

## *Mama*

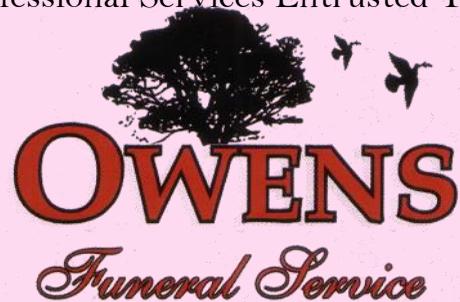
We are all a little broken inside.....  
the outside pieces do not seem to fit ;just  
jumbled and bunched together in what appears tto make sense.  
you smoothed out our jagged edges you were the mediator for our many fights  
you loved us differently yet equally; even your voice made things less tense  
mama.....  
you saw in us the things that we could not see in ourselves  
your love gave us strength when we could not love ourselves  
mama.....  
now its our turn to honor you. to show strength in the face of fear  
to love those whom loved you to live each day as though it were our last  
mama.....  
you left us with a life time of memories filled with your wisdom and smile  
so know that this is not goodbye.....i will just see you in a while.

*Trina (your fudgesicle)*

### **Acknowledgement**

special thanks to the medical staff in the Critical Care ICU unit at MCV for the care, concern and empathy that they showed our mom and family.

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## *Celebration of Life*

*for*



# *Gretter Louise Holmes*

Sunrise

March 3, 1953

Sunset

August 6, 2017



*Friday, August 11, 2017*

*1:00pm*

Owens Funeral Services Chapel  
104 Green Chimny Ct.  
Ashland VA 23005

## The Obituary

*Gretter Louise Holmes* earned her wings to be with our Lord and savior on August 6, 2017. She was born on March 3, 1953 and was the fourth child to the late John and Lizzie Jackson. She is preceded in death by her siblings Edward Jackson, Margaret Wyatt, Daisy Wilson and John I. Jackson

Gretter attended Hanover County schools and graduated from Patrick Henry high school. She later on in life furthered her educational career at a business technology center. She belonged to Mt. Zion Baptist Church and attended regularly until her health and sight would not allow her to travel; at which point she visited and felt at home in many churches.

Gretter held many occupations, however none were greater to her than her family. She retired in 2003 and began to enjoy life to its fullest and focus on her family. She loved to playing bingo, playing cards, and playing her on line games. She always gave freely from the bottom of her heart and made everyone she met feel welcome. She was our vision of a precious soul.

Gretter leaves to cherish her memory her devoted husband James C. Holmes; three children, Patrina, Floyd, Jr. (Akua ) and Natasha Derricott; seven grandchildren, LaRome and Marcus Derricott, Benjamin and Tiavia Mickens, Samara Truesdale and Jaden and Jordan Derricott; six great grandchildren, Kayden, Evagaline, Kaleb, Jayden, Khole and Marceline Derricott; one sister, Glenda White; one brother, Cheyenne Jackson; three devoted friends, Levan Kelly, Shirley Lincoln and Latonia Mickens.

*If she were here she would tell us not to be sad.... live and be happy!*

## Order of Service

The Prelude

The Processional..... The Family

Scripture reading  
Old and New Testament..... Rev. Harris

Prayer of Comfort..... Rev. Larry Owens, Jr.

Hymn of Comfort..... "I Won't Complain" ..... Bishop Levan Kelly

Obituary ..... Read Silently

Solo..... "I'm Free" ..... Bishop Levan Kelly

Eulogy..... Bishop Levan Kelly

Recessional..... "I'll fly away"