

Pallbearers and Floral Bearers

Family and Friends

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.*

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In
Loving Memory



Ms. Virginia Portee

Tuesday, January 13, 2026

1:00 p.m.

Leevy's Funeral Home Chapel

1831 Taylor Street

Columbia, South Carolina

Reverend Dr. Stanley R. Ladson, Sr.

-Officiating

Obituary of Ms. Virginia Portee

Ms. Virginia Portee was born June 18, 1950, in Columbia, South Carolina. She was the beloved daughter of the late Simon Portee and Pauline Brennan Portee.

After a courageous battle with cancer, Ms. Portee departed this life on January 5, 2026. She was surrounded by her daughter, family, and loved ones.

Ms. Portee was educated in the public schools of Richland County, South Carolina. After high school, Ms. Portee later became employed in the medical field, where she dedicated her time to caring for others. In her leisure time, she found great joy in fishing and shopping at thrift stores, past times that brought her peace and happiness.

In addition to her parents, Ms. Portee was preceded in death by her brothers, Larry Portee, Paul Albert Portee, Gilbert Portee, and Timothy Portee; her brother-in-law, Scott Woods; and her niece, Elizabeth Portee.

Ms. Virginia Portee leaves to cherish her memory: her only child, Tammy Portee Jones; a special friend, Ricky Butler; her husband, Howard Albert; her siblings, Simon (Thomasina) Portee, Jr. of Elgin, South Carolina, Bernice Summers of Columbia, South Carolina, Jean (Nathaniel) Pearson of Elgin, South Carolina, Venise (Eric) Davis of Columbia, South Carolina, Connie Portee-Woods, of Columbia, South Carolina, John Henry (Brenda) Portee of Columbia, South Carolina, and David Portee of Kansas City, Missouri; her aunt, Mary Butler of Hempstead, New York; brothers-in-law, Larry Butler, Michael Butler; sister-in-law, Tampson Portee, all of Columbia, South Carolina; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends, all of whom will miss her dearly.

Order of Service

Prelude

Processional

Viewing.....Funeral Directors

Opening Hymn.....“Amazing Grace”
Recording by: Aretha Franklin

Scripture Readings.....Reverend Dr. Stanley R. Ladson, Sr.

Prayer.....Reverend Dr. Stanley R. Ladson, Sr.

Selection.....“Goodness of God”
Recording by: CeCe Winans

Remarks.....A Family Member
A Friend

Selection.....“Waymaker”
Recording by: Sinach

Words of Comfort.....Reverend Dr. Stanley R. Ladson, Sr.

Recessional

Postlude



Committal, Benediction and Interment

Lincoln Cemetery
4900 Farrow Road
Columbia, South Carolina

Acknowledgement

We, the family of Ms. Virginia Portee, wish to express our sincere appreciation for all acts of kindness shown during our time of bereavement. We are deeply grateful for the prayers, calls, visits, flowers, food, and every expression of love and support. Your compassion and thoughtfulness have brought us comfort and strength, and they will always be remembered. May God bless each of you.