six, after which her parents enrolled her in Harbison A & Camp; I Institute in Irmo. She graduated from Mather Academy in Camden, earned a bachelor's in elementary education from Benedict College, and a master's from South Carolina State University. Mrs. Taylor faithfully taught in the Richland District One Public School System for thirty-two years before retiring in 1989.

She was a member of The South Carolina Education Association (SCEA). She served two terms as president of the SCEA-Retired Association. She was also a member of the Richland County Education, a lifetime member of the National Education Association, and the Silver Hair Legislature. Her colleagues have stated that she was an outstanding advocate and well-known at the Statehouse by legislators for her advocacy work related to retired educators and public education in South Carolina.

She served as the Vice-President of the Palmetto Gold Star Wives. She was recognized as Senior of the Day by former Lieutenant Governor Andre Bauer and the late Senator John Scott.

Andrena will be remembered for her generosity, love of travel, and unforgettable recipes and cooking skills. She was an avid bridge player and active in her church as a faithful member of Northminster Presbyterian Church, where she has served as an elder, as a church-school teacher, and in the Presbyterian Women #39;s Choir. She touched the lives of her family, friends, and colleagues profoundly.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Sgt. Johnnie Lee Taylor, her sons, Ralph Alphonso Jefferson and John Gregory Taylor.

Gone but never forgotten, Mrs. Andrena Ann Taylor leaves the following family members to cherish her loving memory: her granddaughters, Maya Allen-Neely, of Covington, GA, Jamella Arlette Linnen, of Clute, TX, Lisa Ellis Hall, of Jeffersonville, Indiana, Jericka Shenise Taylor, of Mt. Vernon, AL, and Kennedy Clarice Taylor, of Columbia, SC; her grandsons, Reverend Cedric Eugene (Vickie) Allen, of Waukegan, IL and Dr. Jamal Malik (Avionna) Jefferson, of San Francisco, CA; her great-grandsons, Amir Lawrence Neely, of Covington, GA and Carter Mason Barnes, of Mt. Vernon, AL; her great-granddaughter, Charlee Grace Taylor, of Mt. Vernon, AL; a host of nieces, nephews, other loving family, and caring friends, all of whom will miss her dearly. The matriarch of her family will be missed, but her legacy continues.

Memories

















A Service of Remembrance

Reverend Dr. Lawrence L. Willis, Officiant

Musical Prelude
The ProcessionalFuneral Directors
The Call to Worship
Call to Confession
The Congregational Hymn"Great is Thy Faithfulness PH#276
The Scripture Readings
Old TestamentPsalm 23
New TestamentEphesians 1:1-10
The Prayer of ComfortElder Dr. Phyllis Sanders
Reading of the Obituary(Silent Quiet Music)
Words of Reflection (Two Minutes)Elder Tami Richardson Dr. Jamal Jefferson
The Inspirational Selection
The Eulogy
Affirmation of FaithPH – 14
Commendation and Blessing
The RecessionalSoon and Very SoonSoZ #198



Committal, Benediction, and Interment

1:00 p.m.

Fort Jackson National Cemetery
4170 Percival Road
Columbia, South Carolina