

Flower Attendants

Family Members and Friends

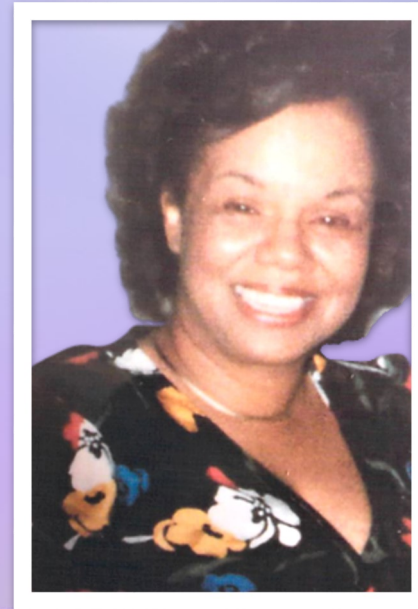
Acknowledgments

We wish to express our sincere and deepest appreciation for the many acts of kindness and love that have been shown during the passing of our loved one. Your prayers, comments, and cards will always be remembered. May God richly bless and keep all of you.

An incredibly special thanks to the pastoral staff of Jacksonville First SDA Church, the staff of Welcome Home Care, Haven Hospice Care, the Mayo Clinic Cancer Center and the Mayo Clinic Neurology and Neurosurgery Center of Jacksonville, FL.

~The McKinley Family~

In Loving Memory of Sonyja Haith McKinley



Sunrise
July 9, 1941

Sunrise
June 20, 2021

Arrangements in care of:



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Memorial Service

10:30 AM, Friday, July 30, 2021

Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery

11301 Crain Hwy

Cheltenham, MD 20623

Pastor Marcus Harris, Officiating

Her Story

Sonyja Deal Haith was the sixth child born to Carlacy and Arletha Haith. She was born in Greensboro, NC. Sonyja met Charles Manuel McKinley in 1958, and after an extended courtship, they married on November 30, 1963. They were married in Washington, D.C. To this union two children were born, Michael and Pamela. Sonyja graduated from D.C. General School of Nursing and later earned her bachelor's degree in nursing from Bowie State University. She worked diligently in her profession, loving and caring for others for 50+ years before retiring. During her years of service at the hospital, she was recognized with many outstanding awards.

Sonyja was a very gifted person. She was an excellent cook and a great baker and canner. She gifted many with her baked and canned goods. Her cakes, lemon lush pies, and zucchini breads were always a big treat. She enjoyed reconnecting with friends and family both old and new. Family meant a great deal to her - never forgetting birthdays, anniversaries and even the sick and shut-in. She was very active in the Seventh Day Adventist church, participating in the Women's Ministries, the Usher Committee and the Care and Comfort Committee.

Sonyja departed this life on June 20, 2020, at her home in Orange Park, Florida after a valiant battle with cancer. She is preceded in death by her loving husband, Charles, six sisters: Ruth Latimer, Alice "Sis" Anderson, Gertrude Clarke, Delois Haith-Marsh, Mable Haith Stewart, and Celestia Barber and three brothers: Carlacy Haith Jr., Reginald Linwood Haith, and Horace "Bunny" Bernard Haith.

Sonyja leaves to rejoice in her memory her devoted children, Michael S. McKinley Sr. (Marianne) and Pamela McKinley; her grandchildren, Michael S. McKinley Jr., Krystal McKinley Graham (Stephen), Katrina McKinley, John Darion Griffith (Chasity), Jessica Rembold (Porter), and Christopher Raulerson; four great-granddaughters, Giana Graham, Amira Graham, Ziza Hall, and Rayleigh Baker; her siblings, Ross Haith (Elizabeth), Naomi Stewart, Anne Rico, and Earl Haith (Salome). She also leaves behind a host of in-laws, nieces and nephews.

Order of Service

Processional

Scripture Freddie Williams
Old Testament *Psalm 23*
New Testament *John 14: 1-7*

Prayer Pastor Marcus Harris

Selection Semaj Pennix
"The Midnight Cry"

Obituary Stephanie Dyson
(Read Along Silently)

Selection Semaj Pennix
"Rise Again"

Recessional (To Graveside at Cemetery)

Reflections *(Two Minutes Please)*

Selection Semaj Pennix
"Really Gonna Miss You"

Words of Comfort Pastor Marcus Harris

Departure