



## Sarah Miley Jenkins

July 10, 1927 - September 12, 2017

Sarah Miley Jenkins was called from labor to reward, Tuesday, September 12, 2017, at Lexington Medical Center Extended Care. Born July 10, 1927, in Estill, South Carolina, she was one of 9 children born to the union of Bertha Robeson and Alex Duncan.

Married in her early twenties to John Henry Taylor, Sarah was blessed with three children: Linda, George, and John Taylor. Early in their marriage, Sarah and John Henry separated leaving Sarah with the task of raising their young children. She relocated to New York in the early 1950s and began work in the factories as well as healthcare jobs with the city in order to care for her children, mother, and several siblings still at home. In fact, she built a house in Estill for her children and her mother.

Through it all, Sarah was ambitious, studying to become a nurse and receiving licensure for the same. During this time, she met her second husband Arthur Jerry Jenkins, to whom she remained married for 31 years until his death in 1993.

Sarah returned to college and became a New York City social worker. She loved her church, Community Church of Morrisania, in the Bronx, New York. She was active in her circle, the Mary McLeod Bethune Circle, and later became the church social worker thus being titled "Minister of Human

Concerns." She was an active deacon and even, at one time, served on the choir.

Sarah was a rock to her family, who lovingly called her "Sister;" she took care of everyone, gave advice and was well respected within her family and the community.

In addition to her parents, several siblings, and husband Arthur, Sarah was preceded in death by her children Linda and George.

Left to cherish precious memories are her son John Lynwood (Janice) Taylor; 8 granddaughters; 2 grandsons; 4 great-granddaughters; 2 great-grandsons; 3 siblings: Lessie (Willie C.) Pollins, Cornelia Villard, and Frances George; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends who will sorely miss this wonderful woman who allowed the life she lived to speak for her.

# Previous Events

## Family Visitation

SEP **16.** 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Palmer Memorial Chapel - Columbia  
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# Tribute Wall

RS

“ I Still think about you all the time ❤️ I love you so much grandma I miss you & grandma Lindee more than words could ever explain. Please keep looking after me & over me ❤️

rayaunna stanford - January 22, 2025 at 11:31 PM



“ Sarah Miley Jenkins

October 04, 2023 at 11:33 AM

RS

“ I love you and miss you everyday grandma ❤️

rayaunna stanford - January 27, 2023 at 11:37 AM

DG

“ I will always remember Mrs. Jenkins as a kind and loving wonan of God. The times I spent with her were a joy. She will be greatly missed.



D Grier - September 18, 2017 at 11:44 AM

EP

“ Elder Christopher & Dr. Patricia A. Poll lit a candle in memory of Sarah Miley Jenkins



Elder Christopher & Dr. Patricia A. Poll - September 14, 2017 at 11:40 PM

CW

*I know we were not as close as we could have been and I am sorry I'm just finding out about your passing. we missed all those years of being together. I am truly, very sorry for not being closer to you grandma... I always thought of you though....but one day we will all get to be together you, me, dad and aunt Linda... I love you all...Your granddaughter Corretta Woodbury*

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**corretta e. woodbury** - August 22, 2018 at 08:49 AM