Obituary

Mrs. Harriet McMillan Perkins was born January 1, 1944, in Columbia, South Carolina. She was the youngest daughter born to the late Sammie McMillan and Annie Mae McDaniel McMillan. On Thursday, October 30, 2024, she departed this earthly life at the Prisma Health Richland Hospital in Columbia, South Carolina.

Mrs. Perkins was a proud graduate of C. A. Johnson High School, Class of 1962, and Benedict College, Class of 1966. She worked for 41 years as an elementary school physical education teacher and science teacher, in Richland County School District One. She grew up in Allen-Benedict Court and lived in the Trezevant Neighborhood, where she proudly served her community.

Mrs. Perkins was a member of First Calvary Baptist Church, the Benedict College Columbia Alumni Club # 1, the C. A. Johnson Alumni Club, RCEA-R, and Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. She was also a board member of the Benedict -Allen Community Development Corporation, where she served for 23 years, and she was inducted into the Columbia Housing Authority's "Wall of Fame," in April 2008. She was also inducted into the C. A. Johnson High School "Wall of Fame," in 2022.

Mrs. Perkins loved the Lord. She leaves to mourn her passing and to cherish her precious memory: her daughter, Natalie Lynn, whom she loved and adored; her loving sister, Mary A. McMillan; her loving niece, Sydney McMillan; her nephews, John Ryan Rhodes and Todd Anthony Rhodes; grandnephews (twins), Cory and Christopher McMillan; a host of other loving relatives, friends, students, and neighbors, all of whom she cherished, and they will miss her dearly.

Memories

















Order of Service

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Processional
Opening Hymn Mrs. Mazie Lewis "Blessed Assurance"
Scriptures
Prayer Reverend Ellis White, Jr.
Remarks
Words of Comfort Reverend Ellis White, Jr.
Selection
Committal and Benediction
Recessional
Postlude





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.

Harriet Perkins

As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you.
Now remain in my love.

-John 15: 9

<u> Acknowledgement</u>

We, the family of Mrs. Harriet McMillan Perkins, would like to thank each of you for your prayers and the support shown to us during the passing of our loved one. May the Lord bless each of you.



H Service of Remembrance Celebrating the Life

Mrs. Harriet McMillan Perkins



Thursday, November 7, 2024

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

Reverend Ellis White, Jr.
- Officiating-