

## *Family Tributes:*

### *Message from Kenny*

*Mom, I'm going to miss talking to you.  
I will love you forever and cherish you  
until we see each other again!*

### *Message from Zaria*

*Mom, thank you for loving me,  
teaching me and helping me.  
I will miss you dearly  
and you will always be in my heart.*



## *Acknowledgements*

We, the family of Verna Drayton, will be forever grateful to our many friends for your expressions of kindness shared with us in our time of bereavement. We will always cherish the love and care shared with us on this journey. May the Lord continue to guide, keep and richly bless you for your kindness to us.



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## *In Loving Memory of*

# *Verna Drayton*

*Sunrise*  
*December 22, 1932*

*Sunset*  
*February 24, 2020*



*Wednesday, March 4, 2020 • 11:00 a.m.*

*Clifton Baptist Church*  
*Big Hill Road*  
*Garden City, GA 31408*

## *Her Journey*

Mrs. Verna Drayton was born in Little Rock, AR on December 22, 1932 to Author Brown and Lena Mount. Verna and her siblings moved to Richmond, CA and she became a member of the Berkeley Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church and joined the Usher Board.

VERNA met and married Benjamin Drayton, in California, and they purchased a home in Berkeley, CA, residing at 919 Hearst Street. They raised her five sons, Louis, Larry, Michael, Kenneth and Richard, to be active members of the church. She also encouraged her sons to join the Military and all, except Richard, served the Army, Navy and Air Force.

VERNA made a deal with Benjamin that after they raised her sons, and they all left home, that she would move to Savannah, GA to be closer to his family. In 1980 they moved and built the house at 450 Big Hill Road, Garden City, GA. There she joined the Usher Board at the Clifton Baptist Church and was a current member until her passing.

VERNA worked in California as a licensed cosmetologist for many years. In Georgia, she was employed as a Supervisor for the Washington Holding Company and was honored in 1984, to win a Grandfather's clock for making outstanding sales achievement.

VERNA enjoyed gardening and cutting the grass on her riding lawn mower; she also loved to Crochet, Sew and make quilts.

VERNA'S proudest achievement and joy was to raise and instill Christian values in her, long desired daughter Zaria, born in 2000. Her prayer to the Lord was to let her see Zaria graduate from high school, which she did in 2019.

VERNA was a devoted Christian woman and gave praises to the Lord every day. She was a loving wife, mother, mother-in-law, grandmother, great grandmother, great-great grandmother, aunt and friend.

VERNA was preceded in death by her husband, Benjamin Drayton and sons Larry, Michael and Richard; and siblings, Georgia, Cora, Jessie, Cleveland, James, Ada and Willie. She leaves to cherish her memories three children, Zaria, Louis and Kenneth; nephew, Jess Brown as well as 10 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren and 2 great, great grandchildren and a host of friends.

## *Order of Service*

*Minister Lorraine Ross, Presiding*

Processional

Selection.....Clifton Baptist Church Choir

Scriptures:

Old Testament .....Rev. Curtis Warner

New Testament .....Dea. Thomas Daniels

Prayer.....Dea. Clarence Bacon

Solo.....Elder Errol Roach

Reflections (3 minutes please)

As a Deacon .....Dea. Oliver Cooper

As a Friend .....Elder Errol Roach

As a Fellow Usher .....Sis. Martha Whitehead

As a Family Member .....Sis. Lakia Foust

Acknowledgements & Resolution. .Sis. Angelyne Johnson

Selection.....Clifton Baptist Church Choir

Eulogy .....Pastor Craig Daughtry

Recessional

## *Interment*

*Magnolia Memorial Gardens*

*5532 Silk Hope Road - Savannah, GA*