

Obituary

Mrs. Girline Ellison-Goodwin was born on October 17, 1930, in Eastover, South Carolina. She was the daughter of the late Everlena Hall and Rivers Ellison. She was reared by Rivers and Catherine Mitchell Ellison. She departed this earthly life to join her Heavenly Father with her daughter by her side on Tuesday, December 24, 2024.

Girline accepted Christ at an early age, and was baptized at Mount Zion Baptist Church, in Eastover, South Carolina, where she remained a member her entire life. Girline frequently attended St. Thomas Episcopal Church with her children.

She was educated in the public schools of Richland County, South Carolina. Girline stressed the value of education to her children and family. She prayed daily for her children to be educated. Girline was a great cook and was known by many for her great layered pineapple cake.

Born in the 1930s, her life was not easy, but she worked hard. She achieved success from mule and wagon to learning to drive in her late 50s. Girline lived a very peaceful, humble, and gracious lifestyle.

Girline was joined in holy matrimony in 1949 to Small Goodwin.

Mrs. Goodwin worked various jobs throughout her life. She was formerly employed by the Shoolbred Family of Eastover, South Carolina, Columbia Hospital Linen, and Pacific Mills, before retiring from the University of South Carolina's maintenance department.

Mrs. Girline Ellison-Goodwin leaves to mourn her passing, two daughters, Loretta Goodwin, of Washington, DC and Alberta Goodwin Howard of Columbia, SC; her only grandchild, Jamar Allen Howard, of Washington, DC; one sister, Geneva Ellison Jones; a host of nieces, nephews, other loving relatives, and caring friends, all of whom will miss her dearly.

Memories



Order of Service

- Prelude
- Processional
- Opening Hymn.....Mount Zion Baptist Church Choir
- Old Testament.....Minister
- New Testament.....Minister
- Prayer.....Minister
- Selection.....Mount Zion Baptist Church Choir
- Remarks.....A Family Member
- Poem..... *The Negro Mother*
- Selection.....Mount Zion Baptist Church Choir
- Words of Comfort.....Reverend Sherman McBeth
- Viewing.....Funeral Directors
- Recessional
- Postlude



Committal, Benediction and Interment

St. Thomas Episcopal Church Cemetery
115 Yelton Lane
Eastover, South Carolina



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

Nephews

Floral Bearers

Family and Friends

Acknowledgement

We, the family of Mrs. Girline Ellison-Goodwin, 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.

Homegoing Celebration for Mrs. Girline Ellison-Goodwin



Friday, January 3, 2024
12:00 Noon

Mount Zion Baptist Church
128 Mount Zion Road
Eastover, South Carolina

Reverend Sherman McBeth
-Pastor-

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