

Zion Rest Church Cemetery 1647 County Rd 213 Wedowee, AL 36278

#### REPAST

New Beginning Outreach Ministries

#### Acknowledgements

The family of the late Virgina McKinley would like to express sincere gratitude for the many acts of kindness and thoughtful deeds shown during the loss of our love one. Your words, calls, prayers, cards, flowers, food, hugs, kind and caring thoughts and other demonstrations of condolences have been a great source of strength and comfort for us. May God richly bless each of you.

- The Family -

#### **Final Arrangements For Loved One Entrusted:**

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# Order of Service

#### Processional

Family's Final Tribute.....Soft Music Musical Selection ...... New Beginning Praise Team Scripture Reading..... Prayer of Comfort......Rev. Tom Staples Musical Selection ...... New Beginning Praise Team Tributes ...... "As a Leader" - Elder Veresia Houston "As a Teacher" - Elder Rebecca Gunn "As a Friend" - Tamika Staples and Pat McCain Obituary ...... Read Silently Solo ......Shonda Roundtree Eulogy.....Rev. Tom Staples Jr. Recessional

on a new beginning as an adult Sunday School teacher. After leaving Grace Missionary Baptist Church, she united with New Beginning Outreach Ministry. There she continued to teach Sunday School, organized the women's ministry and served as chairperson of the Mother Board.

Virginia was preceded in death by three brothers, Thomas Johnson, Donald Johnson, and Emett Johnson. She leaves to cherish her memories one son, Jeffrey B. Neely of Mobile, AL; one granddaughter, Khadija Neely of Troy, AL; one adopted daughter, Delivial Neely of Jonesboro, GA; one adopted grandson, Justin Neely of Jonesboro, GA; devoted friends, Rebecca Gunn, Pat McCain, April Anthony, FNP-C all of Roanoke, AL and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and church family

Virginia led a challenging life always willing and seeking for life's greatest riches with high regards toward



## **Obituary**

Virginia Johnson Neely McKinley was born on January 2, 1943 to the parentage of the late Frank Johnson and Catherine Robertson in Wedowee, AL.

At an early age, she joined White Plain Baptist Church in Deland, FL. Her family later moved back to Alabama. She then united with Zion Rest Baptist Church, Wedowee, AL

Virginia was a 1960 graduate of the Wedowee High School. She received a number of honors, awards and trophies for academic excellence. After high school, she moved to Atlanta, GA where she joined Community Baptist Church and served faithfully as a member of PullinAirs Gospel Choir. She also attended Atlanta Area Technical School where she studied business and communications. While there, she played softball for Women Collier High Community Team. Virginia was also very active in the movement of segregation for freedom, justice, and equal rights.

In 1984, Virginia returned to Alabama and united with Grace Missionary Baptist Church which was built and founded by Rev. Emmett Johnson and the Johnson Family. Her life and spiritual maturity took

### Arise, Woman of God

By M.S. Lowndes

Rise Up, O Woman of God
In what He has given you,
the things God has laid on your heart,
Rise up, go forth, and do

Unlock what God has placed within,
The potential you have inside
The world is waiting for your release
To expand your wings and fly

Arise in your God-given gifts
For this is your finest hour
Arise in the Lord's holy might,
Ignited and empowered

For God is calling you to come forth
To impact this world for Him,
Don't hold back or limit yourself
Let his power arise within.

And take His message to the world To those that have lost their way, For can surely make a difference If you'd hear His voice and obey

You shall be strengthed in the Lord

As you begin to arise,

Conquering those doubts that pull you down

And believe who you are in Christ

For you shall surely be transformed
As, in you, God increases more
and become a woman of true excellence
Bringing honour to her Lord.

# **Loving Memories**









## To my Son, Granddaughter and Loved Ones

Let your hearts be comforted in knowing that the Lord has been my shepherd and I have no want.

Know that I have been through the valley of the shadow of death, but I feared no evil. He comforted me. He lead me. He anointed my head with oil and my cup ran over.

The Lord's goodness, mercy, and love have kept me. Now I'm in His presence forever and ever, AMEN!









