

Mama

A gentle soul, a loving heart. A mom like you will never part.
Though you're gone, Your memory stays.
A bittersweet reminder of happier days.
Your guidance, wisdom, and caring ways
helped shape me through life's joys and gaze.
Your absence leaves a gaping space. A sorrow that time can't erase.
But even in death your love remains, a legacy that soothes my pains.
I'll hold on to the memories we made and cherish every moment we displayed.
Rest now dear mom and know I'll be ok.
Though losing you has changed my way.
Your love will stay with me, a beacon bright.
Guiding me through life's dark and light.
Love,

Nikki & Darrien

To Family and Friends

Life (How Do You Want to Be Remembered)

~Lawanza F. Sampson (Nikki)~

Life is too short to just let it pass you by.
Life is very short when your family stands over you and cry.
You're here one day and gone the next.
Sleeping and can't be woke up.
So, when it comes to living and loving don't get choked up.
Do it while you can, because when you can't speak anymore
your family won't understand.
Understand why you were buried 6 feet under by some unknown man.
A flower here and a flower there,
In the meantime, there are tears on people's faces everywhere.
Many people loved you and yet you never knew,
as a matter of fact, you will never know.
They will never know you loved them.
All that is left are memories good and bad
because you can't wake up.
You need to stop and think now
Are you that happy person that cheers everyone up?
Or are you that nasty person that just don't give a what
Do you smile and speak to everyone that pass you by?
or do you turn the other cheek saying, "I don't know that guy".
Did you stay in trouble for stupid reasons?
Or were you that model citizen everyday of all your last seasons.
Life comes in quick and quick life goes out
what was your short life about?
How do you want to be remembered?

Active Pallbearers

John Mays, Jr.	Travis Mitchell
Victor Davis, Sr.	Andrew Davis
Leslie E. Richardson	Darrien M. Graham
Leroy Mobley, Jr.	Vincent Richardson
Larry Washington	

Moral Bearers

Family & Friends

Earthly Bed of Slumber

Hymn | Committal | Final Presentations

Jeslamb AME Church Cemetery

185 NE Almond Avenue * Madison, Florida 32340

Repast

New Bethel Primitive Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
339 Osgood Street * Madison, Florida 32340

The Family's Message of Appreciation

We are truly blessed to have family and friends like you. The outpouring of love and support which you have so generously shared with us has exceeded even our imagination. We are indeed grateful for your calls, cards, florals, food, visits and prayers. Each has served as a source of strength for us. We ask that you continue to pray for us as we endeavor to accept God's Will. Please know that as you are praying for us, we will be praying for you. May God bless and keep you in His loving care.

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Your Life Was A Blessing, Your Memory A Treasure

The Celebration of Victory

Sister

Verndell Davis Sampson



SATURDAY, AUGUST 10, 2024
11:00 ANTE MERIDIEM

Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church

221 SW MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DRIVE
MADISON, FLORIDA 32340

The Reverend Carlos Presley, Gracious Host | Pastor
The Elder Freddie J. Johnson, Jr., Officiant
The Reverend Albert L. Barfield, Eulogist
PASTOR, FIRST ANTIOCH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
VALDOSTA, GEORGIA

J.P. Moore Undertaking Company, Directing

Sister Verndell Davis Sampson

JANUARY 29, 1954 – JULY 29, 2024
“Belle” | “Sunshine Lady”

“I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I kept the faith.”
~ 2 Timothy 4:7

Sister Verndell Davis Sampson was born on January 29, 1954, to her eagerly awaiting parents, Albert James Davis, Sr. and Jenyethel Smith Davis, in Madison, Florida. She was affectionately known as “Belle” and “Sunshine Lady.” As the years progressed, she shared their lively household with her four brothers and three sisters. She was a lifetime resident of the area.

Because Verndell’s strong spiritual foundation was embedded in her early in life, she made a personal confession of her belief in Jesus Christ and was baptized by faith. From that initial experience, she worshipped the Lord and willingly gave her service to Him in a more excellent way.

Verndell received her education in the Madison County School District and was a 1972 graduate from Madison High School. She considered two career options, with one of them being achieving certification in cosmetology from North Florida Junior College Vocational Center and the other was attaining certification in corrections through the Florida Department of Corrections. She worked several years in the Magic Touch Beauty Salon before she accepted a position as a corrections officer at Jefferson Correctional Institution. During her 16-year employment, she achieved the rank of Sergeant.

During her time away from her busy work schedule, Verndell enjoyed cooking; her specialties were mouth-watering homemade biscuits and savory chicken and rice. On the other hand, she also appreciated being in the fresh air and sunshine. She, together with Lawanza and Darrien, were successful garden producers of fresh vegetables. Verndell was taught to work as a child, and at 18 years of age, she assumed a more responsible role in the daily farm activities. She grew and gathered vegetables and pecans, drove the tractor, and helped raise livestock. Verndell also enjoyed hunting. Her leisure brought her enjoyment in dancing and listening to music, specifically the “Old School / Oldies Goldies.” At other times, she was thoroughly uplifted with her praise and worship experience by listening to and/or singing Gospel music.

Verndell had a special love for her entire family and enjoyed spending quality time with them. Foremost, however, was the enduring love she had for Lawanza and Darrien who shared so many aspects of their lives together. She was always supportive, encouraging, loving, and compassionate.

The joy of the Lord was her strength. On Monday, July 29, 2024, Verndell Davis Sampson completed her earthly journey and was welcomed into the Kingdom for her Heavenly reward “... there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day...” ~2 Timothy 4:8.

Someone so special can never be forgotten because she left a legacy of love in the footprints of time. Loved ones who will hold close to their hearts the forever memories of Sister Verndell Davis Sampson that bind them together as family are her daughter: Lawanza “Nikki” Sampson; grandson/son: Darrien Graham, both of Madison, FL; brothers: Charlie (Ruby) Davis of Fayetteville, NC; Jerome “Ricky” Davis and Eugene (Nora) Davis, all of Madison, FL; sisters: Annie Pearl Davis Reddick, Linda Davis Jackson, and Eunice Davis Straughter, all of Madison, FL; sisters-in-law: Betty Brown Davis, Louise Sampson, and Lureatha Jackson; aunts: Lillie Mae Davis Alexander, Madison, FL and Coreatha Davis Hester of Lakeland, FL; special friends: William Hicks, Barbara Moore, Barbara Ann Hall, Maria Edwards, Linda Jackson, Willie Mae Gallon, Joanna Norton, Mary Jane Johnson, and Pauline Miller; along with countless other sorrowing relatives and consoling friends. Preceding Verndell in death were both of her parents: Albert James Davis, Sr. and Jenyethel Smith Davis; her husband: Sammie Lee Sampson; and her brother: Albert James Davis, Jr.

Forever In Our Hearts



The Divine Order of Service

The Elder Freddie J. Johnson, Jr., Presiding
PASTOR, NEW BETHEL PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH * MADISON, FLORIDA

Prelude..... The J.P. Moore Gospel Band
& New Bethel P.B. Church Choir

Processional.....Eulogist, Clergy, Mortician & Family

Parting Glance & Seating of Family The J.P. Moore Staff

Family Prayer of ConsolationElder Freddie J. Johnson, Jr.

Solo.....Sister Tawanha Baynard

The Holy Scriptures:

Old Testament Reverend Matthew Combs
New Testament..... Reverend Charlie Barfield

Tribute to Mama.....Latonia, Nikki & Darrien

Reflections & Tributes:

Family & Friends (3)..... Two Minutes Each, Please

Solo..... Brother Ricky Davis

Resolutions & Acknowledgements The J.P. Moore Staff

Solo..... Brother Marcell Monts

Words of ComfortReverend Albert Barfield

Solo..... Brother E. J. Jones

Mortician’s Brief..... Mr. Jamarien “J.P.” Moore, LFD

Recessional..... “Going Up Yonder”Clergy & Family

“Weeping may endure for the night, but JOY comes in the morning!”