

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.*

Psalm 23

1 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Acknowledgements

The family of the late Veronica Ashford are grateful for all the acts of love, kindness, and sympathy shown 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. May God continue to bless each of you for your kind expressions of love

-The Family

Interment

Paulk Cemetery
101 Gus Paulk Road
Ambrose, Georgia, 31512

Final Arrangements Entrusted To:

HARRELL'S FUNERAL HOME
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Homegoing Celebration For



Veronica Ashford

Sunrise: February 7, 1962 *Sunset: January 17, 2021*

Sunday, January 24, 2021

3:00 PM

Paulk Cemetery

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Ambrose, Georgia, 31512

Rev. Johnny Grady, Eulogist

Life Reflections

Sister Veronica Jean Ashford was born on February 7, 1962, in Lanier County to the late Mrs. Jimmie Quncina and Mr. John Willie Thomas.

She was a devoted wife and loving mother. Mrs. Ashford was a member of St. James Missionary Baptist Church, where she was a faithful choir member and deaconess. Sister Veronica was a loving member of Queenell Chapter #243 Order of Eastern Star Douglas, Georgia. She was a loving, caring, and passionate lady. She cared for everyone, which lead to her dream job as a nurse. Sister Veronica became an LPN in 1981, where she worked within the Home Health Field. She started with Joseph Campbell Company for 13 years, then Gold Kist for several years. Her last job was at PCC until she became the primary caregiver for her mom.

She is preceded in death by her son Norman Stafford and three sisters: Betty Jo Thomas, Gloria Jenell Sharp, and Fannie Pearl McDuffie.

She leaves to cherish her memories: a loving husband of forty-three years: Deacon Willie Ashford; six children: Chris Stafford, Monica (Vern Matthews) McCarthy, Gabe (Enjoli) Ashford, Fabe (Keysa) Ashford, Olanda (Terrance) Williams, and Artis McRae; five brothers: Ronnie Dempsey, Franklin (Liz) Stafford, Benjamin Wilson, Robert (Brenda) Wilson, and John Willie Thomas; two sisters: Reatha Terrall, and Lorainn (Larry) Byrant; eleven grandchildren; special nephew: Teddy Dempsey; a special uncle: Willie Sharp; special brother-in-law: Lewis Ashford; special sister-in-law: Betty Lofton; a special aunt: Sofia Dempsey; a special friend: Sherry Grady; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Precious Memories



Order of Service

Processional.....Ministers and Family
 Final Glimpse
 Invocation.....Pastor Bobby Harris
 Selection
 Scripture Reading:
 Old Testament.....Min. Rhonda Grady
 New Testament.....Min. Michael Newton
 Solo.....Rashad Sims
 Reflections.....2 Minutes Please
 As a Son.....Gabe Ashford
 As a Friend.....Sherry Grady
 As a Church Member
 As a Sister-in-law.....Betty Lofton
 Solo.....Commissioner Kentaiwon Durham
 Order of Eastern Star Memorial Service
 Eulogy.....Reverend Johnny Grady
 Acknowledgements.....Harrell's Staff
 Committal Service
 Benediction
 Recessional

