

**HOMEGOING SERVICES  
FOR  
LENA MAE BARNES**

*1934 - 1995*



*Saturday, June 3, 1995 12:00 Noon*

**FAIRFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH**

6133 Redan Road  
Lithonia, Georgia 30058

Rev. Micheal Benton, Pastor  
*Officiating*



## Obituary

*"Remember Me"*

*"Remember me as you pass by  
because as you are, so once was I."*

The youngest of five girls, Joe and Lois Wheeler of Denison, Texas welcomed this little girl into their lives and the world. Lena grew up and went to school in Denison and accepted Christ as her personal Savior at an early age.

Lena moved to Monrovia, Ca. where she joined the Community Baptist Church and later joined the Second Baptist Church under the pastorship of Dr. William L. Dillard. While at Second Baptist, Lena met James Barnes and on June 10, 1978 they were united in Holy Matrimony. They were blessed with a gift from God, a beautiful little girl, Lana Marie.

In May of 1990, Lena and her family moved to Lithonia, Georgia, where as on December 16, 1990 the family united with the Fairfield Baptist Church under the pastorship of Rev. Micheal Benton. She was a faithful and dedicated member, also a Deaconess and worked in the clothing ministry.

Lena arrived here in Georgia in May and she left (her spirit) Georgia in May. To all who knew her, Lena was a giving person with a loving spirit. She loved and cared for her family in every sense of the word as a wife and mother. She was pleased and happy with her life.

Lena leaves to mourn her passing and rejoice in her memory her husband, James; one son, James C. Smith of Weatherford, OK; three daughters - Mrs. Andrea Parker of Pomona, CA, Mrs. Susan Jackson of Elyria, OH, and Lana Marie of Lithonia, GA; two sisters - Ollie Mae Bailey of Denison, TX and Jewel Wheeler of Wichita Falls, TX; one nephew - Nathan Beck of Houston, TX; and a host of other relatives and friends.

*"Never, ever be afraid to die  
For we will meet beyond the sky.  
As I am now, you should also be.  
Keep yourself prepared to follow me."*

Respectfully submitted by  
The Family



### TRIBUTE BY: ROSEMARY BUTLER



*A million times we will miss you,  
A million times we will cry,  
If love alone would have saved you,  
You never would have died.  
In life we all loved you dearly,  
In death we love you still.*

*In our hearts you hold a place,  
No other one can fill.  
The golden gate stood open,  
God saw you needed rest.  
God's garden must be beautiful,  
For He always picks the best.*

# Order of Service

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL

SELECTION.....Fairfield Gospel Choir

SCRIPTURES ..... Old Testament ..... 23rd Psalm

New Testament ..... St. John 14:1-7

PRAYER

SOLO ..... Robert Tyler

REMARKS ..... (3 minutes) ..... Ms. Loretta Patty

Sis. Lucile B. Durden

Sis. Zadie Culpepper

Sis Dwana Spurlock

POEM ..... Rosemary Butler

SOLO ..... Towanna Jackson

OBITUARY ..... Read Silently

EULOGY ..... Rev. Micheal Benton

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT ..... Gregory B. Levett, *staff*

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL.....Fairfield Gospel Choir

## INTERMENT

Hillandale Memorial Gardens  
6201 Hillandale Dr. Lithonia, GA

## TRIBUTE

### FROM LANA TO MOMMY

*She was like a summer rose,  
Left standing in fall's chills,  
Sometimes bending, sometimes swaying,  
Sometimes very still.*

*Giving love one cannot measure,  
And for all the years to come,  
Her memory we'll still treasure.*

*Why she had to leave,  
It's not for us to understand,  
But we know that all things,  
Are in the Almighty's hand.  
She has weathered many a storm,  
And truly stood the test,  
Though great was our love for her,  
We know God loved her best.*

**FLOWER LADIES**

Fairfield Deaconess Board

**PALL BEARERS**

Fairfield Deacon Board

**HONORARY PALL BEARERS**

James Smith  
Nathan Beck  
Oliver Butler

Donald Blount  
Al Barnes  
Stephen Smith

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

*The family of Lena Mae Barnes gratefully appreciate your sincere expressions of love and sympathy extended during our hour of bereavement. May God forever bless and keep each of you.*

*The Family*

*Services entrusted to:*

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