



## Obituary

**Born:** Wednesday, July 4, 1951

**Died:** Monday, February 22, 2016

Mrs. Shirley Ann Boyce, aka, "Ann" age 64 was born in Barnwell, SC on July 4, 1951 to the late William Ashley, Sr. and the late Virgie Braxton Ashley.

At an early age, she sought God's direction and guidance, and joined the Springfield Missionary Baptist Church in Barnwell, SC where she served faithfully as a Missionary and sang in the Gospel Choir.

Shirley received her education at Butler School in Barnwell, SC. She worked at Rheem Manufacturing Company in production for over 2 years.

"Grandma Shelly" as she was affectionately known, will be remembered for the love she had for her family, and friends.

She was married to the love of her life, Mr. Joe Boyce for over 48 years, and in this union, they were blessed with seven daughters.

Three brothers, Isadore, Milton, and Barney Ashley, and one grandson, Alton Avila preceded her in death.

On Monday, February 22, 2016, our Heavenly Father called her from labor to reward at the Aiken Regional Medical Center in Aiken, SC.

Shirley leaves to cherish her memory, a loving and devoted husband, Joe Boyce of Barnwell, South Carolina; seven daughters, Dorothy Williams, Williace (Alvin) Avila, Shelreather Boyce, Malinda (Kenneth) Owens, and Lakisha (Reginald) Roberts all of Barnwell, SC, Peggy (Mark) Virgle of Philadelphia, PA, and Tonya Boyce of Williston, SC; twelve grandchildren; five great grandchildren; five sisters, Lula (Robert) Butler, Sara Ashley, and Mary (James) Creech of Barnwell, SC, Rosa Bates of Williston, SC, and Ivory (Rev. Abraham) Smith of New Ellenton, SC; three brothers, William Ashley (Rebecca Furlow) of Barnesville, GA, Leon Ashley and Julius Ashley of Barnwell, SC; eight sisters in law, Alice (Herman) Jamison, Retha Jefferson, Rebecca Boyce (Charlie Hay), Betty Glover, Sherrie Boyce, and Deloris Boyce of Barnwell, SC, Carolyn (Keath) Jones of Denmark, SC, and Roberta Ashley of New Ellenton, SC; one brother in law, James (Louise) Boyce of Barnwell, SC, five aunts; three uncles; one special friend, Essie Kemp of Barnwell, SC, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and sympathizing friends.

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## Service Summary

### Visitation

2:00 PM to 6:00 PM, Sun Feb 28, 2016

### Dyches Funeral Home

11372 Ellenton Street  
Barnwell, SC 29812

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### Funeral Service

1:00 PM Mon Feb 29, 2016

### Rosemary Baptist Church

151 Emerald Ln  
Barnwell, SC 29812