Acknowledgement

The Family would like to express their sincere appreciation for the thoughts, comforting words, calls, prayers, cards, flowers, and all expressions of kindness during this difficult time. May God continue to Bless you.

Weep Not for Me

When I come to the end of the road, And the sun has set for me, I want no rites in gloom-filled rooms, Why cry for a soul set free?

Miss me a little—but not too long, And not with your head bowed low; Remember the love that we once shared Miss me—but let me go.

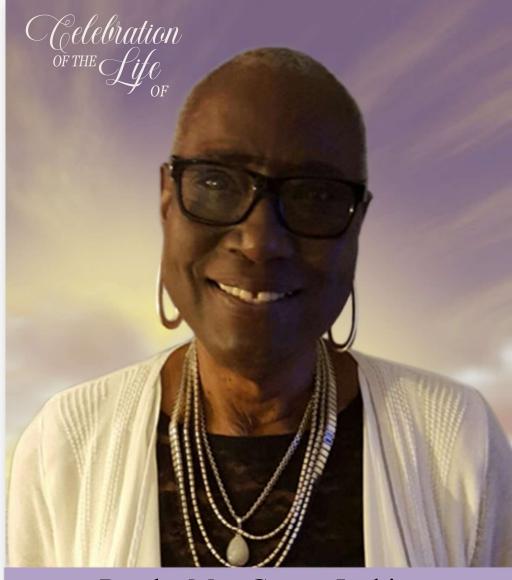
For this is a journey that we all must take, And each must go alone. It's all a part of the Master's plan, A step on the road to home.

When you are lonely and sick at heart, Go to the friends we know, And busy your sorrows in doing good deeds. Miss me – but let me go.

~Betty Miller

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Reatha Mae Govan Jenkins

AUGUST 10, 1943 ~ JANUARY 17, 2022

~Memorial Service~
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2022 ~ 2:00 PM
MARLAN J. GARY FUNERAL HOME
Chapel of Peace East

5456 E. Livingston Avenue Columbus, Ohio

Bishop Donald J. Washington, Pastor Mount Hermon Missionary Baptist Church

Obituary

Order of Service

Reatha Mae Govan Jenkins, daughter of the late George and Ethnell Govan was born on August 10, 1943, in Orangeburg, South Carolina.

Reatha moved to New York at an early age and graduated from Central Commercial High School. She met and married George Allen Jenkins and had their only child, Sharon.

Later in life she returned to school and received her bachelor's degree from the College of New Rochelle. Reatha worked for the New York City Department of Social Service, New York City Human Resource Administration, The Bureau of Security Services, (BOSS) as a Shelter Security Manager and retired from the New York City Department of Homeless Services as the Superintendent of Shelters.

After retirement she joined Centempo Travels and Tours and combined her love of family, traveling, and music with cruises to the Caribbean and Europe, with her favorite Jazz, R&B and Caribbean entertainers. Although it took some years of convincing Reatha, she finally made her way to Columbus, Ohio to be chauffeured, pampered, loved on by her three heartbeats (Aaliyah, AJ, and Adam) and the Slappy and Gatewood families.

Reatha believed God's grace and mercy carried her through all of life's challenges and truly believed she had a life well lived.

She is preceded in death by parents, George and Ethnell Govan; stepfather, David Halley; sisters; Georgia Mae Govan Brockett and Mossie Ann Govan Bentley; former husband, George Allen Jenkins; and niece Beatrice Cassandra Brockett.

Reatha leaves to cherish her memory her daughter Sharon (Anthony) Slappy; nieces; Deborah Brockett (John) Brown, Pamela Brockett: nephews, Larry Brockett, and Charles Arius Bentley (Iyesha Chestnut): grandnephews Cory (Sierra) Brockett and Romell (Alicia) Brocket, brother-in-law Stanley Jenkins: sister-in-law Ingrid William-Scott; grandchildren, Aaliyah, Nicole Slappy, Anthony Jamal Slappy and Adam Christopher Slappy; Lifelong friends Jeanne Banks, Angela Smith, and Carl (Julie) Bartlett, family-in-love Peggy Ann Gatewood, Joseph (Rachel) Slappy and a host of other family and friends.

| | MUSIC PRELUDE | Chapel of Peace Music Ministry |
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| | Old Testament | MinisterPsalm 23II Timothy 4:6-8 |
| | PRAYER OF COMFORT | Ministered Selected |
| | MINISTRY IN SONG | Chapel of Peace Music Ministry |
| | HER HEART BEATS | Aaliyah |
| | | A.Jamal Adam |
| | READING OF OBITUARY | Read Silently |
| | MINISTRY IN SONG | Bro. Ron Mapp |
| The Eulogy | | |
| | BISHOP DONALD J. WASHINGTON, PASTOR | |
| Mount Hermon Missionary Baptist Church | | |
| | BENEDICTION | Bishop Washington |
| | RECESSIONAL | Cleray, Family & Friends |



I am the resurrection and the life: He that believeth in me though he were dead yet shall he live. And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. John 11:25-26