

## Order of Service

Reverend Clifford Gaymon, Presiding

Prelude ..... Musician  
Processional .....Clergy and Family

### Earth's Final Glimpse

Hymn of Praise ..... **"How Great Thou Art"**

Scripture Readings :

Old Testament ..... Evangelist Tanya L. Spencer  
Holy Temple MBC Opa-Locka, Florida

New Testament ..... Deacon Terry Brailsford  
New Salem MBC Jacksonville, Georgia

Prayer ..... Deacon Harry Pasley  
Antioch Baptist Church Miami, Florida

Solo ..... Sister Beulah Ziegler

### Reflections (Three Minutes Please):

Church ..... Deacon John Tindal

Friend ..... Sister Sylvia Nelson

Family ..... Kia Frierson-Brown

Acknowledgements ..... Sister Melvina Riley

Solo..... Brother Wesley Bennett

Words of Comfort ..... Pastor Clifford Gaymon  
Zion Hill MBC

Selection ..... Choir

Directions of the Funeral Director ..... Samuels Funeral Home

Recessional

Committal

Benediction

Interment .....Calvary & Zion Hill Cemetery

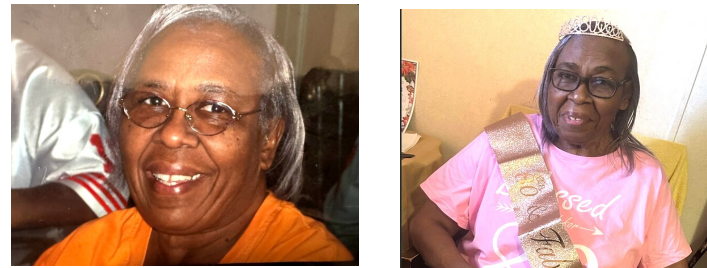


## Floral Bearers

Family and Friends

## Casket Bearers

Family and Friends



## In Appreciation

The family of the late **Helen Jones Brailsford** wishes to express these thoughts:

Words cannot fully express the humility and gratitude we feel toward all our friends who have comforted us during this time of loss. Your prayers, love, presence, and acts of service have sustained us in ways beyond measure. Every card, flower, and gift of food was deeply appreciated, and we recognize them as expressions of God's love, flowing through each of you. For all you have done to console our hearts, we offer our sincerest thanks. May God richly bless you. Special thanks to Mrs. Gloria Taylor (Caretaker), Fresenius Kidney Care Swan Lake Staff, McLeod Regional Medical Center Florence Nephrology (Fourth Floor), Neuroscience (Fourth Floor), and McCleod Hospice House for your care, support, and compassion.

~ Services Entrusted To ~

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Celebrating the Life

of

*Mrs. Helen J. Brailsford*



**Saturday, April 11, 2026**

**Eleven O'clock In the Morning**

**Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church**

**2225 Conyers Rd, Manning, SC**

**Rev. Clifford Gaymon, Pastor**

## Life Reflections

*"We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord."*  
**2 Corinthians 5:8**

**Helen Jones Brailsford**, the eldest of five children and daughter of the late Walter C. and Sarah G. Jones, was born March 31, 1945, in Clarendon County. Four siblings preceded her in death: Morris C. Jones, Albertus Jones Sr., Loretta Daramola, and Walter C. Jones Jr.

In her youth, she sought the need of a personal Saviour and was baptized. Helen was educated in the Clarendon County Public Schools and was a proud graduate of Scotts Branch High School, Class of 1962. She later continued her studies at Allen University. It was after this time that she was united in holy matrimony to Joe Brailsford on April 15, 1968, beginning a lifelong journey of love and partnership.

After relocating to Miami, Florida, she began her career with JCPenney in 1981 as a Catalog Inventory Control Clerk. Through nearly three decades of dedicated service, she became known for her strong work ethic, dependability, and attention to detail. She retired in 2009, leaving a legacy of exceptional service.

A woman of deep faith, Helen was honored as a Lifetime Member of St. Andrew Missionary Baptist Church of Opa Locka, Florida, on May 10, 2009, in recognition of her lifelong dedication and committed service. After building a fulfilling life in Miami, Florida, Joe and Helen returned to Summerton, South Carolina, where they became devoted members of Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church of Paxville, South Carolina. During her time there, she faithfully served as President of the Pulpit Aid Ministry, demonstrating her continued commitment to her church and community.

Beyond her professional and spiritual life, Helen was a devoted wife, a loving mother and grandmother, and a cherished friend whose kindness, strength, and unwavering love for others will always be remembered.

On Friday Morning, April 3, 2026, God Almighty called his faithful servant, **Helen Jones Brailsford**, to rest quietly and peacefully from the toils of this earthly life at McLeod Hospice House in Florence, South Carolina.

**Helen** leaves to cherish her memories, a loving and devoted husband, Joe Brailsford, of 57 years; four loving children, Darrell L. Jones (Anita) of Miami Gardens, Florida, Anthony B. Brailsford (Theresa) of Moncks Corner, South Carolina, Shawn M. Brailsford-Frazier (Eugene) of Jacksonville, Florida, and Tanya L. Spencer (Huntley) of Miami Gardens, Florida; six grandchildren, Darrellrease Jones, Loretta Cummings, Darrica Jones, Ayisha Brailsford, Antionetta Brailsford, and Darrius Jones; 11 great-grandchildren; 4 aunts, Lucretia Brunson, Julia G. Pleasant, Daisy (Herbert) Richburg, and Johnnie Mae Gaymon; a special cousin, Doris Dent; a beloved niece, Kemi Boman-Merritt; 4 sisters-in-law, Dorothy Morant (Jack), Bertha Barron, Jessie Dingle, and Rebecca Pasley (Harry); a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and other beloved relatives and friends.

## In Loving Memory

of

### Helen Jones Brailsford

Sunrise  
March 31, 1945

Sunset  
April 3, 2026



My dear loving family,

I want you to know that I have lived a full and good life, filled with love, faith, and cherished memories. Though I am no longer with you in the way you once held me, I am at peace. I am free from pain and suffering, singing joyfully in Heaven, and once again surrounded by the love of my parents and siblings.

Do not weep for me, my dear ones. Instead, continue to live in faith, loving and supporting one another. Take care of one another, hold each other close, and be there in times of need. To my children, know that I love you deeply and always have. Remember me through all the experiences we have shared, the laughter, the lessons, and the love that will always remain in your hearts. Carry my love with you and honor the life we shared by living with hope, courage, and kindness.

With all my love,  
Helen, Ma, Grandma,  
Auntie Helen, Mother Brailsford

## Tributes

### To My Wife

My beloved wife of 57 years, you were the heart of our family and the mother of our children, shaping their lives with love, wisdom, and unwavering faith. For more than half a century, you were my partner and my greatest blessing through every joy and every challenge. You gave our children guidance, strength, and the example of a life lived with courage and grace. Your love held us together, and your spirit filled our home with warmth, laughter, and faith. Though you have left this world, your love and the life we built together remain with us always, guiding our hearts and inspiring us to live as fully and faithfully as you did.

~Love, Joe "Welven," loving husband

### To Our Mother

Ma, words cannot capture how much we will miss you. You were our guiding light, our comfort, and our strength. Your love shaped us, your faith inspired us, and your laughter filled our lives with joy. You taught us to be kind, to be strong, and to trust in God through every trial. Though you have gone from our sight, your spirit remains with us, guiding our hearts and reminding us of the love you gave so freely. We are who we are because of you, and we will carry your memory and your lessons with us forever. Thank you for being our mother, our teacher, our friend, and our greatest blessing. We Love You.

~Love, Darrell, Anthony, Shawn, and Tanya

### To Our Grandma

Grandma, you saved our lives in ways we can never fully express. You offered us love, guidance, and a safe place to be ourselves. Your arms were always open, your heart always welcoming, and your faith unwavering. You taught us what it means to be strong, to love deeply, and to face life with courage and grace. Because of you, we know the meaning of unconditional love, and your spirit will live in us forever. We are who we are because of you, and we will carry your lessons, your laughter, and your love with us every day.

~Love, your grandchildre

