

*Ms. Minnie Ruth Lyles* was born in Desoto, Sumter County, Georgia on December 15, 1946, to the parentage of the late Mr. Charlie Lyles, Sr. and the late Mrs. Mary Hodges Lyles. She received her education in the public schools of Sumter County. She joined the Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church and remained a faithful member until her health failed. She was employed for many years at the Magnolia Manor Nursing Center in the Housekeeping Department. Minnie loved going to church and working crosswords puzzles.

She is preceded in death by two sisters, Addie Mae Williams and Dollie Mae Patillo; two brothers, Charlie Lyles, Jr. and Billy Lyles; a sister-in-law, Eloise Lyles; and a nephew, Benjamin Charles Lyles, III.

Left to cherish her memories are two daughters, Mrs. Teresa Denise (Carl) Threatt and Ms. Gloria Kate Lyles, all of Albany, GA; three grandchildren: Shanice Threatt, Tanisha Threatt, both of Albany, GA and Symond Lyles of Reidsville, GA; two great grandchildren, Sebastian Carmelo Threatt and Josiah Tyson, both of Albany, GA; a great nephew, Amil Hakeem Porter of Albany, GA and Kendrick Jones, Jr. of Atlanta, GA; her siblings: Mr. Obie Lyles, Sr., Mr. Ben Lyles, Mr. Jeremiah (Carolyn) Lyles, all of Americus, GA; Mrs. Josephine (Rick) Tyson of Albany, GA and Mrs. Alice (Chad) Alexander of Cuthbert, GA; her nieces and nephews: Lashawnda Floyd of Macon, GA; Otis Floyd, IV of Jacksonville, FL; Heavenly Tyson and Charles Williams, both of Albany, GA; Shemetricia (Kendrick) Jones and Jeffery Williams, all of Atlanta, GA; Shavon Lyles, Chris Lyles, Obie Lyles, Jr., Latina Lyles, Rodney Allen, Latricia Wilborn, all of Americus, GA; Jeremiah (Dashia) Lyles of Warner Robins, GA; Alphonso Williams of Axson, GA and Tamekia (David) Sewejkis of Tyler, TX; and a host of other great nieces and nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends, including beloved life-long friends, Gloria Ann Anderson, Bessie Angry and Evelyn Floyd and her Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church family also survive.