

When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

*When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not here to see,
If the sun should rise and find your eyes, filled with tears for me.*

*I wish so much you wouldn't cry the way you did today,
while thinking of the many things we didn't get to say.*

*I know how much you love me, as much as I love you,
and each time you think of me, I know you'll miss me too.*

*When tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand
That an angel came and called my name and took me by the hand*

*The angel said my place was ready in heaven far above
And that I'd have to leave behind all those I dearly love.*

*But when I walked through Heaven's gate, I felt so much at home
When God looked down and smiled at me from His great golden
throne.*

*He said, "This is eternity and all I've promised you."
Today my life on earth is past, but here it starts anew*

*I promise no tomorrow but today will always last
And since each day's the same day, there's no longing for the past.*

*So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart,
For every time, you think of me, I'm right there in your heart.*

Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Floral Bearers

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Acknowledgement

We, the family of Ms. Sarah Kate Furgess, would like to thank each of you for your prayers and support shown to us during the passing of our loved one. It is our prayer that the Lord blesses each of you in a very special way.

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In Loving Memory of Ms. Sarah Kate Furgess



Saturday, September 7, 2024

12:00 Noon

Antioch Baptist Church

*5715 Keen Road
Columbia, South Carolina*

*Reverend Byron A. Dixon
-Pastor-*

Obituary of Ms. Sarah Kate Furgess

Ms. Sarah Kate Furgess was born on March 3, 1941, in Columbia, South Carolina. She was the beloved daughter of the late Curtis Furgess, Sr. and the late Josephine Neal Furgess. Sarah was the fourteenth of fifteen children born to this wonderful family. Sarah departed this life on Thursday, August 29, 2024.

Sarah attended Waverly Elementary School, and was a proud graduate of C.A. Johnson High School, Class of 1959. After graduating from C.A. Johnson, Sarah attended Benedict College, graduating in 1963 and earned a bachelor's degree in education with a specialization in mathematics. During her first year as a student at Benedict College, Sarah was elected Miss Freshman.

After graduating from Benedict College, she taught high school mathematics for several years in the state of Georgia before returning to Columbia and accepting a job at Hood Street Elementary School at Fort Jackson. While working full-time at Hood Street Elementary, she earned her master's degree in elementary education from the University of South Carolina. Sarah was a very creative educator, who loved helping her students enjoy learning. She loved her co-workers and maintained friendships long after retirement. Sarah retired from Hood Street Elementary School after 40 years of service. When Sarah retired in June of 2003, the City of Columbia, honored her with Sarah K. Furgess Day.

Sarah was an active member of Antioch Baptist Church for more than 40 years. While at Antioch, she served on many committees, projects, and activities. She especially enjoyed working with activities that involved the younger members of the church and community. You could often find Sarah bringing young people from her neighborhood to participate in Vacation Bible School and other youth-related activities when possible. She also taught Sunday School for over 20 years and was an active member of the Antioch Women's Auxiliary and the Missionary Society.

Sarah was preceded in death by her special friend, Alphonzo Edmunds.

Ms. Sarah Kate Furgess leaves to mourn her passing her loving and dedicated daughter, Sylvia Furgess, of Columbia, SC; son, Robin (Danielle) Furgess, of Annapolis, MD; grandson, Rykeem Furgess, of Columbia, SC; two sisters, Hattie F. Outlaw, of Waynesboro, GA and Norma F. Myers, of Columbia, SC; brother, John V. Furgess (Alexzena) of Columbia, SC; sister-in-law, Delores Furgess, of Columbia, SC; goddaughter, Makeba Myers, of Baltimore, MD; godson, Bobby Bynes II, of Augusta, Ga; two very dear friends, Yvonne Redd Martin and Dr. Ezell Pittman; a host of nieces, nephews, many other loving relatives, and friends, all of whom will miss her dearly.

Memories



A Service of Remembrance

Reverend Byron A. Dixon, Presiding

- Prelude.....“Near The Cross”
- Processional.....“I Shall Wear A Crown”
- Hymn of Praise.....Antioch Baptist Church Senior Musical Choir
“Glory, Glory, Hallelujah”
- Old Testament.....Reverend Roosevelt Edmunds
- New Testament.....Reverend BJ Jones
- Prayer of Comfort.....Reverend Wanda Furgess Blanding, Niece
- Musical Selection.....Mr. Ronald Cooper, Nephew
- Reflections.....Deacon Robert Currie
Senator Tameika Isaac Devine, Niece
Deacon Ronnie Arnold, Sr.
- Solo.....Mrs. Barbara Outlaw Bynes, Niece
- Church Resolution.....Mrs. Jennifer Jones
- Solo.....Ms. Willie Ann Harris
- Words of Comfort.....Reverend Dr. A.A. Neal
- Recessional.....“Going Up Yonder”
“I’ll Fly Away”
- Postlude



Committal, Benediction and Interment

Greenlawn Memorial Gardens
7100 Garners Ferry Road
Columbia, South Carolina