

Heknowledgement

The family of Pinkie F. Barnett wishes to express our love and thanks for all acts of kindness, such as prayers, cards, phone calls, visits, text messages, flowers, and food. Our loss is tremendous, however, with family and friends like you, it was made easier. All of you are special and we thank you for taking time to include us in your thoughts and prayers. We will continue to trust God in the days, weeks, months and years ahead, for God has the perfect plan. May God's blessings continue to shower on you.

Services under the direction of
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# Celebrating the life of Our Beloved

Pinkie

Frances

Barnett



<u>Services</u>
Wednesday, June 3, 2020
1:00 p. m.
Chaplain Carlos Woodard, Officiating

Graveside Service Friendship Cemetary 11220 South Luther Rd. Newalla, Oklahoma 73054

### Thank You

Thank you for sitting in, in 1958.

All glory to God for ordering your steps in that time and place.

You were only 12 year's old standing up for something so great.

You were face to face with the manifestation of racism and hate.

You stood up for freedom, opportunity, and equality,

a gift from God's grace.

There was strength in the unity of the black race.

All glory to God for giving hope and unity to the black race,

Maya Angelou said trying to overcome the honorable tradition

of the black race

Singing we shall overcome, walking by faith, believing for better days, trusting in God's ways.

Thank you Grannie for leading the way and for laying the foundation of love and faith.

You never gave up on us when we made a mistake, standing strong, working hard, and doing what it takes.

Tough love pains and aches.

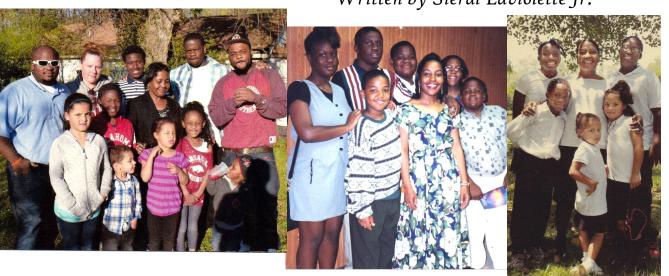
Putting God in first place, family second,

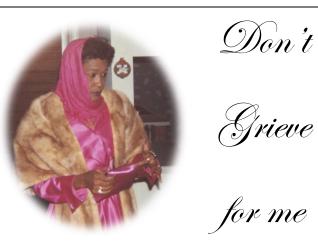
never selfish the true definition of what family is, selfless.

That's my Granny, Pinkie Frances Barnett, a beautiful black woman inside and out. A true woman of God no doubt. I just needed to get two words out —

Thank you,

Written by Sieral Laviolette Jr.





Don't grieve for me, for now I am free I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took his hand when I heard him call
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day

To laugh, to love, to work or play

Task left undone must stay that way

I found that place, at the close of the day

If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with remembrances of joy
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss
All these things, I too will miss

Be not burden with time of sorrow
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow
My life's been full, I've so savored much;
Good friends, good time,
a loved ones touch

Perhaps my time seemed all to brief;
Don't length it now undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, he set me free

Pinkie



Born Into Time January 2, 1945



Pinkie

Frances

Barnett

Transitioned
Into Eternity
May 23, 2020

### Order of Service

## Wednesday, June 3, 2020 1:00 p.m.

#### Pinkie Frances Barnett

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Parting Farewell...... Funeral Directors

### Pinkie Frances Barnett



n January 2, 1945 God blessed Grover Barnett and Ella Mae Johnson Barnett with a beautiful baby girl. They named her Pinkie Frances Barnett. She was an amazing person filled with loads of joy and love. On Saturday, May 23, 2020 God picked a flowed and Pinkie Frances Barnett left this earthly life to join those who had gone before in her Heavenly life.

She accepted Christ and was baptized at the age of (7) seven at the Church of the Living God Temple 126 and she remained a member for 25 years. She later joined and was baptized at the

Fifth Street Baptist Church. Pinkie later became a chartered member of the New Covenant Missionary Baptist Church and she remained a member until her transition to be with the Lord.

Pinkie attended Oklahoma City Public Schools. She graduated from Douglass High School. After graduation she attended Rose State College where she received a double associate's degree in Sociology and Community Social Services. After graduation she attended Central State University where she graduated with a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice. Pinkie was engaged in the Oklahoma City 1958 Sit-In in Downtown Oklahoma during the Civil Rights movement. Some of her proudest moments are when all of her children graduated from high school and the births of her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Pinkie was employed by the State of Oklahoma, where she retired after 23 years of service. She was also a cofounder of CAPE (Committee against Prisoner Exploitation), a co-founder of Bright Haven an organization that was a (food and clothes shelter) for 5 years. She was also a cofounder of the National Association of Black Social Workers, in Oklahoma County where she became a member since 1982, and she was a cofounder of the NAACP Softball tournament.

Pinkie became a mother on December II, 1962 when her daughter Arnitra "Nina" Johnson was born. On October 15, 1964 her 2<sup>nd</sup> daughter Cynthia "DeeDee" Courtney was born and her last child Noble F. Lee III was born August 31, 1970. These children gave her 7 grandchildren: Valerie Laviolette, Siera Laviolette, Markecia Sanford, Kenneth Courtney, Senitras Laviolette, Cory Courtney and Jordan Lee.

Pinkie was preceded in death by her maternal and paternal grandparents, her parents Grover Barnett and Ella Mae Johnson Barnett, her step father John Quincy Adams, her brothers Grover Barnett Jr. and James "Bo" Barnett, her daughter Cynthia "DeeDee" Courtney, and her great grandchild Senitras Laviolette Jr. and many other beloved family members.

Pinkie leaves to cherish her memory her daughter Arnitra Johnson (Johnny), her son Noble F. Lee III, her grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, 2 great-great grandchildren, her sister Exzetta Barnett, her brother Walter Barnett, and a host of nieces, nephews, and other family and friends.