

TO THOSE WHOM I LOVE
& THOSE WHO LOVE ME

*When I am gone, release me, let me go.
I have so many things to see and do,
You mustn't tie yourself to me with too many tears,
But be thankful we had so many good years.*

*I gave you my love, and you can only guess
How much you've given me in happiness.
I thank you for the love that you have shown,
But now it is time I traveled on alone.*

*So grieve for me a while, if grieve you must,
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It is only for a while that we must part,
So treasure the memories within your heart.*

*I won't be far away for life goes on.
And if you need me, call and I will come.*

*Though you can't see or touch me, I will be near.
And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear,
All my love around you soft and clear.*

*And then, when you come this way alone,
I'll greet you with a smile and a 'Welcome Home'.*

Deaconess
JOYCE

S. WATSON

PALLBEARERS

Family and Friends

FLOWER ATTENDANTS

Family and Friends

INTERMENT

Evergreen Cemetery

4535 N. Main Street | Jacksonville, Florida 32206

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We, the family of Deaconess Joyce S. Watson, would like to extend our deepest gratitude for the many expressions of love, kindness, prayers and support shown to us during this time of loss. It has helped to sustain us and comfort us, and we are forever grateful for friends and family like you. May God continue to bless and keep each of you is our prayer.

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CELEBRATING
THE LIFE OF

Deaconess
JOYCE
S. WATSON

Saturday, June 21, 2025 - 1:00PM

St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church
3738 Winton Drive | Jacksonville, Florida 32208
Bishop John E. Guns, Officiating

Sunrise
December 31, 1950

Sunset
June 15, 2025



THE LIFE & LEGACY OF *Deaconess* JOYCE

Deaconess Joyce S. Watson was born on December 31, 1950, in Jacksonville, Florida, to the parents of Stonewall Best and Daisy Gantt.

She was united in holy matrimony with Hubert O. Watson, Jr., and together they shared forty-eight years of loving marriage.

Joyce dedicated twenty-one years of service to University Hospital. She was also a devoted member of St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church, where she actively participated in church ministries. She found great joy in her faith. She enjoyed solving jigsaw puzzles and fishing; activities that brought her peace and fulfillment.

She was preceded in death by her father: Stonewall Best; mother: Daisy Gantt; brother: Ronald Gantt and grandson: Robert Sparrow, III.

Joyce leaves to cherish her memories her beloved husband: Deacon Hubert O. Watson, Jr.; children: Consuelo (Keith) McGahee, Hubert O. Watson, III, Michael (Jasmine) Cox and Shanita Cox; godson: Calab Banks; grandchildren: Kahari Graham, Deonzelow Watson, Christian Watson, Jalen Watson, Sahunty Cox, Larry Jones, III, Monicia Jones, Talvi Jones, Maurice Flagg, Michael Cox, Jr. and Chivas Parrish, Jr; siblings: Diana Gantt, Jerome Gantt (Sharon), Donald Gantt (Linda), Dr. Tonya A. Pitts and Michael "Andre" Watson; aunt: Dorothy Gantt; uncle: Willie Gantt and a host of nieces, nephews, amazing friends and her devoted church family.

Deaconess Joyce S. Watson's warmth, kindness, and unwavering faith touched the lives of many. Her legacy of love and service will live on in the hearts of all who knew her.



ORDER OF SERVICE

Pastor J. Scott Cotton, Presiding

Processional/Viewing

Hymn

St. Paul Missionary Baptist Choir

Scriptures:

Old Testament

Dea. Dan Smith

New Testament

Deas. Brenda Grant

Invocation

Pastor Barbara Johnson

Selection

St. Paul Missionary Baptist Choir

Reflections- (As a courtesy to the family, please remember the two-minute rule)

Open to Family and Friends

Acknowledgments

Deas. Doris Banks

Resolutions

Deas. Frances Flowers

Selection

MIT Henrietta Telfair

Words of Comfort

Bishop John E. Guns

Recessional

St. Paul Missionary Baptist Choir

