



Annette Brooks

March 21, 1961 - July 14, 2025

The Celebration of Life Service for Reverend Chaplain Annette Brooks will be held on Saturday, July 26, 2025 at 11:00 AM. This service will be recorded and streamed live. If the event is interrupted at any time due to technical issues, the entire event will be uploaded and available to view later in the day. Please copy and paste the link to share, or simply click on the link to view the event.

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Reverend Chaplain Annette Brooks—beloved wife, mother, sister, aunt, grandmother, and faithful friend—entered eternal rest on July 14, 2025, at the age of 64, after courageously battling a prolonged illness. Her life was rooted in prayer, unwavering faith, and steadfast obedience to God.

Born in Waynesboro, Georgia, to Matt Otis and Mamie Lou Williams, Annette's journey was uniquely shaped early on. At age 8, she entered foster care, where she was raised by Elder L.R. Hood and Missionary Christine Hood in a home that overflowed with love and devotion. She graduated from Dublin High School with the seeds of a purposeful life already planted.

Annette proudly enlisted in the United States Army as a Telecommunications Specialist. She served with distinction for eight years, earning a Top Security

Clearance—a reflection of her integrity and discipline. While in the army, Annette met and married her beloved husband, Gregory Brooks. During their 40 years of marriage, they raised three wonderful children and built a family anchored in faith, love, and service.

This love and dedication extended into the community where she later worked as a paraprofessional with Clayton County Public Schools, nurturing young minds with compassion and strength.

With 34 years of ministry experience, Annette's ministry reached far and wide—from churches and hospitals to women's shelters and senior communities. She led workshops, mentored individuals, and launched Broken to Wholeness: Daughters of the King Ministry to restore lives through prayer and biblical counseling.

Annette founded God, Marriage, and Family Ministries Inc., inspired by Psalm 127:1—“Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it.” Her passion to help others heal and rebuild through faith became the cornerstone of her calling. Her work was built on empathy, truth, and relentless hope. She was an ordained minister with Logos Global Network and a certified Chaplain with the American Chaplain Association.

Her academic achievements included a Bachelor of Arts in Christian Counseling/Chaplaincy from Aidan University, board certification in counseling, and two Advanced Diplomas in Biblical Counseling.

She was a prayer warrior, a soldier of the Lord, and a beacon of strength. Those who encountered her remember her gentle honesty, her radiant spirit, and her firm devotion to kingdom work. Through personal trials and triumphs, Annette spoke of God's provision—how He met her needs, blessed her family, and fueled her divine mission.

Beyond the ministry, Annette embraced life with joy. She had a flair for fashion, a love of gardening, and home décor, and a talent for turning ordinary moments into cherished memories. Her favorite snapshots captured more than beauty—they caught the spirit of a woman full of grace and fire.

She is survived by her loving husband Reverend, Chaplain Gregory Brooks; children Keith, Derek, and Sean; grandchildren Joloni, Leia, Kaia, and Keith Jr.; her siblings Rebecca Williams, Linda Brunette (Robert), Sweetie Lee Williams, Ernestine Harvard, Bettye Ficklin, Ann Ash (Philip), and Hazel Pitts (Tallis); and countless nephews, nieces, cousins, relatives, and devoted friends.

Annette's impact will be felt forever—in the relationships that she nurtured, in prayer circles, and the hearts of those she lifted in love. Her daily presence, laughter, and wisdom will be profoundly missed. Yet her legacy lives on—strong, eternal, and full of divine purpose.

Cemetery Details

Georgia National Cemetery

1080 Scott Hudgens Drive
Canton, GA 30114

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 25. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Rainbow Park Baptist Church
2941 Columbia Dr
Decatur, GA 30034

Celebration of Life

JUL 26. 11:00 AM (ET)

Rainbow Park Baptist Church
2941 Columbia Dr
Decatur, GA 30034

Tribute Wall

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“ It’s really difficult to put in my own words the gift the Lord gave me in Annette. So I will use the Word of God “Every good and perfect gift is from above coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights who does not change like shifting shadows “ James 1:17. Annette’s advice , counsel and encouragement was always from scripture. It set me free in so many things as it promises ,that the truth will set us free. John 8:32 Although she is absent in the body , all she imparted to me lives in my heart and in the way I live.

Yolanda LaFavor LaCue - July 25, 2025 at 12:06 PM

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“ It has taken me a long time to make this post because I didn't want to believe that the person I never met has transitioned to be with our Heavenly Father! To know Momma Brooks was to love everything about her. Her ability and gift of praying was unmatched, and I know her prayers went from her lips to God's ears. I was deeply saddened when I got that dreadful call because Sean made what I didn't want to think a reality. I hate that I never got a chance to meet her, but I believe that one day I will. What's crazy is God had been constantly placing her on my heart to call and even try to go and see her, but it never happened. The real lesson behind that is when God put someone on your heart, follow it up with a call or visit because you never know if that'll be the last time. This hurts more because she passed away on the same day as my mother, how ironic? She had a heart of gold and her life mirrored what Jesus would do. I know that her crown is heavy because the jewels she has collected over the years represented her unconditional love for others. May God bless her family and friends. Until we meet in Heaven, Love always...Your Angel. 😞

Angel Latimore - July 24, 2025 at 09:01 PM

DK

“ I met Minister Annette Brooks many years ago through her sisters, Bettye Ficklin and Hazel Pitts as we attended a church retreat. I also fellowship led with her on other occasions. She was a phenomenal woman of God. She was kind and always ready to offer an encouraging word. We will certainly miss Annette’s physical presence, but we know where she is.
RIP my Sister.

Dr. Glenda D. Knight

Dr. Glenda Knight - July 24, 2025 at 11:45 AM

SK

“ Annette has been a most fondly loved friend and great spiritual influence in my life since our families lived on the same court in Severn, MD, many decades ago. My daughter and I were treated like family when we visited the Brooks at their gracious home in Jonesboro in 2005. Every card she sent me, every time we spoke on the phone, Annette encouraged me in my faith in Christ. I am forever indebted to Sean for contacting me for my chance to have a last phone chat with Annette and for calling to inform me when this luminary of the faith entered into her well-deserved rest. If there were ever a person I knew personally that I have absolute certainty will hear "well done, good and faithful servant...enter into your rest", from The Lord, no one compared with Annette. Each time a precious friend passes, I do my best to find one of the special things about that person that I can carry on in the relay to bless humanity... I'll be praying for a while on which of the many godly traits I witnessed in my dear friend Annette to be sure I take up the baton that most highly emulates her life and honors how much she has always loved God and others. Rest well most beloved friend. I will see you when we both arrive at the marriage supper of The Lamb.

Susan England Kemenyas - July 23, 2025 at 05:16 PM



“ Heartfelt Tribute Lavender & White Floor Basket Arrangement was purchased for the family of Annette Brooks.



July 23, 2025 at 11:58 AM



“ Praying for all of you to feel the love and comfort of Christ. Annette was so encouraging and faithful. She spoke so much Truth into my life and situation. I printed out her words and read them daily for a year. It spurred me on to remember God's promises are True and that I can trust Him. Her reminder put steel in my spine to face another day during such a difficult season. She will be missed Earthside but my goodness what a celebration she received in Heaven and a "well done my good and faithful servant"! God bless all of you

Kim - July 23, 2025 at 10:40 AM



“ Praying for the Brooks family. Chaplain Annette touched so many lives for God's Glory. 🙏❤️

William Hill & family - July 22, 2025 at 10:45 PM



“ Bertha Smith lit a candle in memory of Annette Brooks



Bertha Smith - July 21, 2025 at 09:48 PM



“ *Minister Annette was a beautiful soul! We met with a divine connection! She has always supported my ministry, and was a powerful Deborah of our time! Rest continually in God’s arms!* ”

Gwendolyn Searls - July 21, 2025 at 03:56 PM



“ *Annette was like family. She assisted me with my mother during her last days of life in 2009. She also provided in home childcare for my now 19 year old. She kept up with my daughter to even attend her high school graduation festivities in 2024. We will always hold a special place in our heart for her.* ”

Sherese Dennard - July 21, 2025 at 03:55 PM



“ *Multicolor Pastel Mixed Flower Half Casket Cover was purchased for the family of Annette Brooks.* ”



July 21, 2025 at 02:35 PM



“ *Annette Brooks, my beautiful sister in Christ. Your love, friendship, smile and laughter are irreplaceable gifts from God. I am so grateful that you shared these precious gifts with me for so many years. I will always love you. Your "buddy" Lori Dobler* ”



Lori Dobler - July 19, 2025 at 07:45 AM

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Sending prayers for comfort and consolation to the family of Annette Brooks a very dear friend and close business associate. We've shared many stories and happy times as members of the Georgia Christian Counselors Association.

Dr.Joyce Wingate -Sligh - July 19, 2025 at 09:16 AM

VP

“ Annette was my amazing powerful loving sister in Christ for 30 years Her genuine care for others was awesome 🙌 I could shout to the world a million times over about her compassion and Christian life ❤️ her forever

Venasta Parsons - July 17, 2025 at 05:54 PM

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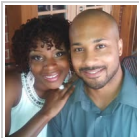
“ Annette was my amazing sister in Christ for 39 years! She was living a genuine life for God! I could shout to the world of how caring she truly was!! Love ❤️ her forever

Venasta Parsons - July 17, 2025 at 05:50 PM

BH

“ Belynda H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Annette Brooks.

Belynda H. - July 17, 2025 at 04:27 PM



“ Mama Brooks was one of the kindest most supporting people I know. If anyone is resting in the bosom of Abraham she is. She spent so much of her time loving people and personally cheering me on in my career. I'm thankful for her family sharing is with her ❤️

Nelldra Allen - July 17, 2025 at 03:12 PM

TB

*We met Sister Annette & her family in the Church became real true friends around 30 years ago my true friend ,my Prayer partner we share with each other we cry & laugh ,Praise our Lord ! together we love her family & I will FOREVER miss her until we meet again , we are sending her family our prayers & love ❤️
I miss you ! Sister Terry ❤️*

Terry Beltran - July 19, 2025 at 01:37 AM

KS

I met Annette in Hawaii at Tripler Army Hospital. She was across the hall from me. I could hear her speaking about Jesus. I was so happy to have a sister in the Lord I could speak to in the hospital. I lived on another island, Kauai. That was 1990. We stayed in touch throughout the years. She was the one who kept me accountable and moving forward. She was a courageous, beautiful, faith-filled woman of God. You're finally home, my sister! I'll see you when the Lord says it's my time. What a time of rejoicing that will be! Love you always, my sister!

Kathy Steele - July 21, 2025 at 03:54 PM



“ Heartfelt Sympathies Blue & White Funeral Standing Basket was purchased for the family of Annette Brooks.



July 17, 2025 at 01:19 PM