

Pallbearers

Family Members and Friends

Flower Attendants

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I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I am free. I'm following the path God laid for me. I took his hand when I heard him call. I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day to laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found that place at the close of the day. If my parting has left a void, then fill it with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, oh yes, these things, I will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life has been full, I've savored much, good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, don't lengthen it now with undue grief. God wanted me now, he set me Free.

In Appreciation

The family of the late **Ruth Mae Monteiro** wishes to extend our sincere appreciation to our many family members and friends for your prayers, cards, telephone calls, food, visitation, and all other acts of kindness during our time of bereavement. May God continue to bless each of you!

~The Family

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A CELEBRATION *of Life* for



Ruthie Mae Monteiro

March 1, 1948 - March 23, 2017

Service

11:00 AM, Saturday, April 1, 2017

Samuel C. Rogers Jr. Memorial Chapel

4315 N. Main Street
Jacksonville, FL 32206

Rev. Eric Campbell, Officiating

Faith Temple Baptist Church, Tampa, Florida

Life Story

Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, here am I; send me”

Isaiah 6:8

Ruth Mae Monteiro was born in Savannah, Georgia on March 1, 1948 the daughter of Archie Brown and Johnnie Mae Leverette. Ruth never felt more at home than in Miami, Florida as she made a life as an insurance processor for American Bankers for many years, where she later retired. While she loved Miami; Jacksonville was always home where she later resided with her brothers and sisters. Nothing was more important than spending time with her family in the house where she grew up.

Ruth loved all things that had anything to do with Prince, along with a love for watching movies and listening to music. Everyone knew her favorite song “Purple Rain” and she can now hear it live in Heaven.

Ruth is best known for always trying to bring everyone together to spend time in fellowship. Nothing was more important than connecting her son’s families together as she called her grandchildren every Sunday afternoon.

Ruth was called to her eternal home on Thursday, March 23, 2017, fifty three years to the day of her mother, Johnnie Mae Chappell going on to join the Lord; sister, Martha Ann Bolden; brother, Gregory Chappell; stepfather, Willie Charles Chappell Sr.; aunt, Mrs. Essie Dawkins-Sargent.

Ruth is survived by her 3 sons, Kelvin Brown, La’Verick Brown (Brandi) both of Savannah, Georgia, and Ron Phifer (Angel) of The Colony, Texas; five grandchildren, Laniyyah Brown (10), Oshea Hightower (19), Isaiah Brown (13), Kayla Finnerty (20), and Addison Phifer (10); brothers and sisters; Jacquelyn Williams, Paula McKnight (Oscar), Catherine Walker, Willie Chappell, Alonzo Chappell, Ernest Chappell, and Shelton Chappell (Berneta) of Atlanta, GA; aunts, Earlene Hart (Family’s Matriarh) and Irma Chappell both of Jacksonville, FL; uncles, Ollie Hutchinson (Ella), John C. Lovett (Daisy) both of Palm Coast, FL, and Charles Lovett of Jacksonville, FL; and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins to whom she loved dearly.

Rest in Love and Peace Ruth!

Order of Service

Rev. Jeremiah Robinson Jr., Presiding
New Zion Baptist Church, Fernandina Beach, Florida

Prelude

Processional

Selection Minister Marlowe Smith
St. Paul AMEC Choir

Prayer Rev. Dr. Marvin C. Zanders II
St. Paul AME Church

Scripture:

Old Testament Rev. Jeremiah Robinson, Sr.
New Testament Rev. Kennetta Carter

Selection Minister Marlowe Smith
St. Paul AMEC Choir

Expressions (*Two Minutes Please*)
As A Cousin Alton Dawkins
As A Niece Shawn Roberts
As A Caretaker Ms. Jackie
As A Uncle John C. Lovett

Selection Minister Marlowe Smith
St. Paul AMEC Choir

Resolution & Acknowledgements St. Paul AME Church

Solo Amanda C. Chappell

Words of Comfort Rev. Eric Campbell

Recessional

Interment

Restlawn Cemeteries South

Repast

St. Paul AME Fellowship Hall