The Celebration of Love Service For





Monday, December 5, 2022 at Eleven O'clock in the Morning St. Matthews Episcopal Church 1401 Martin Luther King, Jr., Boulevard Savannah, Georgia 31415 The Rev. Father Guillermo A. Arboleda

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Proverbs 3:17 "Her ways are pleasant ways, and all her paths are peaceful."

Carmelita Suzanne Maynard, affectionately known as "Carmie" was born October 25, 1949 in Savannah, Georgia at the historic Charity Hospital. Her parents, Alfred and Thelma Maynard loved her dearly as they guided her through life.

Carmelita was a lifelong educator and learner. She attended Savannah-Chatham County public schools and was a proud graduate of the 1967 class of Alfred Ely Beach High School. Carmelita continued her education and graduated in 1971 from St. Augustine College in Raleigh, North Carolina. Later, she received her Master's degree in Social Work from the University of Georgia.

Carmie used her God given talents and gifts throughout life. She thoroughly enjoyed teaching children with disabilities in the Savannah Chatham County School System. She served the Savannah community as a Social Worker for DFACS for over 20 years. Her volunteer service as a counselor and board member at Rape Crisis Center and Economic Opportunity Authority assisted many Savannahnians in achieving positive life outcomes.

Carmelita was an active member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated for over 23 years. She served on many committees and attended numerous conferences and clusters. She carried her "AKA" spirit everywhere she went.

Always concerned about her neighbors and community, Carmelita served as President of the Cann-Jackson Park Neighborhood Association.

"The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my strength" was one of Carmelita's mantras. She loved her church and her church family. A dedicated and faithful member, Carmelita served St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in several capacities. She was a Vestry person, the first female Junior Warden, and an outstanding Senior Warden. She was a member of the Episcopal Church Women, Daughters of the King, St. Mary's Guild, and sang in the choir. Her love for children was exemplified in her leadership, advisement, and organization with the Sunday School and the Episcopal Youth and Children Services of St. Matthew's and the Diocese of Georgia. To enhance her love of God and Christian life, Carmelita completed her Cursillo at Honey Creek.

#### Maya Angelou said,

" I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will not forget how you made them feel." This exemplified Carmelita's character and her ability to touch the lives of others. Her passion for all children was the highlight of her life. She provided guidance, shelter, finance and most of all love. Carmelita was affectionately known as "Ms. Chancellor" by her family and friends because of her etiquette correctness, trend setting wardrobe and style, and polished communication skills. She was referred to by her sister as "Divalicious"

Carmelita, a social butterfly. She did not meet strangers and gave love to all.

*Carmie enjoyed traveling, talking with people in-person and especially on the telephone, and just socializing.* 

God in his infinite wisdom asked his angel Carmelita to join him on Saturday, November 26, 2022.

She leaves to celebrate and cherish her memories: a loving and devoted sister, Altheria Yvonne Myrtis Maynard; grand aunt, Lucille Wright (103); aunts, Majorie Luten and Josie M. Maynard; godchildren, Alexia Luten, Lee Pearson, Jr., Corey Taylor, Amanda Greene, Grace Luten, Nicole Fowles, Tony Bryan Luten, Kimora Sherman, Rion Williams, Jr., Jeremy Luten, Ayden Luten, and Chloe Greene; godbrothers, David Parker, Price Cobbs, Jr.; godsisters, Evadne Roberts, Margaret Anne Pearson, Marion Renata Cobbs-Fletcher, Angels Sisters, AKA Line Sisters, and a host of cousins and lifelong friends.

# Carmelita Suzanne Maynard (1949-2022) Burial Eucharist

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church Monday, December 5, 2022, at 12:00 noon



The Opening Anthem (BCP, 491) The Collect of the Day (BCP, 493) Isaiah 25:6-9 Ms. Evadne Roberts Psalm 121 (BCP, 779) Mr. Lee Pearson, Jr. Revelation 7:9-17 Mrs. Margaret Anne Pearson "Everything Must Change" Ms. Comia Flynn & Mr. Spencer White Matthew 11:25-30 The Rev. Charles L. Hoskins The Rev. Guillermo A. Arboleda The Sermon The Apostles' Creed (BCP, 496) Prayers for the Departed Ms. Paulette Dockery Wynn "What About the Children?" Ms. Paulette Sibert & Mr. Spencer White The Peace, Announcements, and The Offertory LEV #120: Sweet, Sweet Spirit Eucharistic Praver A (BCP, 361) (BCP, 364) The Lord's Prayer ~Communion of the People~ LEV #154: Taste and See **Postcommunion Prayer** (BCP, 498) The Hon. Judge Orion L. Douglas A Eulogy Acknowledgements Ms. Altheria Maynard "Trouble of the World" St. Matthew's Choir (BCP, 499) The Commendation The Blessing of the People The Dismissal (BCP, 500) LEV #188: It Is Well

#### Acknowledgements & Abbreviations:

Ministers: The Rev. Guillermo A. Arboleda, *Rector*; The Rev. Ella Roundtree-Davis, *Deacon*; and the Rev. Charles L. Hoskins, *Rector Emeritus* Music Director: Ms. Beryl C. Dandy BCP: *The Book of Common Prayer* (red book) Hymn: *The Hymnal 1982* (blue book) LEV: *Lift Every Voice and Sing II* (black and red book)

> ~ Burial and Committal at Laurel Grove South Cemetery immediately following the service~



"Her Tourney

Just Begun"

Her Journey's Just Begun Don't think of her as gone away, her journey's just begun, Life holds so many facets, this earth is only one, Just think of her as resting, from the sorrows and the tears, In a place of warmth and comfort, where there are no days or years, Think how she must be wishing, that we could know today, How nothing but our sadness, can really pass away, And think of her as living, in the hearts of those she touched, For nothing loved is ever lost, and she was loved so much.











#### Active Pallbearers

Jonathan NewtonAnthony WilliamsPaul BerksteinerLee Grant Pearson, Jr.The Professional Staff of Adams Funeral Home, Inc.

### Honorary Pallbearers



Class of 1967, Alfred E. Beach High School Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.



## Acknowledgement

The Word of God says, "Blessed are they that mourn for they shall be comforted." During our time of loss, this promise has been fulfilled in unmeasurable ways by all of our kind and loving friends and neighbors. The family of Carmelita Suzanne Maynard thanks each of you for your kindness and generosity. Thank you for your prayers, thoughts, calls, and visits. The manifestation of Christ through you aided in encouraging us and easing our sorrow. Your unselfishness, and all your efforts during this time have not gone unnoticed and may God bless each of you and the Angels in Heaven smile on you and give you peace.

The Family

Afterglow

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one. I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done. I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways, Of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days. I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun; Of happy memories that I leave when life is done.

...Helen Lowrie Marshall

Final arrangements for our loved one entrusted to: **Adams Funeral Services, Inc.** "Your Loved Ones Deserve the Very Best" 510 Stephenson Ave. Savannah, Georgia 31405 (912) 354-6260



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