

## Acknowledgements

The family of Deaconess Juanita Rudolph Holmes wishes to express deep appreciation and sincere thanks to their many friends for their kind expressions of sympathy and all acts of kindness shown during this time of bereavement. May God Bless Each of You.

The Family

## Pallbearers

Nephews, Cousins and Friends

## Floral Attendants

Ushers of the Church and Friends of the Family

## Service of Interment

Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery  
906 Pennick Road  
Brunswick, GA 31525

## Repast

First Nazareth Missionary Baptist Church  
1023 West 44th Street  
Savannah, GA 31405



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# Celebrating THE LIFE OF



## Mrs. Juanita R. Holmes

Sunrise: September 17, 1948 ~ Sunset: September 6, 2025

Saturday, September 13, 2025 | 11 AM  
FIRST NAZARETH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH  
1023 West 44th Street | Savannah, GA 31405

# Obituary

"Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies." Proverbs 31:10

On Saturday, September 6, 2025 God who is all powerful, all knowing and all seeing decided to pick a precious flower from life's garden. Juanita Rudolph Holmes known to her family as "Sista" was born on September 17, 1948 in Woodbine, GA. She was the daughter of the late Johnny and Eliza Rudolph and the sister to Virginia Curry Davis of Savannah, GA and the late Minister Levertist Rudolph. Juanita became a Christian servant and was a member of Gethsemane Baptist Church during her childhood while living in Woodbine, GA.

Juanita attended Camden County public schools. She graduated from Ralph J. Bunche High School, Class of 1966. Upon completion of her high school education, Juanita attended and graduated from Savannah State University. While attending Savannah State, Juanita was inducted into Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated. Shortly thereafter Juanita attended and graduated from John Marshall Law School. Juanita then began teaching in the public school system in Richmond Hill, GA. While teaching in the Bryan County Public Schools, Juanita decided to pursue a Master's Degree from Armstrong State University. Juanita relocated to Savannah, GA and began an education career with the Chatham County Public Schools that would span over thirty years of dedicated service. Her roles in the school system included being a teacher, after-school coordinator, summer school coordinator and assistant principal. During these years Juanita touched the lives of many students across generations. Upon retiring from the Chatham County school system, Juanita pursued a career in real estate and became a licensed real estate broker.

While living in Savannah, Juanita continued her Christian journey by joining First Nazareth Missionary Baptist Church. Juanita was a devoted Christian and had an active role in the church choir, in Sunday School as a teacher, secretary, and superintendent. Juanita was also a member of First Nazareth Missionary Baptist Church mission, Tribe of Levi, the mission president and the kitchen ministry. During the summers, Juanita also worked with the church vacation bible school. Juanita was an ordained Deaconess of First Nazareth Missionary Baptist Church. Juanita truly was a child of God and loved the Lord. When she was faced with a problem, her response was "I will take this to the Lord in prayer."

Juanita was a faithful and loving wife to Roosevelt Holmes of Brunswick, GA for forty-nine years. To this union two children were born Roosevelt (Rachel) Holmes of Raleigh, North Carolina and Dr. Deanna Holmes of Virginia. The children were reared with Godly love and devotion at First Nazareth Missionary Baptist Church.

Juanita leaves to cherish her memory, her husband, Roosevelt Holmes; children, Roosevelt Holmes, Jr. (Rachel) and Dr. Deanna Holmes; two grandchildren, Logan Holmes and Ryan Holmes; sister, Virginia Curry Davis of Savannah GA; nephews, Christopher Middleton of Savannah, GA, Lee Curry (Jasmine) of Savannah, GA and the late Minister Levertist Rudolph. Juanita was blessed with a host of cousins across the Lucas, Hill, and Rudolph family, with whom she shared special bonds with individually. Through marriage Juanita also gained an extended family, the Holmes. She truly was a daughter to her mother-in-law, the late Otha Lee Holmes Clements, and late fathers-in-law, Ernest Clements and Joseph Lee Harris. Juanita also maintained strong loving ties to her husband's sisters, brothers, cousins and family friends.

Juanita loved her flowers and appreciated the representation of God's art through the beauty of nature. Juanita respected God as the head of her life and lived that way in her earthly life. Juanita Rudolph Holmes was called home by her Heavenly Father on Saturday September 6, 2025.

## Celebration of Life

For

*Mrs. Juanita Rudolph Holmes*

## Order of Service

Rev. Janice Swan-Butts, Presiding

**Prelude**

**Processional**

**Scripture**

**Old Testament**

**New Testament**

**Prayer**

**Musical Selection**

**First Nazareth Missionary Baptist Church**

**Favorite Scripture**

**Mother Barbara R. King**

**Obituary, Soft Music**

**Read Silently**

**Reflections:**

**As a God Mother**

**Sis. Florrie Scriven**  
First Nazareth Missionary Baptist Church

**As a Deacon**

**Deacon Eddie Sampson**  
First Nazareth Missionary Baptist Church

**As a Neighbor**

**Mr. Fred Reynolds**

**Musical Selection**

**First Nazareth Missionary Baptist Church**

**Resolutions/Acknowledgements**

**Sis. Lisa Sampson**

**Musical Selection**

**First Nazareth Missionary Baptist Church**

**Eulogy**

**Rev. Willie Jones**

**Recessional**

