

Pallbearers
NEPHEWS AND COUSINS

Floral Attendants
EASTERN STAR SISTERS

Acknowledgments

As we navigate the quiet that follows Georgia's transition, we are profoundly touched by the way her life's purpose is reflected in your kindness. The shared stories, the compassionate gestures, and gentle comfort each of you have offered, is a steadying presence in this moment. We are deepest grateful to the medical team at WellStar MCG Health Medical Center who showed immense grace and professionalism in their compassionate care for Georgia, providing comfort and dignity to our entire family. To our neighbors and the entire Allendale community, thank you for honoring Georgia with the uplifting prayer vigil and holding her memory in your hearts, just as we do. It is in this shared remembrance that her spirit lives on.

Repast
MT. CALVARY FELLOWSHIP HALL

Services Entrusted To
ALLENDALE COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME
156 Pleasant Street W
ALLENDALE, SOUTH CAROLINA



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SEPTEMBER 2025

RIISING OF THE SUN
NOVEMBER 23, 1949

SETTING OF THE SUN
AUGUST 29, 2025

Georgia
SMART COHEN

THURSDAY | SEPTEMBER 4, 2025 | 11:00AM
MT. CALVARY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
215 Mt Calvary Church Road
Ulmer, SC 29849



To A Loving Wife

Although our worlds are different now
Or is that just how it seems
For I see you when I close my eyes
Because you're always in my dreams

I know you're up in Heaven
And looking down on me
And when I look up at the stars
I know that's where you'll be

Even though I miss you
You're not too far away
Because my heart is full of memories
And I treasure them everyday

Our time on Earth was special
But it's only the very start
So please keep watching over me
While we're not so far apart

Someday the time will come
When I no longer feel this pain
That is the day when Heaven calls
And we will meet again

Your loving husband forever,
Oliver



Order OF SERVICE

PRESIDING
Reverend Glenn Orr

MUSICAL PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL AND FINAL VIEW

HOLY SCRIPTURE READINGS
Reverend Bobby Donaldson
Old Testament ~ Psalm 84:10-12
New Testament ~ Matthew 20:25-28 and Matthew 25:40

PRAYER OF COMFORT
Bishop Tommie Doe

SELECTION
Choir

REFLECTIONS *(three minutes please)*

Neighbor	Deacon William H. Gilyard
Friend/Classmate	Sister Clevetta H. Jackson
Usher	Brother Willie J. Priester
Church Member	Deacon Freddie Moore

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS & CONDOLENCES
Allendale Community Funeral Home

MUSICAL SELECTION
Nathaniel A. Hartley

WORDS OF COMFORT
Pastor Wilbur Hines

COMMITTAL

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL

INTERMENT
Hoover Cemetery
Ulmer, South Carolina

When I Go

When I go
don't learn to live without me
just learn to live with my love
in a different way.

And if you need to see me
close your eyes
or look in your shadow
when the sun shines

I'm there.

Sit with me is in the quiet
and you will know
that I did not leave.

There is no leaving
when one soul is blended
with another.

When I go
don't learn to live without ne
just learn to look for me
in the moments.

I will be there.



**IN MEMORY
OF**
Our Loving Godmother and Auntie

Of all the special gifts in life
however great or small,
to have you as our Aunt
was the greatest gift of all.

May the winds of love blow softly
and whisper in your ear
“We love and miss you
and wish you were here”

Deep in our hearts, your life is kept to love
and cherish, not forget. No more
tomorrows we can share
but yesterdays are always there.

A silent thought, a secret tear
keeps your memory ever near
in our hearts forever.

*Til Death
Do Us Part*



OLIVER & GEORGIA COHEN

...Georgia, more than just an old song...that keeps Georgia on our minds

Georgia Smart Cohen's legacy of kindness, service, and unwavering grace is only a glimpse into the profoundly purposeful life she lives, touching every heart she encounters with her singular elegance and wisdom. To know her is to be touched by her radiant spirit -- a lady who not only checks all the boxes but also creates new ones, setting a standard for all to aspire.

Given her intellect and small-town charm, Georgia could have taken root anywhere. Yet, she chose to dedicate her remarkable talents to our community, making Allendale the beneficiary of her best self. A testament to her belief that true fulfillment lies in nurturing the place you love, and she poured her heart into making our hometown a better place.

Her pursuit of knowledge, a cornerstone of her life, beginning with her formative years at the Allendale Training School complex, and later receiving a diploma from the Historic C.V. Bing High School graduating class of 1968, where she was also voted Miss C.V. Bing. Her academic pursuits led to her studies at Voorhees University earning a bachelor's degree in business administration in 1972. This foundation led to a professional career that spanned a combined 30 plus years in such fields as academia with the Allendale County School System, property management with Pinewood Park, and municipal administration with the Town of Fairfax, SC and Allendale County ALIVE, where her dedication and meticulous attention to detail were evident to all with whom she worked.

Her dedication to her family was unwavering, rooted in the wisdom and biblical foundation passed down through generations. She was the heart of her home, where every detail reflects her love and willful spirit. From the beautifully set dinner tables to the poised grace in her tone, everything Georgia did was a lesson in living with intention. Her well-manicured appearance and immaculate attire were not for show but rather a simple extension of her belief that every moment—and every person—deserved her very best. With Georgia, nothing was ever out of place, because she lived a life of deliberate purpose and grace. She was high society without the fluff, a rare gem of elegance and purpose.

Beyond her family, Georgia's greatest passion was focused on grooming the next generation of young leaders, especially young women. She encouraged them to do their best, sharing her wisdom and inspiring them with her own example -- the mentor who always knew what to say, offering guidance that was both gentle and firm, and always exactly what was needed. Above all, she instilled in them the core principles of integrity and ethical leadership, encouraging them to live with purpose. It is also this deep love for her community that led her to start the Y-Teen Club a youth-based program where she personally mentored young leaders and instilled in them the values, she held so dear.

Her civic engagement resonated with her belief that a strong community is built on the small, consistent efforts of its people, as she dedicates herself to countless initiatives aimed at making a difference no matter how big or small. Whether she was organizing a fundraiser for the local NAACP, volunteering at church, or simply making sure everyone felt included, her actions spoke of a deep and abiding love for her hometown.

For 53 years, 2 months, and 12 days she was one half of an inseparable pair with her husband, Oliver, when they joined in Holy Matrimony June 17, 1972. You almost never saw one without the other, as they built a life and a

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legacy side-by-side. They were a powerful team, and their marriage was a partnership rooted in shared purpose. Whether leading neighborhood clean-up campaigns or advocating for justice with the local Chapter of the NAACP, where she served as secretary and Oliver as president, they worked in lockstep. Their joint dedication to the community was a quiet but powerful force, a testament to what two people can accomplish together.

Her faith was a guiding light throughout her life, expressed through her active membership at Happy Home Baptist Church and later Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, where she served with grace on the Usher Board at both houses of worship. She was also a dedicated member of the Fidelity Chapter #40 Order of the Eastern Star (OES) (Past W. Matron), Prince Hall Golden Circle (Past Loyal Lady Ruler), Razor Road/Roosevelt Height Neighborhood Association, Allendale County Arts Society, and LesDames' Social Club, organizations where her commitment to sisterhood and community uplift was untiring. She also enjoyed her role as the premier go-to wedding coordinator as she mastered many responsibilities acting as a couple's trusted guide and logistical expert on their way to the alter -- as part confidant, part creative director and part project manager -- allowing couples to step back from the stress of planning and truly be present for one of the most important days of their lives.

Her high society without the fluff was perfectly balanced by a deep-seated humility and an infectious joy for life. She was an avid traveler, often with her head buried in the adventure, always eager to discover new landscapes and cultures. She found immense pleasure in the simple delights of life—unearthing hidden treasures while plundering through antique shops, feeling the soil in her hands as she tenderly gardened, and gathering friends and family to share in her love cooking and good food. She had a way of finding laughter and light in every room, and she never missed an opportunity to share a quiet story or a piece of wisdom that would stay with you long after the conversation was over. While we remember her for her strength and grace, we will also cherish the memory of her bright smile and the comfort of her presence.

Georgia lived a life that was a masterclass in how to be a good steward of her time, her relationships, and her community. She will forever be an exemplary thoughtful and compassionate individual, filled with integrity, and joy. While we mourn her loss deeply, we find comfort in the countless ways she enriched our lives. Her memory will continue to be a guiding light, reminding us that a well-lived life is one spent in service to others as demonstrated by her parents, the late George Smart, Sr. and Mary Allen Graham; paternal grandparents, the late Charlie and Ida Washington Smart; maternal grandparents, the late Steve Allen, Sr., Alice Adell Walker, and Joe Lee Walker, brothers the late Jimmy and Alphonso Smart.

Her husband, Oliver will forever keep her memory close to heart and is most thankful that God allowed their relationship to flourish beyond measure. Her siblings, Reverend George (Georgia) Smart, Jr.; Odean (Ray) Mosley; Carroll (Bertha) Graham; Johnny (Sylvia) Graham; James (Theresa) Smart; and Benita (Enriko) Corbin, are most grateful for her life and how she nurtured family bonds over the years. Georgia never felt that the bonds of sibling relations stopped with her biological sibling and clearly acknowledged such closeness with others who mourn with the family. Additionally, brothers-in-law, Ivan (Joan) Cohen and James Larry (Patricia) Cohen; Goddaughters, Latricia Hammond, Chenoa (Keith) Reed, Nichole (James) Jackson-Cannon, and Cheronda Graham; Aunt, Ruby Mae Platts; Uncle, Larry (Wanda) Walker; and a host of loving nieces, nephews and family friends from across the nation.