

## Obituary



Mrs. Sylvia Ernestine (Barnett) Burden was born to the late Isadore Barnett and Ernestine B. Green on March 25, 1938.

Sylvia was educated in Duval County Public School and graduated

from New Stanton Class of 1955.

After 30 years of dedicated service to Sears, Roebuck & Co., she retired to become the caregiver of her mother. She was married to the late Carl C. Burden.

Sylvia Burden was a member of the Greater Macedonia Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Landon L. Williams, Sr. On Thursday, June 14, 2012 the angel of death descended from Heaven, closed her eyes, sealed her lips and whispered "Come and Rest".

Her memory will live on the hearts of her devoted family. One daughter; Deborah Sheffield, two sons; Alton Burden, Sr. (Jewel), Carlton C. Burden, Jr. (Janis), one sister; Jacqueline C. Jones (Port Arthur, Texas), aunt; Jennie Baysmore (Port Arthur, Texas, 4 grandchildren; Tori McKenzie, Jevaughn Sheffield, Alton Burden, Jr. and Alexander Burden, one nephew; Jimmie Jackson (Port Arthur, Texas), 8 great grands, godson; Roland Jones (Atlanta, GA), godmother; Betty Sanders, 2 close cousins; Rowena Stewart and Lorraine Donaldson and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends of the family.

## A Collage of Love



I am home in Heaven, dear ones;  
Oh, so happy and so bright!  
There is perfect joy and beauty  
In this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over,  
Every restless tossing passed;  
I am now at peace forever,  
Safely home in Heaven at last.

I carry a cross in my pocket,  
A simple reminder to me  
That I am a Christian,  
No matter where I may be.

This little cross isn't magic,  
Nor is it a good luck charm.  
It isn't meant to protect me  
From every physical harm.

It's not for identification  
For all the world to see.  
It's simply an understanding  
Between my Savior and me.

When I put my hand in my pocket  
To bring out a coin or a key,  
The cross is there to remind me  
Of the price He paid for me.

It reminds me too, to be thankful  
For my blessings every day,  
And to strive to serve Him better  
In all that I do or say.

It's also a daily reminder  
Of the peace and comfort I share  
With all who know my Master  
And give themselves to His care.

So, I carry a cross in my pocket  
Reminding none but me  
That Jesus Christ is Lord of my life,  
If only I'll let Him be.

## *Order of Service*

Processional .....

Hymn ..... Choir

Prayer ..... Minister

Scripture ..... Minister

Selection ..... Choir

Acknowledgment ..... Corine Steward

Resolution ..... Corine Steward

Selection ..... Choir

Words of Comfort ..... Dr. Landon L. Williams, Sr.

Recessional .....

## *Interment*

New Berlin Cemetery  
Jacksonville, FL 32218

## Pallbearers

Jevaughn Sheffield	Alton Burden, Jr.
Alexander Burden	Roland Jones
Stevie Bookart	Arthur Mallory
Carl Hughes	Rudy LeCount

## Flower Attendants

Church Members and  
Friends of The Family

## Acknowledgments

The family wishes to express our gratitude for the prayers, cards, kind words, love and acts of kindness you have showered upon us. We thank you deeply for you have comforted, consoled and lifted our hearts during our time of sorrow. May God continue to keep you in His care. Special thanks to Specialty Hospital Community Hospice of North-

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# *In Loving Memory*



## *Sylvia Ernestine Burden*

March 25, 1938 — June 14, 2012

Service

11AM, Saturday, June 23, 2012

*Greater Macedonia Baptist Church*

1880 Edgewood Avenue West  
Jacksonville, FL 32208

*Dr. Landon L. Williams, Sr.*