<u>Pall Bearers and Floral Bearers</u> Family and Friends

<u>~ Acknowledgements~</u>

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent a floral piece, if so, we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words that any friend could say. Perhaps you were not there at all; just thought of us that day we. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we thank you so much whatever the part.





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Sunrise

October 30, 1943

Honoring the Life and Legacy

Sunset July 11, 2024



Wednesday, July 17, 2024 12:00 PM Robert Swinson Jr. Memorial Chapel 208 E. Blount Street Kinston, NC. 28501 Pastor George Fields, Officiating

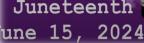
God Took You Home

In Tears we saw you sinking And watched you fade away Our hearts were almost broken We wanted you to stay. But when we saw you sleeping So peaceful, free from pain How could we wish you back with us To suffer that again. It broke our hearts to loose you But you didn't go alone For part of us went with you The day God took you Home.

















"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day; and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing." II Timothy 4:7-8

Mother Rosetta Kirkman Baker was born on October 30, 1943, to the late Mr. Elias Kirkman and Mrs. Pauline Kirkman in Lenoir County. She attended elementary and high school in Lenoir County.

She met and married Wille J. Pridgen and three children were born to this union. Willie Anthony Pridgen, Barbara Ann Pridgen and Andre Pridgen. Later in life, she met and married Mr. Abner Baker, whom she affectionately called "Baker."

Early in life, Mother Baker and her siblings were taught to trust in God, love, and work hard. She gave her life to the Lord Jesus Christ and joined the church in her younger years. In her later years, she found a home in the Family Worship Center. Her love for the church was evident in her active participation as an usher and her role as a mother to the congregation. She hosted several family and friend gatherings at The Family Worship Center. Mother Baker was not just a role model, but a beacon of resilience. Her determination and strength of will were unwavering, inspiring to all who knew her. She assisted in caring for some of her family members, her husband, daughter and some patients.

Mother Rosetta Baker retired from Buehler Products in Kinston, North Carolina. After retirement, she enjoyed and had a passion for taking care of her plants and keeping her home, yard, and porch decorated beautifully. She also enjoyed styling her outfits, and she indeed looked fabulous.

Mother Baker also loved supporting her communities during Jones County events. She supported the Foster Grandparents Program that assisted teachers with students in elementary grades in the Jones County Public School System.

Mother Rosetta Baker recently received numerous awards, such as..

- *** UNSUNG HERO AWARD**
- * WALK OF STAR AWARD
- *** JONES COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AWARD**
- ✤ JUNETEENTH 2024 QUEEN

Mother Baker was preceded in death by her parents, two sons, Willie Anthony Pridgen and Andre Pridgen, and siblings, Cleveland Kirkman, Woodrow Kirkman, and Annie Mae Best.

Mother Baker leaves to cherish her beloved memories and legacy: her daughter Barbara Ann King, Kinston, North Carolina; four grandchildren, Angelic, Channell, and Khalif, all of Baltimore, Maryland, and Kourtnee of Kinston, North Carolina; and two great-grandchildren; two sisters-in-law, Irene Isler of Kinston, North Carolina, and Jacqueline Graham of Newark, New Jersey, two brothers-in-law, David Baker, of Greensboro, North Carolina, and Gregory Graham of Newark, New Jersey; two children of her heart Alexander Brinkley and Authyme Brinkley; five nephews, one niece and a host of family, friends, associates, and all the lives she touched on her journey of life.



Order of Service

Evangelist Lanesia Fonville, Presiding

Musical Prelude

Processional

Scripture

	ntSis Rosa Burney ntElder Annie Andrade
Prayer	Sis Annie Mumford
Selection	Sis Esperanza Harper
Acknowledgments and	ObituarySis Aremeta Fields
Remarks	.2 minutesFamily & Friends
Instrumental Tribute	Jeramiah Dudley
Selection	Pastor Bonita Simmons
Eulogy	Pastor George Fields

Mortician's Brief

Recessional

