

*Pallbearers*

Family and Friends

*Flower Bearers*

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*Acknowledgement*

We the family of Ola Mae Swoopes Minor  
wishes to thank our wonderful  
friends for your expressions of kindness.

May God Bless each of you  
-The Family-

*Interment*

Sterrs Cemetery

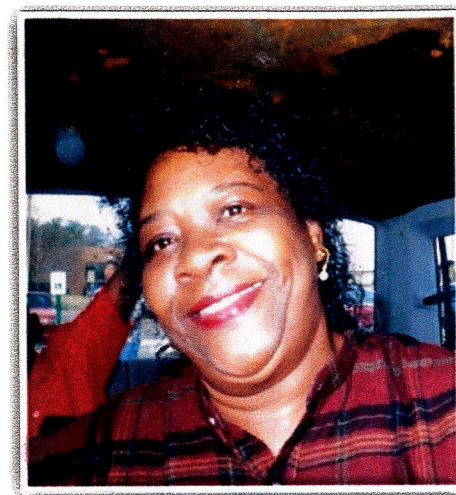
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Homegoing Celebration  
of Our Beloved



*Ola Mae Swoopes Minor*  
(Lil'Bit)

*Sunrise:* November 20, 1941

*Sunset:* November 12, 2011

Friday, November 18, 2011  
12:00 Noon

*St. James C.P.C.A*  
920 W. Moulton Street  
Decatur, AL

Pastor Michael Jones, Officiating

## *Our Special Grandmother...*

My grandmother was loving, sweet and kind.  
She was a very faithful church member and  
wife. She will always be missed. I love you.

*Marquitha*



Grandma "Bit-Bit" was a loving woman and I am  
going to miss her. She was the type of woman that  
you could always talk to. She had her own way  
of saying things, but she never stopped loving you.  
I am going to miss her deeply, and please God,  
bless her soul. I will never forget You grandma.

I love you.

*Tang*

## **The 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalms**

*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;  
He leadeth me beside the still waters.  
He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me  
in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the valley of  
the shadow of death, I will fear no evil;  
For thou art with me; thy rod and thy  
staff they comfort me.  
Thou preparest a table before me  
in the presence of mine enemies;  
Thou anointest my head with oil;  
My cup runneth over.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the  
house of the Lord forever.*

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Our Mother's Love kept  
us strong and will live in us forever

Stephan  
Tracyene  
Steven  
Ronald

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Mom,  
*You will be greatly missed. We appreciate  
you instilling in us your qualities on life.  
Thank You*

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## *Sharing The Life of*

Ola Mae Swoopes Minor

*"Too Well-Loved To Ever Be Forgotten"*

Ola Mae was born on November 20, 1941 in Courtland, Alabama to the late Jessie Cooper Swoopes and Fred Swoopes. She departed this life on November 12, 2011 at Decatur General Hospital.

She was employed by the Decatur City Schools System, South Morgan Healthcare and the Morningside Assisted Living as a cook.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three sisters, Verneda King, Mattie Swoopes Jackson and Pearline Mayes, and two brothers, Willie Swoopes and The Rev. Fred Swoopes.

She leaves to cherish her memory *a husband*, Minister Al V. Minor, *four children*, Stephan Bell (Doris), Alma Davis (Mike), Stephen Alexander (Angie) and Ronald Alexander, all of Decatur, Alabama, *one stepdaughter*, Phyllis Minor of Hilo, Hawaii, *two stepsons*, Marques and Tony Minor, *ten grandchildren*, two sisters, Deloris Brown and Nancy Mae Hampton, both of Rochester, New York, one sister-in-law, Deloris Swoopes, a devoted cousin Bertha Cooper, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins other relatives and friends.

## *Order of Celebration*

Processional

Selection

Scripture -

*Old Testament* – The Reverend Patricia Dixon

*New Testament* – The Reverend Otis Dixon

Prayer

Deacon Robert Woods

Tribute

Jashon Bentford

Selection

Eulogy

Pastor Michael Jones

Solo

Connie Sue Williams

Recessional

*"Will always be missed, but never forgotten"*

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### When I Must Leave You

When I must leave you for a little while,  
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears,  
And hug your sorrow to you  
through the years  
But start out bravely with a smile.

And for my sake  
And in my name,  
Live on and do  
all the things the same.

Feed not your loneliness  
On empty days,  
But fill each waking hour  
In useful ways.

Reach out your hand in comfort  
and in cheer,  
And I, in turn, will comfort you  
And hold you near.  
And never, never  
Be afraid to die,  
For I am waiting for you In the sky.

-Helen Steiner Rice-

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