

In Loving Memory of
Shirley Elizabeth Simmons



Sunrise: January 14, 1929

Sunset: October 21, 2017

Service

Saturday, November 4, 2017 - 2:00 p.m.

GARDEN OF PRAYER HOLINESS CHURCH

2537 Highway 17 North • Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina

Minister Edward Jefferson, Pastor

Bishop Alfred Jefferson, Officiating

Remembering Shirley

Ms. Shirley Elizabeth Simmons was born in Charleston, South Carolina on January 14th, 1929 to the late Alice and Henry Simmons. Shirley was the third in line of four loving and close-knit siblings; the late Margaret Simmons, the late Henry "Brother" Simmons, and Marylee Simmons.

As an adolescent, she attended school in the County of Beaufort, SC and took interest in the violin. After graduating from Mather Boarding School, she later moved to New York to pursue a career in health care.

In September of 1951, Shirley gave birth to her beloved only son, Dwayne Simmons. In 1956, she met and married the late James Cephus of Charleston, SC.

Shirley was employed by Metropolitan Hospital of New York City as an OBGYN Technician. In 1990, after many years of service, Shirley retired and became active in church, her senior club and traveled.

Shirley's loving memory will forever be cherished by: her son, Dwayne Simmons of NY; daughter-in-law, Janet Simmons of NY; granddaughters, Dwaneise Simmons and Mikhele Simmons of NY; her sister, Marylee Mitchell; brother-in-law, Julius Mitchell, devoted cousin, London "Bootsie" McKnight; nephews, Louis Palmer, Lawrence Palmer, David Warff and Derryl Mitchell; nieces, Blondell Palmer, Denise Simmons, Jeannine Lewis and April Palmer; and a host of relatives and friends.

At the time of her passing Shirley Simmons Cephus was 88 years old.

Whether alive or dead, we belong to the Lord. - Romans 14:7-9. 10-1

Humbly Submitted,
By her family

Order of Service

Processional

Prayer Hymn....."Precious Lord"

Prayer

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalm 23:1-5

New Testament - Romans 8:35-39

Selection.....Choir

Acknowledgement

Obituary Reading

Word of Expression.....Oliver Rivers

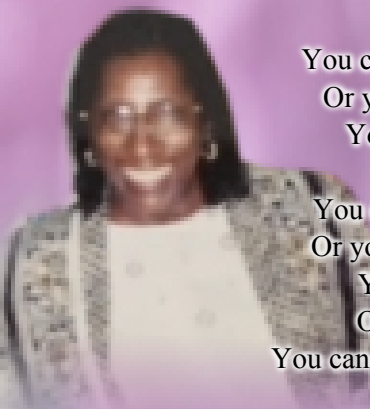
Selection.....Choir

Word of Comfort.....Bishop Alfred Jefferson

Benediction

Recessional Song....."I'll Fly Away"





You can shed tears that she is gone
 Or you can smile because she has lived
 You can close your eyes and pray that she will come back
 Or you can open your eyes and see all that she has left
 Your heart can be empty because you can't see her
 Or you can be full of the love that you shared
 You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday
 Or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday
 You can remember her and only that she is gone
 Or you can cherish her memory and let it live on
 You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back
 Or you can do what she would want: smile,
 open your eyes, love and go on.

David Harkins

Acknowledgement

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of
 kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.
 May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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