Mrs. Emma Jean King Rush was born in Americus, Sumter County, Georgia on January 27, 1954, to the parents of the late Mr. Joe King and the late Mrs. Bertha Hall King. She was a graduate of the Americus High School Class of 1972. Mrs. Emma Jean King Rush became a faithful member of New Ebenezer Baptist Church as a child, where she remained an active member until her health failed. Emma served as President of the Ushers Board, and taught Sunday School for many years. She began her professional career at Procter & Gamble Paper Products, where she worked for over 30 years and retired in 2009. She later attended South Georgia Technical College, where she obtained a diploma in Business Administration Technology. She was a member of National Technical Honors Society for outstanding character and achievement.

On January 6, 2023, after 68 years of faithful service, the Lord said, "you have fought a good fight, you have finished your course, you have kept the faith." In addition to her beloved parents, she is preceded in death by her three sisters: Alice King Tatum Stewart, Louise Davis and Louisa King Small; two brothers, James King and Joe King, Jr.

Emma Jean King Rush married the love of her life, Mr. Miller L. Rush, Jr. on December 20, 1972, whom she leaves to cherish her memories along with her two sons, Mr. Terrence Rush of Americus, GA and Mr. Travis (Carla) Rush of Albany, GA; three sisters: Mrs. Amie (Hubert) Pettiford, Ms. Claudette Clark, both of Mattapan, MA and Ms. Beatrice Brown, Opa-Locka, FL; one brother, Mr. John (Denise) King, Americus, GA; a devoted nephew, Mr. Jimmy King and a devoted niece, Ms. Lisa Tatum of Americus, GA; one aunt, Ms. Eleanor Charleston, Orlando, FL; two devoted sisters-in-law, Mrs. Robin (James) Johnson of Americus, GA and Ms. Melinda Morgan of Albany, GA; fifteen grandchildren: Taiesha, Essence, Emerald, Terrence, Jr., Justin, Tramia, Terrende', Destiny, Torrence, Zyria, Azyri, Taylor, Ter'Dredian, Dorian and Ter'Kaevian; five great grandchildren: Alaric, Zayden, Elani, Ty'anna, and Ashton; and a host of other nieces and nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends also.

Mrs. Emma J. Rush would like to leave you with her favorite Psalm: "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help" (Psalms 121:1).