

The Obituary

Jesus says in John 3:16, “For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.”

On October 30, 2025, God whispered, “**Annanesia**, my child you have fought a good fight, kept the faith, and finished the race. Come home my child and take your rest.”

Annanesia, lovingly known as Anna, was born on October 11, 1955, to the late George King and Sally Elizabeth Pressley.

Annanesia’s legacy endures through the countless lives she touched with her kindness, generosity, and unwavering love for her family and community.

Annanesia was preceded in death by her parents, George King Pressley and Sally Elizabeth Pressley and (sisters) Julia Pressley Smalls and Sheryl Walker.

Annanesia received her education in Williamsburg County Public Schools and proudly graduated from Battery Park High School in 1973, where she was recognized for her active participation in various school activities. Shortly after graduation, she embarked on her professional journey at Tupperware Manufacturing, where she dedicated over forty years of her life before retiring after a fulfilling career.

Annanesia was a devoted member of Mt. Seal United Methodist Church and served on numerous committees, including the Finance Committee, the Staff/Pastor-Parish Relations Committee (SPPRC), and as Chairperson of the Kitchen Committee. She also held the role of Class Leader and served as an usher, a position that was particularly dear to her heart. Through her work as an usher, Anna found joy in connecting with people, allowing her to spread kindness and empathy throughout her community. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her and remembered for her loving spirit and the warmth she brought into the lives of others.

Annanesia is survived by her beloved son, Prescott Pressley of Myrtle Beach, SC; three sisters: Sarah Collins of New York, NY, Mary Pressley (of the home)of Hemingway, SC, and Pertrenia Teresa Pressley of Clarksville, TN; two brothers: David Pressley (Gloria) of Kingstree, SC, and George Pressley (Letha) of Hemingway, SC; one honorary brother: Johnny Mitchell, Hemingway, SC; one uncle, Funnye G. Pressley (Linda) of Goose Creek, SC; and one cherished godson, Maurice Scott (Reese), Florence, SC; one special nephew, Jimmy Merriweather (of the home), Hemingway, SC; her beloved Battery Park Class of ‘73; and a host of beloved and cherished nieces and nephews; cousins; a special cousin Ronald Pressley and five beloved friends, Julie Scott, Catherine Mitchell, Gloria Cantey, Gwen Brown, and Alprecious Pressley. A special friend, Rick Gardner.

Order of Service

Presiding	Rev. Norma Bartelle
Musician	Bernard McClary
Processional	Clergy and Family
Words of Grace	Rev. Cynthia B. Williams
Greeting	Rev. Cynthia B. Williams
Song	Rev. Ernest Frierson
Prayer	Rev. Ernest Frierson
Scripture Readings:	
Old Testament	Elder Ben McClary
New Testament	Rev. John Rogers
Witnesses (<i>Please limit your comments to 3 minutes</i>)	
Church	Julia McFadden
Community	George Pressley
Class of 1973	Carolyn Venner
Family	Evangelist Teresa Pressley
Acknowledgements	Letha Pressley
Solo	Shana Woodberry
Words of Comfort	Rev. Cynthia B. Williams
Solo	Evangelist Teresa Pressley
Affirmation of Faith	No. 881
Prayer of Commendation	
Video Presentation	
Committal, Benediction & Interment	
<i>Mt. Seal United Methodist Cemetery Hemingway, SC 29554</i>	



Farewell Dear Mother

*Somewhere in my heart, beneath the grief and pain,
Is a smile I still wear at the sound of your name.
The precious word is ‘Mother’, she was my world, you see,
But now my heart is breaking, because she’s no longer here with me.
God chose her for His angel to watch me from above,
to guide me and advise me and know that I am loved.
The day she had to leave me, when her life on earth was through.
God had better plans for her, for this, I surely knew.
When I think of her kind heart and all those loving years,
My memories surround me, and I can’t hold back the tears.
She truly was my best friend, someone I could confide in.
She always had a tender touch and a warm and gentle grin.*

*I want to thank you Mother for teaching me so well.
And though the time has come I must bid you this farewell.
I’ll remember all you’ve taught me and make you proud you’ll see.
Thank you, my Dear Mother, for all the love you showed me.*

*Although you’ve left this earth and now you’ve taken flight,
I know that you are here with me each morning, noon, and night.*

*Your beloved son,
Prescott*



For a Sister's Eternal Light

The threads that wove our lives as one,
Are suddenly unspun.
A sudden hush where laughter used to bloom,
A cherished light dimmed in a silent room.
She was the quiet strength, the helping hand,
A love so vast, you'd cross any land.
For us, for all, her heart was open wide,
With selfless grace, she walked with a gentle stride.
She'd give you stars if they were hers to spare,
And ease a burden with a silent prayer.
Kindness personified in every deed,
Planting the gentle, loving seeds we need.
Now, in the stillness of this heavy grief,
We hold the memories in warm relief.
The bond of siblings, a sacred, timeless tie,
That time nor death can ever truly die.
Though tears may fall, and hearts are torn apart,
Her loving spirit lives within each heart.
A sister's love, a beacon, strong and bright,
Guiding us forward through the darkest night.
We carry on the legacy she left,
Of love and kindness, of all else bereft
But joy in knowing such a soul was ours,
A brilliant bloom among life's transient flowers.
May strength be found in days that lie ahead,
In every loving word that she has said.
She's not just gone, she's in the air we breathe,
The love she gave, a legacy we weave.

Written by: Her brothers and sisters



Pallbearers

Class of 1973

Floral Bearers

Class of 1973

Tributes

In Loving Memory of Our Beautiful Aunt Anna

Losing an aunt is heartbreaking. It is one of the deepest sorrows a heart can know. But her goodness, her caring, and her wisdom live on like a legacy of love that will always be with you. Those we love don't go away. They walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard, but always near. So loved, so missed, and so very dear.

*“Just like a Pearl, she was one of a kind.”
We will always love you,
Your nieces and nephews*

Expressions of Gratitude

We, the family of Annanesia Pressley, wish to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all who joined us in celebrating her remarkable life. Your presence and support during this time have meant the world to us.

A special thank you goes to the dedicated staff and nurses at Black River Medical Center in Lake City, SC, and the Neurology ward at McLeod Regional Medical Center in Florence, SC. Your unwavering care and compassion for Annanesia were truly exceptional, and we are deeply appreciative of your efforts.

*Your kindness and support will forever
hold a cherished place in our hearts.*

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A Celebration of Life In Loving Memory of

Annanesia Pressley



From Grace
October 11, 1955

To Glory
October 30, 2025

**Wednesday, November 5, 2025
11:00 A.M.**

**Mt. Seal United Methodist Church
5134 Hemingway Highway
Hemingway, South Carolina 29554**

Reverend Cynthia B. Williams, Officiant