### **Tallbearers**

Anthony Perryman Larry Fredrick Franklin Thomas Dennis Longshore Walter Webb Napoleon Tramell

## Honorary Tallbearers

**Cousins & Friends** 

Floral Bearers

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## **Acknowledgement of Appreciation**

The loving compassion that you have shown during our time of need is indeed a blessing from God. Your kind expressions of love have strengthened our faith, helped us to accept the things we could not change, and reaffirm the fact that others share our loss.

When you thought about her and could find the time for a visit, we thank you for your thoughtfulness.

When you were concerned about her health and could not do anything but wish her well, we thank you for your concern.

When you bowed to ask God's blessings for her, we thank you for your prayers. When you remembered to call and inquire of her welfare, we thank you for remembering.

When you made her smile just once a day, we thank you for that moment of happiness. The family conveys this special message of thanks, for services rendered and acts of kindness, as we celebrate the life of Lavongia Johnson Smith. The family asks God's blessings to be upon you always.

The Smith Family

### Interment

Antioch Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery LaFayette, AL

# Celebration of Life & Homegoing Service

for

Earthly Sent: 10/19/1930

Heavenly Gain: 5/6/2021

# Mrs. Lavongia Johnson Smith

Wednesday, May 12, 2021 Visitation: 12:00 Noon CDT Service: 1:00 PM CDT

> Vines Funeral Home Chapel 211 B Street SW LaFayette, AL 36862

Officiating Prince Leonard Sykes, Eulogist

# A Lovely Day to Fraise the Lord

A lovely day to praise the Lord For a day that's fresh and new, That's filled with nature's beauty, Created just for you.

It's a lovely day to look, to see the flowers, the trees, and the birds. The music of their voices rings, None sweeter can be heard.

It is a lovely day to thank the Lord, As all around we see the vastness of blue skies above And feel the summer breeze.

> It is a lovely day to think of how He cares for us each day. As we journey in this life, He is there to lead the way.



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# The Fifth Season

In the spring of life In the flower of youth Everything is bright and new.

In the summer of life Time of growth and change, Each day brings new dreams to pursue.

In the autumn of life, There's a settling down— Contentment and sureness in what we do.

In the winter of life Comes peace and wisdom, Time to relax and reminisce, too...

But with the passing of these seasons, Life is still not done, not through, For there is yet another season, When each spirit is renewed. And it is in this calm fifth season, In this hopeful second spring, A time of cleansing and rebirth, A time of new awakening. Each person's life will come full circle, Even as the seasons do, To start another, different life,

Much better than the one we knew.

Order of Worship

Prelude

Processional

Solo "His Eye Is On The Sparrow" Ms. Nicole Branch

Scriptures Old Testament - Psalm 90 Pastor Ed Vines

New Testament - II Timothy 4:6-8 Mr. Hugh Bledsoe

> Prayer Pastor Melvin Owens

Triumphant Creed Prince Leonard Sykes

### Acknowledgement of Resolutions & Condolences

Hymn "Amazing Grace" - Ms. Nicole Branch

> **Eulogy** Prince Leonard Sykes

Hymn "I'll Fly Away" - Pastor George Pulliam

Interment Antioch Missionary Baptist Church

# Lovingly, We Remember

## Lavongia Johnson Smith

"To everything there is a **season and a time** to every purpose under the heavens." Ecclesiastes 3:1

### A TIME TO BE BORN ...

Lavongia Johnson Smith was born October 19, 1930, in Chambers County, Alabama. She was born to Willie Dee Johnson and Cora Johnson. She was an only child.

### A TIME TO PLANT ...

Lavongia's family led her at an early age to a personal faith in Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior. This decision impacted the remainder of her life. She was a member of the Liberty AME Church at an early age. In her teen and young adult years, she was a member of the Antioch Missionary Baptist Church. By her middle age, she became a member of the Triumph Church and Kingdom of God in Christ where she remained until God called her home.

Lavongia was educated in the public schools of Chambers County and the Triumph School of Wisdom where she became a certified teacher.

Lavongia enjoyed volunteering her time teaching people how to preserve jelly, can vegetables, and bake cakes for the winter months. She enjoyed making her signature Brunswick stew and oven-baked chicken and rice for those in the community who were recovering at home. People were often surprised when she blessed them with the food they desired from her kitchen. She worked at International Playtex, Rogers Restaurant and the Chambers County Board of Education.

### A TIME TO LOVE ...

Lavongia was preceded in death by her parents: Willie D. and Cora Johnson, her husband, three children: Cora Smith, Jimmy L. Smith, and Lois M. Smith. She shared her faith with those in the community as she shared her cooking with those who



desired something special. She also enjoyed having children and people spend time with her. Additionally, she enjoyed playing dominoes, singing, cooking for family, friends, and neighbors as well as helping every one she could.

#### A TIME TO DIE ...

Lavongia Johnson Smith finished her course on earth on May 6, 2021, in Daphne, Alabama.

#### A TIME TO MOURN...

Lavongia leaves to cherish her memory: three daughters, Mary Young, Warren, MI; Willie M. Smith, Warren, MI; Shirley (Charles) Smith, Daphne, AL; and a granddaughter, she reared as a daughter, Titanya (Dennis) Longshore, Dayton, OH. She also helped to rear two great-grand sons, Travion Smith and Jaquavion Jackson and two great-grand daughters, Mikeyla Thomas and Tamaria Longshore. Additionally, Lavongia leaves nine grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, fifteen great-great grandchildren, two great-great-great grandchildren, and three god sons: Randy (Jackie) Floyd; Frank (Monica) Floyd; Franklin (Margo) Thomas, and a host of adored nieces, nephews, other caring relatives and special friends.

#### A TIME OF PEACE...

After 90 years, Lavongia Johnson Smith is now at peace as she departed this mortal life and moved home with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.