

Floral Bearers
Nieces

Casket Bearers
Family & Friends

GOD CALLED YOU HOME

*God looked around his garden and found an empty space;
He then looked down upon this earth and saw your tired
face.*

*He put His arms around you and lifted you to rest;
God's garden must be beautiful, He only takes the best.*

He knew you were in pain,

*He knew you might never get well upon this earth again.
He saw the road was getting rough and the hills were hard
to climb,*

*So He closed your weary eyelids and whispered 'Peace be
thine'.*

*It broke our hearts to lose you, But you never went alone,
For part of us went with you,
The day God called you home.*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

*The family of Ms. Joy Briggs would like to thank everyone for being
there through this difficult time. Your many acts of kindness have truly
touched our hearts and lives. May God richly bless each of you for all
you have done for us and our family.*

~The Family~

Arrangements Entrusted to:

The W. J. Gist Mortuary

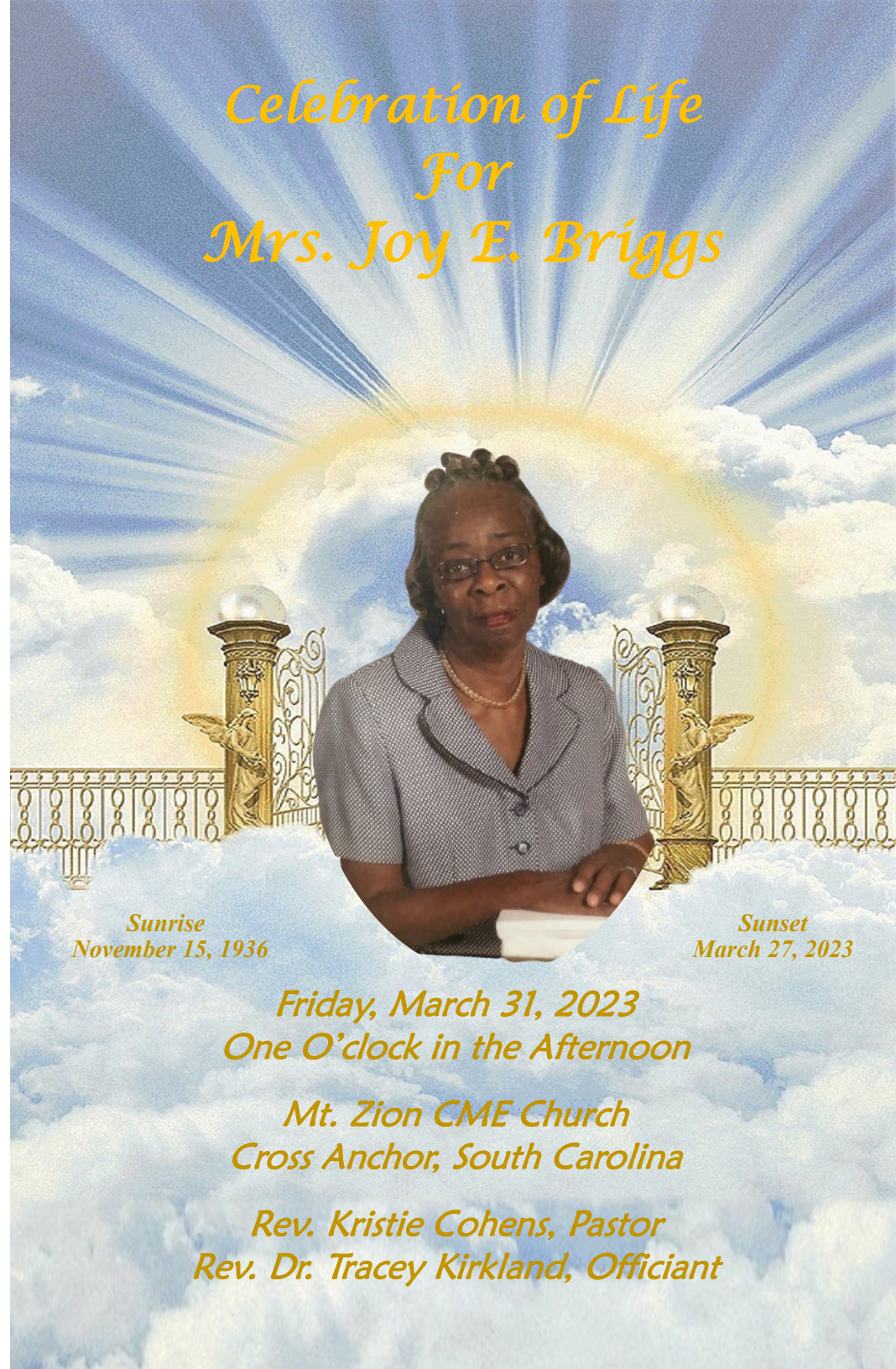
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*Celebration of Life
For
Mrs. Joy E. Briggs*



*Sunrise
November 15, 1936*

*Sunset
March 27, 2023*

*Friday, March 31, 2023
One O'clock in the Afternoon*

*Mt. Zion CME Church
Cross Anchor, South Carolina*

*Rev. Kristie Cohens, Pastor
Rev. Dr. Tracey Kirkland, Officiant*

Life Profile

Mrs. Joy Elizabeth Briggs, 86, of 13680 Highway 56, Enoree, SC, departed from this earthly life on March 27, 2023 at National Healthcare in Clinton, SC. She was born in Newberry County before her family moved to Spartanburg County. She was the daughter of the late Henry Hair and Carrie Oxner Hair. She was the wife of the late Tommy Lee Briggs, Sr.

Joy loved to sew and worked at a sewing plant for a brief period in Clinton, SC. She also briefly worked as a custodian at Woodruff Junior High School, Woodruff, SC. She was a devoted member of Mt. Zion C.M.E. Church in Cross Anchor, SC where she served on the Usher Board and was President of Mt. Zion Usher Board. She was also a member of the Missionary Board as well. Mrs. Briggs was the mother of the church. In addition to her love of sewing, Joy also loved the outdoors and her flowers. She was a dedicated mother and grandmother who helped to take care of and raise her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

In addition to her husband Joy was preceded in death by; one daughter, Linda Briggs; and one son, Tommy Lee Briggs, Jr.; her sister, Carrie Cannon; four brothers, Harold Hair, Proverb Hair, Jessie Lee Austin, and John Henry Hair.

She is survived by her daughters, Elizabeth Briggs and Patricia Briggs both of Enoree, SC; two sisters, Avenell Fair of Laurens, SC, and Mary Briggs of Enoree, SC; one brother Carol Hair of Enoree, SC.; four sister in laws, Evelyn Williams of Spartanburg, SC, Deborah Hair of Cross Anchor, SC, Louise Hair of Enoree, SC, and Christine Williams of Cross Keys, SC; two grandchildren, Telecia Bryson of Woodruff, SC; one reared in the home, Sedrick Briggs of Spartanburg, SC; three great grandchildren, Kedarius Bryson, Beyonce Briggs, and Kamari Bryson; and one great great-grandson, Ali Sizemore; and a host of other nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.



Order of Worship

Rev. Dr. Tracey Kirkland, Officiant

- Prelude
- Processional
- Selection.....Lola McBeth
- Affirmation of Faith
- Prayer.....Rev. Dr. Aaron Purham
- Scriptures:
 - Old Testament.....Rev. James McKoy
 - New Testament.....Rev. Courtney Mills
- Family Tribute.....Kevin Briggs
- Remarks.....James McBeth
- Acknowledgements
 - & Church Resolution.....Mary Johnson
- Selection.....Rome McBeth
- Words of Comfort.....Rev. Kristie Cohens
- Recessional.....The Family

Committal, Benediction and Internment

Mt. Zion CME Church Cemetery
Cross Anchor, SC

