

Interment

Mt. Pleasant A.M.E. Church Cemetery
Clinton, South Carolina

Note of Thanks

To those who visited and supported us with prayers, calls, cards, food, flowers and other expressions of sympathy, we are grateful. To those who came today to witness and participate in the homegoing of our beloved Stafford, we are thankful. Moreover, we extend a special thanks to those who cared for Stafford during the final years of her life. We would like you to know we sincerely appreciate the sacrifices you made and your dedication to our mother.

We are eternally grateful.

~ The Family ~

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF



Stafford

JOHNSON WILLIAMS

SUNRISE
March 19, 1947

SUNSET
January 29, 2024

Saturday, February 3, 2024
11:00 AM

MT. PLEASANT A.M.E. CHURCH
973 Ridge Road | Clinton, South Carolina

Reverend Jackie Aiken, Pastor

In Loving Memory of **STAFFORD J. WILLIAMS**

MARCH 19, 1947 – JANUARY 29, 2024

Stafford J. Williams of Clinton, South Carolina, passed away on Monday, January 29, 2024. She was born to the late Emerson Johnson and Addie Fincher on March 19, 1947, in Clinton, South Carolina.

Stafford went to Martha Dendy Elementary School and Bell Street High school before attending Voorhees College, where she received her Associate Degree.

Stafford held several jobs throughout the years including being an executive secretary at the University of South Carolina in addition to working for Governor Richard Riley. She was an active member of the community and her church both in Greenville and Columbia, where she lived for most of her life.

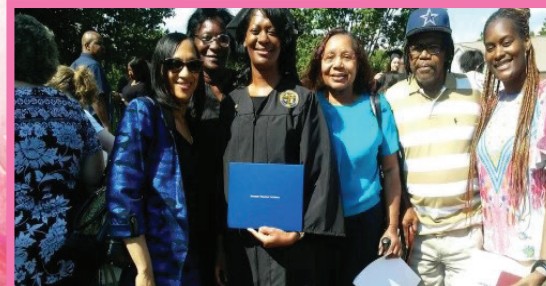
In her spare time, Stafford, a cinephile, enjoyed reading, gathering with family and friends, and attending church.

Family and friends were Stafford's passion and delight. Stafford is survived by: her son, Eric Williams (Etenesh); three brothers, Lloyd Emerson (Juanita) Johnson of Charlotte, NC, Ferdinand (Glendora) Johnson of Clinton, SC, and Donald Johnson of Clinton, SC; six sisters, Emma Harrison of Clinton, SC, Doris Johnson of Clinton, SC, Terry Lorine Johnson of Clinton, SC, Nina Cleo Johnson of Clinton, SC, Rosa Mary Johnson of Cartersville, GA, and Amelia Johnson of Clinton, SC; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

In addition to her parents, Emerson Johnson and Addie Fincher, she was preceded in death by a brother, Carlton Johnson of Laurens, South Carolina.

*I have fought the good fight,
I have finished the race,
I have kept the faith.
II Timothy 4:7*

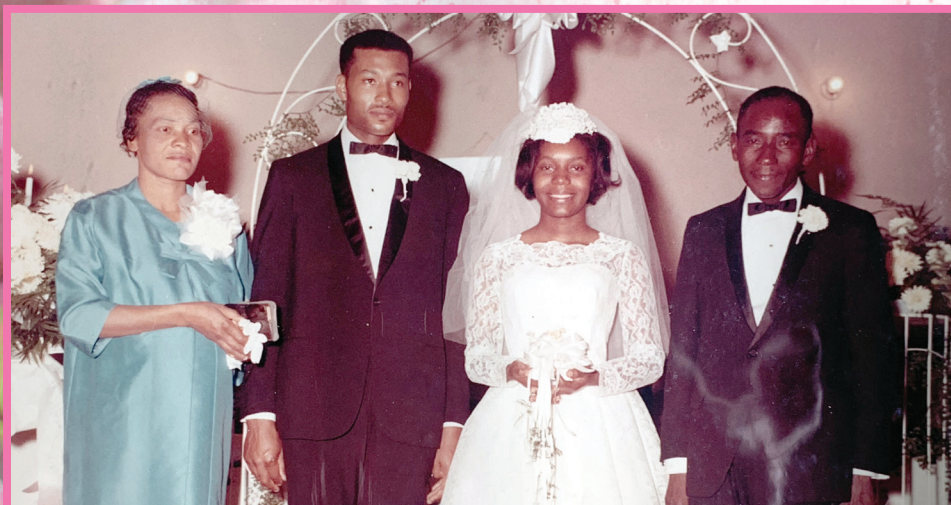
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Order of Service

Reverend Jackie Aiken, Presiding

- Prelude
- Processional.....Clergy and Family
- Final Viewing Family and Friends
- Hymn
- Prayer..... Reverend Anthony Sims
Friendship Baptist Church
Ninety-Six, SC

- Scripture
Old Testament Pastor Paul Williams
New Testament Reverend David Kennedy

- Hymn

- Remarks
FriendMs. Lillie Bell Sturkey
BrotherMr. Lloyd Johnson
Son Mr. Eric Williams

- Obituary*Please Read Silently to Soft Music*
- Eulogy Reverend Donnie W. Rice
- Closing Prayer
- Recessional
- Graveside Services
- Committal Rites and Parting Prayer
- Interment

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I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free.
I'm following the path God has chosen for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call;
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work, or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way;
I've now found peace at the end of day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joys:
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss.
Oh, yes, these things I, too, will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow;
Look for the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life has been full; I savored much:
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seems all too brief;
Don't lengthen your pain with undue grief.
Lift up your heart, and peace to thee.
God wanted me now—He has set me free.*

A Mother's Love

*Only once in your life
Will someone so special
Walk in front of you
And prepare the way
For a better future.
Only once will there be a person
Who cares enough to say no
But is enthusiastic enough to say yes
Whenever possible.
Only once in your life
Will someone wait patiently while you make
The most important decisions of your life.
Only once will you know someone
Who has the courage not to back down
From a decision she's made.
Only once will you have the opportunity
To be loved by someone
Who could never love you more
Than she does every day.
A mother's love is one of a kind.*

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