Order Of Service

Facilitator
Elder Georgia Bouie

Opening Prayer
Elder Georgia Bouie

The Message From The Scriptures
Old Testament Scripture (Psalm 34:18 TPT)
New Testament Scripture (John 14:27 AMP)
Lathia Bland

Musical Selection
"Don't Cry For Me" Tomika Arnold-Carter

Acknowledgements/ Cards
Elder Georgia Bouie

Reflections and Expressions of Love
Limit 2 Minutes, Please

Tribute to Our Mother
Shameia Lemons, Sherita Simpson, Felicia Hopkins

Tribute to Our Sister
Siblings - Joyce Hopkins-Charles

Tribute to My Best Friend
Dada Vines

Tribute to Our Aunt
Nieces & Nephews - Cassandra Lewis

All others are welcome to express remarks
during the repast immediately following the service.

Silent reading of the Obituary

Musical Selection
"I Need You Now" Tomika Arnold-Carter

The Eulogy
Elder Michael Bouie

Benediction
Elder Michael Bouie

Recessional
Tami Hayes

Pallbearers

Dwayne Goodson
Gervan Hopkins
Josiah Simpson
Shamar Lemons
Matthew Hopkins
Arthur Brown

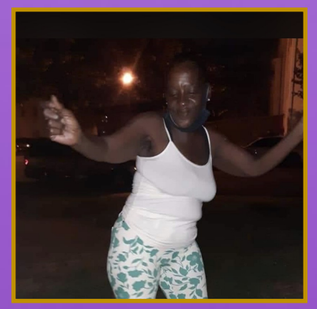
Floral Bearers

Nieces

Acknowledgement

The family of Annette Hopkins extends our sincere gratitude to Apostles Tony and Cynthia Brazelton, the VCMI Church family, and our beloved family and friends for your prayers, love, kindness, and support during our time of bereavement. Your compassion has brought us comfort and strength, and we pray God's continued blessings, grace, and favor upon each of you.

Please sign the virtual guestbook to share a special memory or photos.





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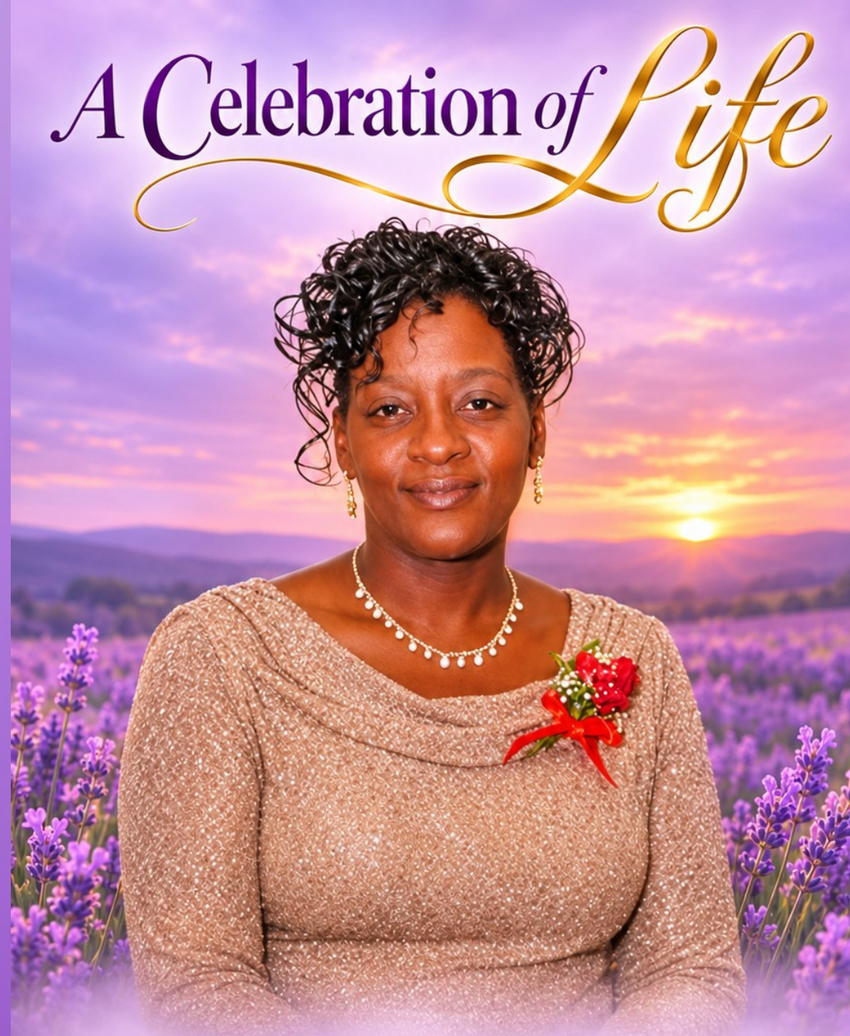

Annette Hopkins

AUGUST 5, 1961 | OCTOBER 26, 2026

Saturday, November 7, 2026

VIEWING: 10AM | CELEBRATION OF LIFE: 11AM

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Remembering Annette

65 Years of Love, Laughter, Family, and Unforgettable Memories

With profound sadness and hearts filled with love, we celebrate the life of **Annette Hopkins**, affectionately known as “Nette” and “Ant Ant,” who peacefully departed this life on October 26, 2026, at the age of 65. Born in Charlottesville, Virginia, with her twin sister Antoinette, Annette was the beloved daughter of the late Thomas Henry Hopkins Sr. and Annie Mae Banks. She was lovingly raised by her godmother, the late Viola Starks Goodson. Annette attended Eastern High School in Washington D.C., where she continued the journey that would shape the woman so many would come to love and cherish.

She was known for her generous heart, vibrant personality, and unwavering devotion to family and friends. She worked at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in Washington, D.C. and spent much of her life caring for others as a homemaker, caregiver, babysitter, dog walker, and talented hair braider. Whether offering a helping hand, a listening ear, or words of encouragement, Annette made everyone feel loved and valued.

If there was one thing everyone could agree on, it was that Annette was the life of the party! A true social butterfly, Annette loved music, dancing, sewing, and spending time with those she cherished. Her laughter, energy, and unforgettable expressions, including **“Walking ain’t crowded,” “One thing for sure, two things for certain,” “Now let that be the reason,”** and **“BA-BY!”** brought joy to all who knew her.

Above all, Annette treasured her family and beloved dog Yappy. She leaves to cherish her memory her loving daughters, **Shameia Lemons, Sherita Simpson** and her devoted husband, **Delondre Simpson**, whom Annette lovingly embraced as her son-in-love, and **Felicia Hopkins**; eight beloved grandchildren, **Brianna Lemons, Keyondre Green, Josiah Simpson, Shamar Lemons, Jada Simpson, Jase Simpson, Randy (RJ) Hopkins,** and **Jasmine Hopkins**.

Annette also leaves behind to cherish her memories, a large and devoted family of siblings: Thomas Hopkins Jr., Conrad Hopkins (Sheila), Joyce Ann Hopkins-Charles (Charles), Virginia Hamilton, Shelton Walls-Bey, Antoinette Ford, Vickie Wiley, Sammie Brooks (Kevin), David Hopkins (Patricia), Dwayne Goodson (Heike), Jean Hopkins, Samuel L. Jones (Antuenet), Carkeishia Withers (Daryl), Lathia Bland (Maurice), Gervan Hopkins, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, extended family members, whom she loved dearly.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Ronald Deny; bonus mother, Patricia Hopkins; Godmother, Viola "Bae-Bae" Starks Goodson, maternal Grandmother, Susie Banks; Grandmother, Esther Louise (Blackwelder) Starks; paternal Grandparents Sim & Mattie Hopkins; siblings, Charlene Hopkins, Calvin Starks, James Hopkins, and Patricia "LuLu" Lemons, and treasured nephews, Shaun Hopkins and Conrad “Scoop” Hopkins, who welcomed her into eternal rest.

Annette’s life was a beautiful reminder that the greatest gifts we leave behind are not material possessions but the love we give, the lives we touch, and the memories we create. Though she will be deeply missed, her laughter will be remembered, her resilience admired, her dancing will be imagined, her sayings will be repeated, and her love will remain a part of every heart she touched. There will never be another Annette. Her place in this family and in the hearts of those who loved her can never be replaced.

"One thing for sure, two things for certain... you will never be forgotten. Now let THAT be the reason, BA-BY!" ♥

Remember Me

Remember me with smiles not tears,
For all the joy, through all the years.
Recall a "closeness" that was ours,
A love as sweet as fragrant flowers.

Don't dwell on thoughts that cause you pain,
We'll see each other once again,
I am at peace...try to believe,
It was my time...I had to leave.

But "what a view" I have from here,
I see your face, I feel you near,
I follow you throughout the day,
You're not alone along the way.

And when God calls you...you will be,
Right by my side...right here with me,
Till then, I'll wait by heaven's door,
We'll be united...evermore.

By Genie Graveline

