

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF BOBBIE PETTIFORD

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family of Bobbie Pettiford wishes to express their sincere and heartfelt appreciation for every act of kindness shown during this time of loss. Thank you for your prayers, calls, visits, cards, flowers, and words of comfort and encouragement.

Your love and support have been a source of strength to the family, and your presence has meant more than words can express. May God bless each of you for helping to carry the family through this difficult time.

With heartfelt gratitude,
THE FAMILY OF BOBBIE PETTIFORD

SPECIAL THANKS D.C. Rankine FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENT

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Immediately following service



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SEPTEMBER 4, 1957 - JULY 29, 2026

Tuesday August 18th at 10:00 am
New Mercies Christian Church
4000 Five Forks Trickum Rd SW, Lilburn, Ga 30047





I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free.
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard him call;
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day, to laugh,
to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way;
I found that place at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void, then
fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss;
Ah yes, these things, I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow;
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much; Good friends,
good times, a loved ones touch.

Perhaps my time seems all too brief;
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now,

HE SET ME FREE.

*B*obbie Jean Pettiford, age 68, of Decatur, Georgia, passed away on July 29, 2026. She was born on November 4, 1957, in Plainfield, New Jersey, to her loving mother, Christine Pettiford.

From an early age, Bobbie embraced life with a sense of adventure and joy. She found true love at a young age and married the love of her life, Glen Goins.

Bobbie was preceded in death by her mother, Christine Pettiford; her beloved son Kasette; and her husband, Glen.

Bobbie's adventurous spirit led her to an exciting career in the airline and travel industries. In the early 1980s, she began working for Eastern Airlines, and later joined American Express. Her career with American Express brought her to Georgia, where she would ultimately make her home and build a life filled with family, faith, friendship, and love.

After relocating to Stone Mountain, Georgia, Bobbie devoted her life to Christ and became an active and faithful member of New Birth Missionary Baptist Church. Her faith was an important part of who she was, and she found great joy in serving others. She especially loved working with children and youth. With her warm heart, patience, and nurturing spirit, Bobbie touched the lives of hundreds of young people throughout the years.

Her love for children eventually led her to become a caregiver for the Hoffenberg family, where she lovingly cared for their three children, Gabe, Temma, and Bennett.

To know Bobbie was to know someone who brought energy, laughter, and joy wherever she went. She was known to be the life of the party. Her vibrant personality, generous heart, and adventurous spirit created countless memories that will be cherished by all who knew her.

Bobbie's greatest legacy is not simply in the places she traveled or the careers she held, but in the people she loved, the children she nurtured, the lives she touched, and the memories she created. She will be deeply missed, but her love, laughter and spirit will live on through her family and all those fortunate enough to have known her.

She leaves to cherish her memory her daughter, Nisha Harden (Roderick); daughter-in-law, Brittany Goins (Kasette); granddaughters, Janiah Smith and Alyssa Harden; grandsons, Fuerquan Kaleb Goins; along with extended family, friends, and countless loved ones whose lives she touched.

Though her earthly journey has come to an end, Bobbie's love and legacy will remain in the hearts of those who knew and loved her.

Forever loved. Forever remembered. Forever in our hearts.



ORDER *of* SERVICE

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL

SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament: Isaiah 40:28–31 | Leroy Lamar III

New Testament: Romans 8:35, 37–39 | E.D. Long, Jr.
The Long Center for G.O.D.

PRAYER

Elder Michelle Smith
New Mercies Christian Church

SELECTION

Tasha Smith-Coichy
"Goodness of God"

INFORMAL TRIBUTES

Two minutes each

OBITUARY

Silent Reading

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Pamela Snowden

EULOGY

Pastor Jesse Curney III
New Mercies Christian Church

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL

Request

Founder's Hall
New Mercies Christian Church

