

*Celebration of Life*  
CEREMONY FOR

*Mother Gertrude Freeman*  
*Prince*

Alpha: October 21, 1921 ~ Omega: October 30, 2023

Saturday, November 11, 2023 | 11:00 A.M.

**FIRST UNION MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

535 Berrien Street | Savannah, GA 31401

Pastor Vernon Galloway, Eulogist | Rev. Matthew Southall Brown, Jr., Presiding

*A Virtuous Woman*



# Obituary

*Who can find a virtuous women?*

*For her price is far above rubies. Proverbs 31:10*

**Gertrude was born October 21, 1921 to her parents, the late Mr. Charlie and Mrs. Phoebe F. Freeman. They were blessed to have four children of which Gertrude was the youngest. They all preceded her in death. Mrs. Mary F. James, Mr. Eddie Freeman and Mrs. Charlesetta F. Dennis.**

**Gertrude was educated in the public schools of Savannah, Chatham County where she attended Maple St. School. She furthered her education and graduated from Madam C J Walker School of Cosmetology.**

**Gertrude married the late Mr. Samuel E. Prince Sr. on June 26, 1943. To this union were born five children. They were married for forty-four years until his death. She had two daughters to proceed her in death. The first was Private Yvonne Phyllis Anderson and Mrs. Saundra Gertrude Williams. Gertrude was a wife, homemaker and mother. She was employed at Memorial Hospital for many years as a central supply clerk until retirement. She joined Union Baptist Church at the age of five. She accepted Christ as her personal Lord and Savior under the leadership of the late Rev. A.D. Dunbar. Gertrude loved her church and cherished her family. It showed in all her ways. She was the epitome of a true missionary.**

**Gertrude has always visited the sick and shut in by doing whatever she could for them at home, hospital or nursing home until her health declined. Sis. Gertrude Prince worked tirelessly with the Sunday School, Deaconess Mission Ministry, Berean Missionary Association as well as the Mothers Board. Sis. Gertrude Prince was appointed Mother of the Church by former, Pastor Matthew Southall Brown Jr. until she requested to become Mother Emeritus.**

**Mother Gertrude Prince was a member of the Order of Eastern Star Ruth Chapter #3 for Forty-Five years. His Lord said unto him, "well done, thy good in faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things; enter into the joy of the Lord."- Matthew 25:23. The lord God almighty saw fit to call Mother Gertrude Freeman Prince from labor to reward on Monday evening, October 30, 2023.**

**Mother Prince leaves to cherish her memories, her loving and devoted family, Stewart Samuel E. (Ruth) Prince, Sis. Denise P. (Deacon Jimmie) Boatright, and Deborah Prince Copeland, all of Savannah, Georgia. Seven grandchildren, Mrs. Phyllis (Harry) Lemon, Mrs. Felshica (Micheal) Jackson, Mrs. Yalonda Best, Mr. Garrard Allen, Mr. Vincent Waits, Mr. Na'eem Prince, all of Savannah, Georgia, and Mr. Javon Prince of Houston, Texas. Fifteen great grands and twelve great-great grands; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.**

# *Order of Service*

*Celebration of Life Ceremony for Mother Gertrude Freeman Prince.*

*Organ Prelude*

*Presiding*

*Rev. Matthew Southall Brown, Jr.*

*Processional*

*Clergy Deacons, Deaconesses,  
Mothers Board and Family*

*Prayer of Comfort*

*Pastor Gregory Lordnum  
Bethel AME Church*

*Scriptures:*

*Old Testament*

*Rev. Alfreddie Mingledorff*

*New Testament*

*Pastor Stanley E. Royal  
New Beginnings Baptist Church*

*Selection*

*FUMBC Choir*

*Tributes (two minutes, please)*

*A Church Member*

*Dea. Jimmie Boatright*

*Church Mother*

*Julia Barnes*

*A Teacher*

*Deaconess Shavondra Caesar*

*As a Neighbor*

*Minister Pamela Pinckney*

*Ruth Chapter #3*

*Past Worthy Matron Phyllis Garrison*

*Solo*

*First Lady Sandra Galloway*

*Family Tributes*

*Rev. Elijah Gregory, A'real Grant,  
Evangelist Jestine Marshall,  
Ms. Yalonda Best*

*Obituary*

*Read Silently-Soft Music*

*Acknowledgments and Resolution*

*Sis. Barbara Gadson*

*Solo*

*Sis. Gail Dudley*

*Eulogy*

*Pastor Vernon Galloway*

*Benediction*

*Recessional*

## *Interment*

*Bonaventure Cemetery-Greenwich Section 330 Bonaventure Rd., Savannah, GA 31404*

*Final Rites: Ruth Chapter #3 Order of the Eastern Stars*

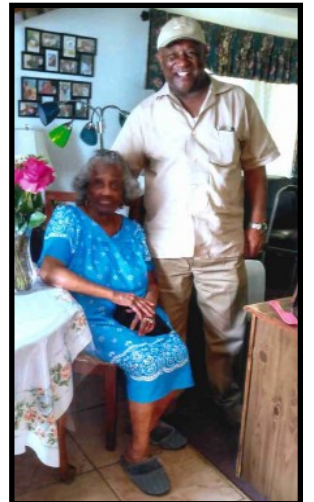
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## *Repast*

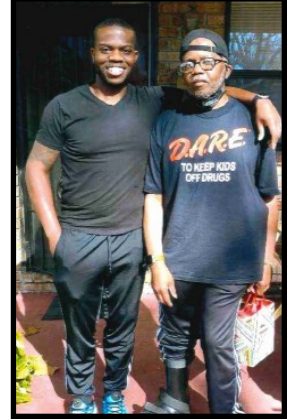
*Please join the family for the hour of fellowship at the May St. YMCA*

*1110 May St. Savannah, GA 31401*











# Precious



# Memories



# Heaven Needed Mom

*So many things of Mom I miss  
Her gentle hug and tender kiss.  
I still feel her warm embrace  
And picture yet her loving face.  
A mother's task are never done  
And heaven must have needed one  
For angels came and took her hand  
And lead her to God's promise land  
Although there is sadness, this I know  
She's waiting there, her face aglow*

*I close my eyes and I can see  
Her arms still open wide for me.  
~Love Eternally, Your Children~*



# *Acknowledgements*

*The Family of Mother Gertrude Prince wish to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many acts of kindness and expressions of love, concerns and calls shown to them during the illness and their hour of bereavement. May God forever bless and keep you in our prayers. Special thanks to Georgia Hospice Care of Savannah; Caregivers- Ms. Deidra Nelson, Ms. Erin Toner, Ms. Diane Hall; Pastor, Officers and Members of First Union Missionary Baptist Church; Pastor, Officers and Members of Bethel AME Church; and to the Pastor, Officers and Members of Living Hope Community Fellowship.*

## *Active Pallbearers*

Vincent Waits  
Javon Prince  
Lorenzo Williams

Na'eem Prince,  
JaDon Andrews,  
Michael Jackson

## *Honorary Pallbearers*

*FUMBC Deacons*



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