To: Mom

Mom – You always had my back in whatever I made up my mind to do. Notably my decision to enlist in the US Air Force in 1974. Even though you weren't living on the island at the time, you were there for me and Marc when we graduated from Good Hope High School in St. Croix. When I married my wife Terri in 1987 in Nebraska, you were there. And you were always there to greet me when I came home on leave. Especially Christmas, which was always a big HOOP-DI in your house.

Your Loving Son, Michael

Mommy – I would never ever be able to thank you enough for giving me life, and for a second chance at it 30 years

ago when you opened your arms and home to me here in Virginia. You carried me until I was able to get back on my feet which I will be eternally grateful. You also introduced me to your wonderful church family that welcomed me with open arms and put me to work. When I was

able to buy a house, you made it a home. Hopefully I allowed for your golden years to be more enjoyable. Rest in Christ until we see each other again.

> Love Ya! Steven



Acknowledgement

The family of Georgia A. Roberts would like to express our sincere gratitude for your kind words, prayers and acts of kindness during this time. Special thanks to the Second Baptist Church and Mount Pleasant Baptist church families for their support and graciousness. We would also like to acknowledge and thank the staff of the DaVita Dialysis Centers for the loving care shown towards "Ms. Georgia".



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Georgia A. Roberts

Earthly Arrival April 1, 1931 Heavenly Departure July 14, 2022

Saturday, July 23, 2022 Family Visitation 10:30am Memorial Service 11:00am

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH

6626 Costner Dr. Falls Church, VA 22042

Psalm 91:1-16

- 1 He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.
- 2 I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.
- 3 Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.
- 4 He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.
- 5 Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day;
- 6 Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.
- 7 A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.
- 8 Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.
- 9 Because thou hast made the Lord, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation;
- 10 There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come night hy dwelling.
- 11 For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.
- 12 They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.
- 13 Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet.
- 14 Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name.
- 15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him.
- 16 With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation.

wherever they were being held. In addition to her church affiliations, she also enjoyed attending the GE Ministries Women's conferences and retreats.

In addition to her love of music, Georgia was an

avid reader and loved to travel. She enjoyed all types of novels and one of her most cherished Christmas gifts was a "Kindle". She enjoyed cruises, bus trips, international travel, AARP Conventions and especially loved the sun and beaches of the Caribbean Islands. Her last voyage was for her 80th birthday with her best friends, Leola Scott and Marjorie Williams.

But most of all, Georgia loved her three sons, Michael, Marc and Steven. She always welcomed Michael home with open arms while he was on leave in the US Air Force. Marc was her personal car mechanic. Even when she lived in Virginia, she would travel to NJ for him to work on her car. As for Steven, she was his biggest musical fan, and he ultimately became her caregiver as her health began to fade.

Georgia departed this life on Thursday, July 14, 2022, after being rushed to the Reston Hospital. Georgia was also preceded in death by her sister Carolyn Jones of NJ.

Cherishing the precious memories of her are two loving sons; Michael (USAF retired) of Long Beach, MS; Steven of Chantilly, VA; one brother E. Bernard Thoms of Temple Hills, FL; a granddaughter Valerie Dickerson; a great grandson, Evan Marc Dickerson of Newark, NJ; and a daughter in-law Anita Roberts of Somerville, NJ; along with nieces and nephews she adored, and other relatives and lifelong friends.

Georgia Alice Roberts was the second child of the late Edward and Alice Thoms, born on April 1, 1931, in Elizabeth, New Jersey. She accepted Christ as her personal Savior at an early age at the Union Baptist Church of Elizabeth.

Georgia attended Elizabeth, NJ, public schools and graduated from Battin High School in 1949. Upon graduation, Georgia worked several jobs while contemplating whether to further her musical talent in becoming a concert pianist.

In 1953, she married the late Robert D. Roberts of Vauxhall, NJ, and to that union 3 sons were born: Michael, Marc (deceased) and Steven. And as one of her favorite cousins Junior said, "Georgie" never lets any grass grow under her feet. After residing in Vauxhall and Roselle, NJ, in 1967 she and her family moved to the beautiful island of St. Croix, US Virgin Islands. Georgia returned to the states in 1969 where she began her administrative and

customer service career with Olivetti Underwood Corporation in Manhattan, NY. That job brought her to Falls Church, VA in 1985, where she worked until a company reorganization in 1988. She worked as a contractor before joining Savin Corporation USA where she worked as a Customer Service Specialist until her retirement in 1999. To keep busy, she worked part-time at the Newspaper Association of America up until 2004, when she retired for good and the better.

Georgia loved music and was a gifted and trained pianist. She pursued her musical talents at an early age along with her childhood and best friend, the late Leola Scott, at the Union Baptist Church of Elizabeth, NJ, for 37 years. Upon relocating to Virginia, she joined the Second Baptist Church and became an active member of their music ministry. She served several years as the Pianist/Directress of the Senior Choir, a member of the Golden Echoes, Women's Choir, Sanctuary Choir, and as Director of the Second Baptist Handbell Choir. Georgia was also an active member of the Missionary Ministry and enjoyed traveling to the Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Missions annual conventions

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Song of Consolation Come Ye Disconsolate (Audio)
(The Wright Solutions led by the late Mary Crawford)
The Words of Assurance Pastor Carl Johnson
Hymn of Assurance Blessed Assurance - Congregation
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Old TestamentMinister
New TestamentMinister
Prayer of ComfortMinister
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Rev. Kevin Thompson
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SBC & MPBC Music Ministries
Handbell Choir PresentationSBC Handbell Choir
Reading of the Obituary
Second Baptist Church Member
Hymn of Preparation
Total Praise - SBC & MPBC Music Ministries
The Gospel Message Rev. Kevin Thompson
The Hymn of departure I'll Fly Away - Congregation

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