

## *I'm Free*

*Don't grieve for me for now I'm 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 my place at the close of day.*

*If my parting has left a void*

*Then fill it with remembered joys.*

*A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,*

*Ah yes, these things I too shall miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow:*

*I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.*

*My life's been full, I savored much;*

*Good friends, good times, a loved ones touch.*

*Perhaps my life seemed all too brief:*

*Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.*

*Lift up your heart and share with me;*

*God wanted me now, He set me free.*

## *Active Pallbearers*

*Clenon Carter III*

*Bernard Grady*

*Danny Carter Jr.*

*Terrell Carter*

*Stanford Johnson*

*Voncellies Allen*

## *Acknowledgements*

*The family of the late Debra Grady is grateful for all the acts of love, kindness, and sympathy shown to them during this time of bereavement. Your thoughtfulness, sympathetic smiles, silent embraces, prayers, and loving words have all helped to sustain us during this grief period. Special thanks to the entire staff at Eastside Elementary School as well as Coffee Regional Medical 3rd Floor Staff and the Pastor and Members of Hightower Memorial Temple.*

*-The Family*

## *Interment*

*Sunnyside Cemetery*

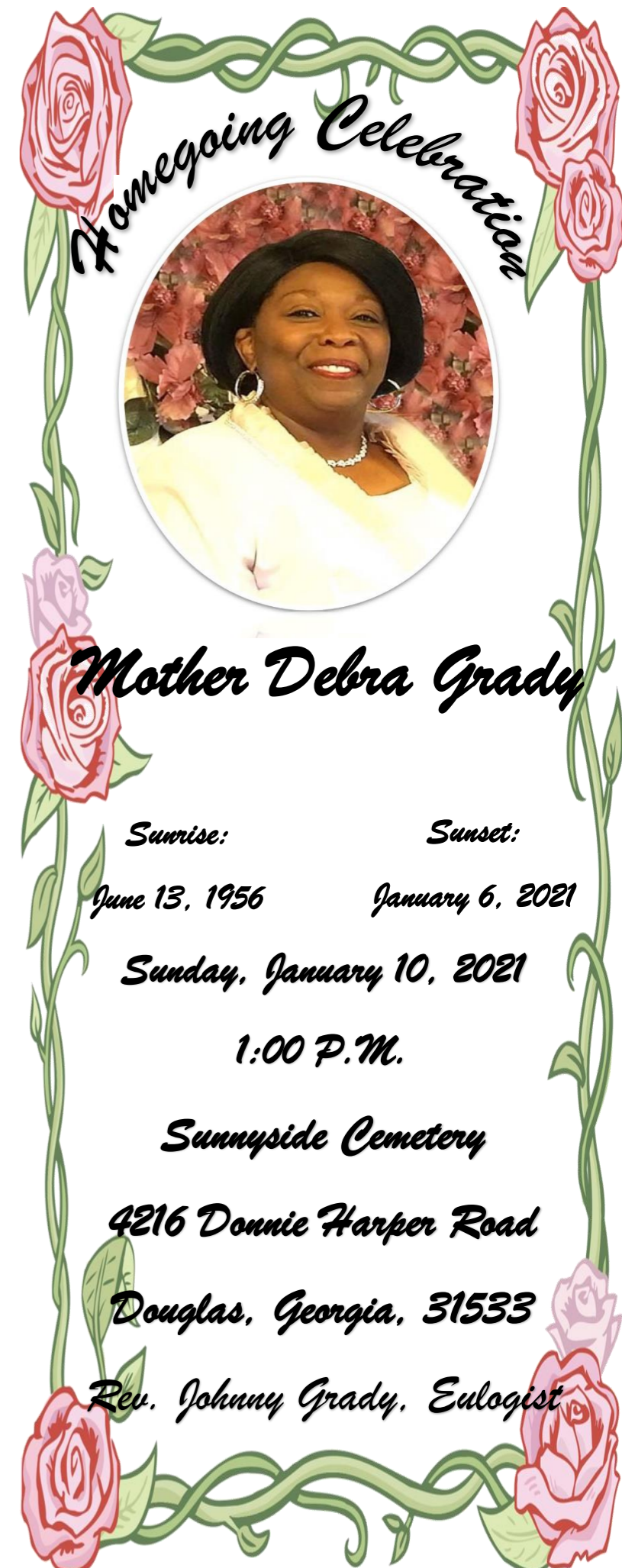
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## Look For Me In Rainbows

Time for me to go now, I won't say  
goodbye;

Look for me in rainbows, way up in the sky.  
In the morning sunrise when all the world is  
new,

Just look for me and love me, as you know I  
loved you.

Time for me to leave you, I won't say  
goodbye;

Look for me in rainbows, high up in the sky.  
In the evening sunset, when all the world is  
through,

Just look for me and love me, and I'll be  
close to you.

It won't be forever, the day will come and  
then

My loving arms will hold you, when we  
meet again.

Time for us to part now, we won't say  
goodbye;

Look for me in rainbows, shining in the sky.  
Every waking moment, and all your whole  
life through

Just look for me and love me, as you know I  
loved you.

Just wish me to be near you,  
And I'll be there with you.

## Precious Memories



## Order of Service

Presiding, Minister A. Henry Thomas

Processional.....Ministers and Family

Invocation.....Bishop Richard Denning

Hymn.....Pastor Landis Miller

Scripture Reading:

Old Testament....Pastor Ladrigues Styles

New Testament.....Pastor Willie Carter

Solo.....Sister Trina Goolsby Lee

Reflections

Grandchildren

Nieces

Nephews

As an Employee.....Amy Vining

Solo.....Commissioner Kentaiwon Durham

Eulogy.....Reverend Johnny Grady

Acknowledgements.....Harrell's Staff

Committal Service

Benediction

Recessional



## *Life Reflections*

We pause today to celebrate the life, legacy and transition of Mother Debra Elaine Love Grady from earth to glory on January 6, 2021.

She was born to the parentage of the late Bill Collins Clenon Gene and Clara Mae Love Carter on June 13, 1956 in Douglas, Georgia.

She graduated from Carver High School in 1974 and matriculated through South Georgia College and Ben Hill Irwin Tech in Master Cosmetology. She was the owner and operator of Debra's Beauty Salon for nearly 40 years.

Mrs. Debra Grady was employed by the Coffee County Board of Education, Eastside Elementary School, where she loved working with the staff and students who she affectionately called her babies. Many thought of her as a mother figure, because of her caring way and her concern for their spiritual well-being. She was known as a prayer warrior and one who sang the praises of the Lord even there.

"Laine" as she was affectionately called, was a lifelong member of Hightower Memorial Temple. As a small child, she sang in the Youth Choir and participated in all the Youth activities including: Sunday School, Vacation Bible School and traveling to the Youth Conventions. Minister Grady was consecrated a Church Mother at Hightower Memorial Temple on May 2, 2015 in a very elaborate ceremony under the leadership of Pastor Randolph Scott. As a Minister and Church Mother, she would often preside over the services. Her gift was to give good Godly advice and encouraging uplifting words to many. She was also a profound and prolific gospel singer and preacher. She also served as a Sunday School Teacher. She had an uncanny ability to reach people in a deep and positive way.

Debra was a fun-loving, caring person who organized Family Reunions for several years. She loved her Family deeply. Her own Mother would call her "Mama Laine", because of her nurturing and Motherly spirit. She was an exuberant person who met no strangers. She loved people.

She leaves cherished memories to her husband Donald Grady; two daughters, Yolanda (Kecha) Newton, and Latasa Washington; grandson Dontavius Gaskins of Fitzgerald, GA; two granddaughters: Lakendria and Darrian Newton of Midway, GA; Three sisters, Angela Carter, Sheila Carter, and Gail (Johnny) Jackson all of Douglas, GA; Four brothers, Eugene (Shirley) Carter of Decatur, GA, Conner (Kalista) Carter of Douglas, GA, Daryl (Andrea) Tyson of Waycross, GA, John Ira Watts of Douglas, GA, Two special aunts, Eunice Stewart of Douglas GA and Carolyn Lane of Bradenton, FL; Seven sisters-in-law, Martha (Pete) McNeair, Carolyn (Otis) Lott, Vernell Huff, Eloise King all of Douglas, GA, Winnie Mae Edwards of Broxton, GA, Roxie Diggs of Flint, MI, Ada Johnson of Albany, GA, and Rudene Stewart of Miami, FL; Three brothers in law, Bernie Lee (Roxie) Grady of Douglas, GA, Wilma (Marie) Grady of Philadelphia, PA, Alan (Lois) Grady of Savannah, GA, a host of nieces and nephews, a loving godmother, Mary Wilkerson and three special godchildren, Yentle Carter, Terrica Oates and Kristie Boyd. Special Love to the many special cousins, friends, co-workers and classmates of the Class of 1974.

