

# God's GARDEN

God looked around His garden,  
 And He found an empty place.  
 He then looked down upon the Earth  
 And saw your precious face.  
 He put His arms around you  
 And lifted you to rest.  
 God's garden must be beautiful;  
 He always takes the best.  
 He knew that you were suffering;  
 He knew you were in pain.  
 He knew you would never, ever  
 Get well on Earth again.  
 So He closed your weary eyelids  
 And whispered, "Peace be thine."  
 Then He took you up to Heaven  
 With hands so gentle and kind.  
 It broke our hearts to lose you,  
 But you did not go alone  
 For part of us went with you  
 The day God welcomed you home.

## PALLBEARERS

Robert Sheppard  
 Dorrick Robinson  
 Lorenza James

Gilbert James  
 Kelvin James  
 Tsalichis Young

## FLOWER BEARERS

Friends & Family

## COMMITTAL

Mother Emanuel AME Church Cemetery  
 110 Calhoun Street  
 Charleston, South Carolina 29401

## REPAST

Mother Emanuel AME Church  
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## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

*The family of Mrs. Albertha Sheppard would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions. Your phone calls, visits, flowers, thoughts, and prayers have all helped greatly during our time of bereavement. May God continue to bless each of you, is our prayer.*

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ENTRUSTED TO

**DICKERSON MORTUARY, LLC**  
 4700 Rivers Avenue  
 North Charleston, South Carolina 29405  
 Tel: 843-718-0144

IN *Loving Memory* OF



MRS. *Albertha*  
**SHEPPARD**

SEPTEMBER 17, 1939 – NOVEMBER 18, 2023

Saturday, November 25, 2023  
 12:00 PM

Mother Emanuel AME Church  
 110 Calhoun Street  
 Charleston, South Carolina 29401

*Pastor Eric Manning, Officiating*

LIFE REFLECTION OF

# Albertha Sheppard



MS. ALBERTHA SHEPPARD was born September 17, 1939, in Charleston, SC, to the late John Benjamin (Jessie) Sheppard, Sr., and Emily Victoria Sheppard. Albertha transitioned into eternal rest on Saturday, November 18, 2023.

Throughout her life, Albertha was dedicated to serving others. She joined Mother Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church at an early age where she was baptized, a faithful member, and of service in countless ways. She was the Past President of the Local Lay Organization and District member; Past President of the Hilda B. Scott Club; Past Director YPD Department; and a member of the United Order of Tents (Grace Tent #4); the Missionary Society; and the Stewardess Board #3.

She attended Buist Elementary School and was a graduate of Burke High School, Class of 1957. She later received her nursing degree from the City College of New York. She was a dedicated nurse in both New York City and Charleston, SC, where she ended her career.

Albertha was often described as a sweet, loving, and gentle soul. She touched many lives with her unique way of making everyone feel loved. She was a mother to all children who crossed her path.

Often her love exuded by her freely giving a warm smile and encouraging word.

She was preceded in death by her parents and five siblings, Benjamin Sheppard, Helen Sanders, Robert Sheppard, Catherine Sheppard Fields, and James Sheppard.

Albertha leaves to cherish her life: her two children, L'Tanya Williams and Vernon (Lisa) Collins; four grandchildren, Derek, Deonesha, Caya, and Christopher; two great-grandchildren, Kobi and Hermoine; two sisters-in-law, Polly Sheppard and Mary Sheppard; a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins; the church family, friends, and other extended family; and her closest friend, Henrietta Dash of North Charleston, SC.

## PRECIOUS MEMORIES



## ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional

Final Viewing

Hymn of Comfort..... *Precious Lord*

Prayer of Comfort

Prayer Response

Scriptures for Comfort:

Old Testament ..... *Psalms 23:1-6 (ESV)*

New Testament ..... *John 11:25-27 (ESV)*

Remarks

Obituary

Resolution from Mother Emanuel AME Church

Class Leader

Solo ..... *June Dupree*

Words of Comfort ..... *Pastor Darryl L. Lee*

Recessional