

## 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.

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*Graveside Services  
In Loving Memory  
of  
Mrs. Margaret McCullough  
Johnson-Blakeley*



*Tuesday, August 6, 2024*

*11:00 a.m.*

*Crescent Hill Memorial Gardens*

*2603 Two Mutch Road  
Columbia, South Carolina*

*Pastor Johnny Donald  
-Officiating-*

## *Obituary*

Mrs. Margaret McCullough Johnson-Blakeley, daughter of the late Hazel and Ellen McCullough, was born June 12, 1917, in the Waverly Community of Richland County, Columbia South Carolina. She ascended into eternal life on Monday, July 29, 2024.

Mrs. Blakeley was educated in the public schools of Columbia, South Carolina and graduated from Booker T. Washington High School, Class of 1934. After graduating, she attended Benedict College in Columbia, South Carolina. She was a member of Second Calvary Baptist, where she joined in early childhood.

Margaret held several jobs in the Columbia area in her very early years. She worked in a hair salon, worked as cashier at the historic Carver Theater on Harden Street, the downtown Belk Department Store, Berry's on Main Department Store, and retired as a Bookkeeper/Secretary from the formerly known historic black owned, Victory Savings Bank. Margaret helped establish and assisted her late son with the operations of the Metropolitan Funeral Services formerly affiliated with Greater Columbia Funeral Services.

Margaret took pleasure in cooking, inviting and hosting dinners for family, friends, and the funeral home staff in her home. She also enjoyed talking on the phone, flower gardening, playing the piano, crossword puzzles, and reading.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William Blakeley; son, Alvin Wescott Johnson; daughter, Margaret Ann Mack; sister, Rose McCullough Bookhart; brothers, Ralph McCullough and Larkin William "LW" McCullough.

Her survivors are Charles Harris Johnson, grandson; Alicia Johnson, granddaughter; niece, Andrewlette Thompson, of Jessup, MD., (her niece's children and grandchildren); son-in-law, Roy Mack, of Anderson, SC; stepchildren, cousins, and friends.

## *Order of Service*

The Call to Worship

Prayer.....Minister Willette Donald

Old and New Testaments.....Pastor Johnny Donald

Solo .....“It Is Well”.....Minister Willette Donald

Remarks.....Ms. Janice Dinkins, Family  
Friends of the Family

Words of Comfort.....Pastor Johnny Donald

Recessional

Postlude



## *Committal, Benediction and Interment*

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

## *Acknowledgement*

We, the family of Mrs. Maragaret McCullough Johnson-Blakeley would like to give a special thanks to those of you who took the time to visit, during Mrs. Blakeley's numerous years of extended residence at Pruitt Health, Forest Dr. Words cannot express the sincere appreciation for the care, love, and friendships, provide by the staff of Pruitt Health. May God bless each of you!

