

Internment

Ferncliff Cemetery

501 West McCreight Avenue - Springfield, OH 45504

Pallbearers

Devon Perry - Michael D. Upshaw Sr. - Brandon Frye
Michal D. Upshaw Jr. - Ronniell Jones - Mark Drew

Honorary Pallbearer

Michael Upshaw

Acknowledgement

The family would like to thank Affinity and the Oakwood Skill Nursing floor. Thanks to Masonic Home Assisted Living and Friends Community Care Center of Yellow Springs. We would like to thank Mt Zion Baptist Church family and friends, along with the Marlan Gary Funeral Home, The Chapel of Peace.

HOMEGOING CELEBRATION FOR

A portrait of Roberta R. Upshaw, a woman with short, dark, curly hair, wearing a dark blue jacket over a white collared shirt. She is smiling slightly and looking towards the camera. The background is a soft-focus arrangement of white and blue flowers.

Roberta R. Upshaw

SUNRISE
OCTOBER 7, 1933

SUNSET
APRIL 4, 2026

SATURDAY – APRIL 18, 2026

VISITATION: 11:00 AM
SERVICE: 12:00 PM

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
1171 SOUTH YELLOW SPRINGS STREET
SPRINGFIELD, OH 45506



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OBITUARY

Roberta R. Upshaw, 92, of Springfield, Ohio, passed away. She was at The Oakwood Skilled Living Facility. She was born in Springfield, Ohio, on October 7, 1933, to the late Benjamin and Dollie Upshaw.

Roberta retired from Wright-Patterson AFB after 45+ years. A graduate of Springfield South High School. She was a longtime member of Mt. Zion Baptist Church. She was the church clerk for 50+ years and also served on the trustee board for 50+ years. The church just retired her from the position of church clerk; we, the family, knew that she really took pride in being the church clerk and on the trustee board.

Roberta sang not only in the church choirs but also in many other choirs at other churches and around the city.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brother: Benjamin Upshaw, and one nephew: Glen Andrews (Cincinnati, Ohio).

Roberta leaves behind a *Sister*: Mary Upshaw, living in Yellow Springs, Ohio at Friends Community Care Center. She has several *Nieces* and *Nephews*: Michael Upshaw (Dayton, Ohio), Nina Clark (Springfield, Ohio), Roberta Upshaw-Perry (Yellow Springs, Ohio), Terry Darby and Benneta Davis of Springfield, Ohio and Cathy Upshaw (South Carolina). She has several *Great* and *Great-Great Nieces* and *Nephews*.. including three *Special Nieces*: Terry Darby, Michelle Upshaw- Jones and Kamilah Darby; we give them special thanks for caring for their Aunt from her earlier sick times until her death.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Pastor Cheryl Powers
Pastor Mt Zion Baptist Church - Officiating Minister

ORGAN PRELUDE

SCRIPTURE READING.....Pastor Cheryl Powers
Old Testament: Psalm 23
New Testament: John 14: 1-3

PRAYER..... Pastor Hattie Millender

SELECTION.....James Bacon
"Midnight Cry"

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/CONDOLENCES

READING OF OBITUARY.....Read Silently
Soft Music

SELECTION..... Par Tolliver
"My Soul is Anchored"

THE EULOGY
Pastor Michael Young
Mt. Zion Baptist Church

BENEDICTION.....Pastor Cheryl Powers

RECESSIONAL.....Clergy, Family and Friends