

THE LIFE CELEBRATION FOR  
*Ms. Sandra Mae Merritt*

Processional led by Rev. George F. Monts, Jr.

*Last Glance and Final Sealing*

Selection Ms. Diamond Taylor

Prayer Rev. Monts or *Appointee*

Scripture Rev. Monts or *Appointee*

*Tribute ~ Poem*

Ms. Aaliyah James and Ms. Jada Merritt

Selection Ms. Diamond Taylor

Eulogy Rev. George F. Monts, Jr.  
Whole Truth International Ministries, Inc.

Acknowledgements and  
Presentation of the  
Family Bible Barnum Staff

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or to silent mode during the service. Thank you.*

*forever in our hearts*  
*Ms. Sandra Mae Merritt* | 1960 -2023

Earthly Place of Rest  
Eastview Cemetery  
802 Ashby Street, Americus, GA 31709

Pallbearers

Ms. Shaquille Woods Mr. Cassius Arnett  
Mr. Devontae Bridges Mr. Khalil Hubbard  
Mr. John Merritt Mr. Antaurus Foster

Flower Attendants  
Friends of the Family and Ushers

*Note of Gratitude*

The Merritt Family expresses our gratitude for your kindness and unwavering compassion during this time of bereavement. We thank each of you for your love, encouragement, prayers and sympathy and pray that God will continue to bless you.



FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS ENTRUSTED TO:  
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**CELEBRATION**  
*Of Life*

Saturday, April 1, 2023 | 2:30 p.m.  
Whole Truth International Ministries, Inc.  
502 South Lee Street, Americus, Georgia 31709  
Officiant | Rev. George F. Monts, Jr.

**SANDRA**  
*Mae Merritt*

SUNRISE: MARCH 29, 1960  
SUNSET: MARCH 26, 2023

*An Amazing...*  
Mother, Daughter  
Grandmother, Sister  
Aunt & Friend

**FOREVER**  
*in our hearts* AND  
**MEMORIES**

THE LIFE STORY OF  
*Ms. Sandra Mae Merritt*

*Ms. Sandra Mae Merritt* was born in Sumter County, Georgia on March 29, 1960, to the parents of the late Mr. Bobby Merritt and Mrs. Lillie Mae Angry Merritt, who survives. She received her education in the public-school system of Sumter County. She worked passionately for Perfect Care Assisted Living before she was forced to retire due to her health. At an early age, she joined and was baptized at St. John A.M.E. Church, Plains, Georgia. Sandra was a very compassionate woman and played a motherly role to all her nieces, nephews, and grandchildren. She had an exceptional ability to reach people in a deep and positive way. She will be deeply missed by her family, friends, and all who knew her.

In addition to her father, Sandra is preceded in death by her maternal aunts and uncles: Robert Lee Angry, Rufus Angry, George Angry, Charlie Angry, Nettie Ruth Jackson, Mattie Williams, and Collie M. Williams; her paternal aunts and uncles: Jason King, Sr., Edward Joseph, and Alma Mackey.

She leaves to cherish with loving memories: her loving and devoted mother, Ms. Lillie Mae Angry Merritt, Americus, GA; her daughter, Ms. Lakisha Merritt, Warner Robin, GA and two sons, Mr. Adrian (Shikita) Merritt and Mr. James Green, Jr., all of Americus, GA; six grandchildren: Deuntria James, Mendrell Minnis, Jr., Cameron Merritt, all of Warner Robins, GA; Ajada Merritt, Amani Merritt of Americus, GA and Ajadeen Cunningham, Albany, GA; one great grandson, Zakhari Minnis, Americus, GA; three sisters: Ms. Mary Ann Merritt, Ms. Gale Denise Merritt and Ms. Shawnda Caprice Merritt, all of Americus, GA; three brothers: Mr. John Wayne Merritt, Mr. Bobby Merritt, both of Americus, GA, and Mr. Marcellous (Keysha) Austin of South Carolina; one maternal aunt, Ms. Bertha Mae Evans, Miami, FL; three paternal aunts: Ms. Leanna White, Americus, GA; Ms. Mildred Styles, Plains, GA and Ms. Ola Mae White, Akron, OH; one paternal uncle, Mr. Freddie Clark, Sr., Americus, GA and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, including a devoted cousin, Ms. Dorothy Mackey; other relatives and friends including devoted friends, Ms. Mary Nell Poole and Ms. Sonya Bateman survive.



*Roses in Heaven*

If roses grow in Heaven,  
Lord, please pick  
a bunch for me.  
Place them in my mom's arms  
and tell her they are from me.

Tell her that I LOVE her  
and MISS her,  
and when she turns to smile,  
place a kiss upon her cheek  
and hold her for awhile.



Because remembering  
her is easy,  
I do it every day,  
but there's an ache  
within my heart  
that will never  
go away.