Mrs. Annie Dean Colwell Shepherd was born in Dumas, Webster County, Georgia on May 17, 1949, to the parent of the late Ms. Annie Rose Kitchen Colwell. She received her education in the public schools of Sumter County. She was a member of the National Honor Society at Staley High School and was a member of the 1967 graduating class of Sumter High School. She attended South Georgia Technical College and earned an associate degree in nursing. At an early age, she joined the Lebanon Baptist Church. She also attended the Eastview 7th Day Adventist Church. She was employed at the Sumter Regional Hospital as a Licensed Practical Nurse for over 32 years. On February 18, 1978, she was joined in Holy Matrimony to Mr. David Shepherd. She enjoyed SHOPPING, reading, solving word puzzles, and traveling with her family.

She leaves to cherish her memories: her husband of 44 years, Mr. David Shepherd, Americus, GA; one son, Mr. Reginald (Lisa) Colwell, Albany, GA; two daughters, Ms. Andrea Deneen Ingram and Ms. Lesley Lynn Hill, both of Americus, GA; one sister, Ms. Regina Colwell Tullis, Americus, GA; her grandchildren: Shannon Walton, Reginald Colwell, Jr., Reginae Colwell, JaMarcus Colwell, Jasmine Colwell, Cessiley Colwell, Julian Colwell, Kavon Angry, Devinn Ingram and Christopher Ingram; a host of great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends also survive.