

# Precious MEMORIES



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Order of the Eastern Star  
Jehovah Jireh Life Ministries Ushers

## Expression Of Gratitude

Please know that the family of Betty Jean Richmond has been deeply blessed by your acts of kindness and support during the passing of our dear loved one. Your presence, calls, visits, gifts prayers and all acts of compassion will always be a beacon of hope and a strong pillar of faith for our lives. May God forever bless and keep you. Special thanks to Oak Harbor Mt. Pleasant Staff and Amedisys Hospice of West Columbia Staff.

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A CELEBRATION  
OF LIFE FOR

*Betty Jean*  
BENNETT  
RICHMOND

SUNRISE JANUARY 05, 1943      SUNSET FEBRUARY 10, 2025

Monday, February 17, 2025 | 1:00 P.M.  
MINISTRIES OF TRUTH TABERNACLE  
1169 Old Church Road | Cordesville, South Carolina  
*Pastor H.E. Dixon, Pastor*  
*Elder Jesse Simmons, Officiating*



# Betty Jean BENNETT RICHMOND LIFE STORY

Betty Jean Bennett Richmond's life began on January 5, 1943, in Berkeley County, South Carolina. She was the daughter of the late Rose Lee and Mack Bennett Sr. and was the fifth child of this union. On Monday, February 10, 2025, Betty peacefully gained her heavenly wings while surrounded by love of her devoted husband at the residence of her beloved son and daughter in Columbia, SC.

Betty attended the public schools of Berkeley County, where she completed her education. She worked at the First Baptist Church of Moncks Corner for 25 years until she retired in 2004.

Betty was a faithful member of St. James Reformed Episcopal Church where she served faithfully as the secretary for over 20 years. She was also a choir member and a devoted Christian. When the church became Jehovah Jireh Life Ministries under Elder Jesse Simmons, Betty continued to serve faithfully.

Betty was united in Holy Matrimony to Stanley Richmond on June 4, 1962. They shared 62 dedicated years together. Their marriage was blessed with the birth of two children, Ronald and Sandra. Sandra preceded her in death.

Betty was a member of Order of Eastern Star Chapter #161 in Moncks Corner, SC. Betty had a special gift for reciting poems and giving welcome speeches at churches throughout Berkeley County. Many churches loved inviting her to share her words, as she spoke with warmth and love. She also enjoyed cooking, helping in the community. And enjoying the beauty of flowers. Her favorite color was purple.

Those left to cherish her memories are: her devoted husband, Stanley Richmond; one son Ronald Richmond (Veronica) of Columbia SC; grandchildren, Leota Sabrina Rivers and Brandon Richmond of Columbia, SC; three great-grandchildren, Allyiah Rivers-Lipscomb, Amaya Richmond, and Elijah Richmond; one great-great-grandson, Andrew Rivers; one brother, Mack Bennett Jr, of Brooklyn, NY; one brother-in-law, Albert Richmond of Cordesville, SC; a special cousin, Lou Harleston; and a host of nieces, nephews and other extended family members.

Betty was preceded her in death by: brother, Leroy Simmons; and sisters, Anna Bell Doctor, Eloise Thompson and Rebecca Simmons.

## "Heaven's Grocery Store"

By Ron DeMarco

I was walking down life's highway a long, long time ago.  
One day I saw a sign that read, "HEAVEN'S GROCERY STORE."  
As I got a little closer, the door opened wide,  
and I found myself standing inside.

I saw a host of ANGELS. They were standing everywhere.  
One handed me a basket and said, "My Child, shop with care."  
Everything a human needed was in that grocery store. And if you  
couldn't carry it all, you could come back the next day for more.

First, I got some PATIENCE. LOVE was in the same row.  
Further down was UNDERSTANDING,  
you need that everywhere you go.

I got a box or two of WISDOM, a bag or two of FAITH.  
I just couldn't miss the HOLY GHOST, for it was all over the place.

I stopped to get some STRENGTH and COURAGE  
TO HELP ME RUN THIS RACE. By then my basket was getting  
full, but I remembered I needed some GRACE.

I didn't forget SALVATION, for SALVATION was free.  
So I tried to get enough of that to save both you and me.

Then I started up to the counter to pay my grocery bill.  
For I thought I had everything to do the MASTER'S will.

As I went up the aisle, I saw PRAYER; and I just had to put that in,  
for I knew when I stepped outside, I would run into sin.

PEACE and JOY were plentiful; they were last on the shelf.  
SONG and PRAISE were hanging near, so I just helped myself.

Then I said to the angel, "Now, how much do I owe?"  
He smiled again and said, "MY CHILD, JESUS PAID YOUR BILL  
A LONG, LONG TIME AGO."



## Order Of Service

*Elder Jesse Simmons. Officiating*  
Jehovah Jireh Life Ministries

*Pastor Joseph Reid, Presiding*  
Freewill Holiness Church

### PROCESSIONAL

#### HYMN

*"My Hope is Built"*

#### PRAYER

Minster Homer Montgomery

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament - Proverbs 31:10-31  
Minister Clarethia Dessuaso

New Testament - Revelation 21:1-7  
Minister Walter Howard

#### SOLO

Maurice Brown

#### POEM

Sister Veronderlette Whitfield | *Grand Niece*

#### REFLECTIONS

Bro. Jerry Burns | *Community*  
Bro. Stanley Richmond | *Family*  
Sister Millie Simmons | Church

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Sister Felicia Wilson

#### SONG

Bro. Garren Gibbs

#### WORDS OF COMFORT

Elder Jesse Simmons

#### SELECTION

Choir

#### RECESSIONAL

#### COMMITTAL

At the Grave site

#### BENEDICTION

#### INTERMENT

Payne Chapel Cemetery