

*Let not your heart be troubled:  
ye believe in God, believe also in me.  
In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so,  
I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.  
And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again,  
and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.  
And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.  
Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest;  
and how can we know the way?  
Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life:  
no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.*

John 14:1-6 KJV

### *Acknowledgments*

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to all our family and friends for your love and support during our time of bereavement. Thank you for your prayers, cards, calls, food and words of consolation. A special thanks to Pastor Maurice Raines and the Salem Baptist Church Family for all your kindness. We are truly blessed to have such wonderful friends by our side. May God bless all of you is our prayer.

### **The Family**

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## *Memorial Service For*



*Mrs. Nikeetia Lavoan*  
**HARVEY RUTHERFORD**

**Saturday, December 20, 2025 | 2:00 P.M.**

**Salem Baptist Church  
1349 US Highway 80  
Culloden, GA 31016**

**Pastor Maurice Raines, Officiating**

## Obituary

Mrs. Nikeetia Lavoan Harvey Rutherford was born on February 2, 1970, to Mrs. Rosetta Walker Harris and Mr. Randolph Harvey, Jr. in Thomaston, Upson County, Georgia. At an early age, she joined the Pine Chapel Baptist Church.

She received her education in the Thomaston City School System. She graduated from R.E. Lee Institute and furthered her education earning an Associate Degree in Nursing.

During her early years, she was employed by International Paper and later at Upson-Lee High School as a secretary.

She met the love of her life and on November 15, 2002, she married Mr. Michael J. Rutherford. This made her life complete. They both took their vows seriously; so in sickness and health, they both remained committed to each other. Nikeetia loved sharing the Word of God and her testimony with others.

On Friday, December 5, 2025, the Lord said she had suffered enough. He called her name; she answered and went home to be at rest. She will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

She leaves to cherish her memory, her husband, Mr. Michael J. Rutherford of Thomaston, GA; her mother, Mrs. Rosetta Walker Harris and her father, Dea. Randolph Harvey, Jr. of Thomaston, GA; one son, Terrell O'Briant (Sarah) McDaniel of Grande, AZ; one step-daughter, Ms. Alexis Rutherford of Warner Robins, GA; one sister, Mrs. Shelia (Christopher) Ford of Oxford, GA; mother-in-law, Mrs. Brenda Rutherford of Culloden, GA; brother-in-law, Mr. Tim Rutherford of Griffin, GA; one sister-in-law, Mrs. April Brazil of Thomaston, GA; aunts and uncles include: Mrs. Geneva McDaniel, Mrs. Evelyn Harris, Mr. Curtis Harvey and Mr. Calvin Harvey all of Thomaston, GA, Mrs. Detra (Larry) Buckner of Forsyth, GA, Mr. Sameul Harvey of Harrison TWP, MI; two nieces: Zaria Ford and Acari Brazil; two nephews: Zackary Ford and Camari Brazil; a host of cousins and other relatives and friends.

## Order of Service

Pastor Maurice Raines, Presiding

PRAYER . . . . . Deacon Abner Ivey

SCRIPTURE

Old and New Testaments . . . . . Pastor Maurice Raines  
Salem Baptist Church, Culloden, GA

SOLO . . . . . Mrs. Christine Brown

REMARKS . . . . . Open (2 minutes please)

CLOSING PRAYER AND

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