



## Mrs. Shirley J. Benson

September 20, 1947 - May 16, 2021

To everything there a season and a time to every purpose under the heaven A  
bom and a time to die Ecclesiastes 3:1-2

Mrs Shirley Johnson Benson was born September 20, 1947 in Plain (Richland  
M Me was the second child born to the late Charlie and Elizabeth Daniels  
Johnson The born, Dorothy preceded her in death

Shirley accepted Christ at an early age under the pastorate of the late  
Reverent Mlaunin Early on she bege serving in the church by singing in the  
choir and holding var poutions in Sunday School and Christian Youth  
Fellowship Shirley was a faithful dedicated member, both spiritually and  
physically in the positions of Chairman of the Steward Board Church  
Treasurer, Missionary Society Treasurer and Sunday Schoot Secretary until  
her death and aln previously a Stewardess in 1970, Shirley was united in holy  
matrimony to Sam Benson. This union was blessed with three children,  
Derrick, Gerl, and Mala (Sammie) She loved her family and enjoyed cooking,  
planting flowers, and collecting antiques.

Shirley's education began at New Hope School where she attended until the  
seventh grad Her education continued at McLaurin High School and  
graduated in 1967. She was emplois by Sam's Club where she retired after  
working for many years.

Time here on earth ended for Shirley on May 16, 2021. She peacefully shipped away in her home with family by her side "Blessed Assurance she has made it to her heavenly home.

To cherish her memories, Shirley leaves two sons, Derrick (Earnestine) Johnson and Maik Benson, both of Richland, MS: one daughter Gerl Benson of Conyers, GA, three grandchildren, Darketta (Kerry) Amos of Richland, MS; Jada and Jena Kennedy of Conver, G two great grandchildren, Karter and Karlynn Amos; three brothers, Willie (Gwendolyn Johnson, Cleveland (Argentina) Johnson both of Richland, MS and Bennie (Diane) Johnson of Detroit, MI; five sisters, Frances Jefferson of Roselle, Ni, Faye Foster, Jerri Johnson, Elaine (Clarence) Jacobs, and Cynthia Terrell all of Richland, M5, two brothers-in-law, Reverend Hollie (Eddie Maej Benson of Puckett, MS and Fred (Viola) Benson of Palm Desert, CA, two sisters in law, Amanda Kingsbury and Dona Craft, both of Braxton, MS; numerous nieces and nephews, many cousins, and a host of friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Ebenezer CME Church Cemetery

Richland, MS

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **21**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

"Lovie" Dean Memorial Chapel  
745 Hwy 468  
Brandon, MS 39042

## Service

MAY **22**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Ebenezer CME Church  
331 Ebenezer Road  
Richland, MS 39218

# Tribute Wall

MM

“ *Melinda Mack lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Shirley J. Benson*



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**Melinda Mack** - May 22, 2021 at 12:03 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Memorial Video*



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**Dean Memorial Funeral Home** - May 21, 2021 at 10:07 PM

LB

“ *Sorry for your loss of your dear loved one. Trust in God and he will carry you through it all . In Christian Love LauraBrannon a friend of Latecia Thompson Gregory*



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**Laura Brannon** - May 21, 2021 at 09:23 PM

DG

“ Our deepest condolences and prayers go out to the family of Sis. Shirley Benson. She was a very sweet person who often attended our Tuesday Morning Bible Study.

*May the God of all comfort strengthen you and give you peace today and always.*

*Pastor Dennis M. Grant  
and the Jerusalem Church Family*

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**Dennis Grant** - May 21, 2021 at 05:45 PM

FE

“ Frankie Evans lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Shirley J. Benson



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**Frankie Evans** - May 21, 2021 at 03:01 PM

PS

“ Patricia Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Shirley J. Benson



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**Patricia Smith** - May 20, 2021 at 06:45 PM

LT

“ *Latecia Gregory And Youland Thompson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Shirley J. Benson*



Latecia Gregory and Youland Thompson - May 19, 2021 at 05:35 PM

GM

“ *Wayne and Gerthania McGee*



Gerthania McGee - May 19, 2021 at 09:56 AM



“ *Condolences To The Benson Family. Prayers Are Being Sent Your Way For Your Peace, Comfort During This Time Of Sorrow. Amen.* 🙏💖🙏💖🙏



Evelyn Young - May 19, 2021 at 05:21 AM

ET

“ *Evelyn Tillis sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Shirley J. Benson*



Evelyn Tillis - May 18, 2021 at 04:01 PM

JB

*My condolences to the Benson family Shirley will truly be missed. Jean Russell Brown*

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**Jean R Brown** - May 20, 2021 at 10:44 AM

DQ

*My Condolences and prayers are being sent to Shirley family. Shirley will be truly missed. Dorothy Queen co-worker Sam'S Club*

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**dorothy queen** - May 21, 2021 at 09:08 PM