

Precious Memories



Beyond Life's Gateway

There's an open gate at the end of the road
through which each of us must go alone;

And there is a light we cannot see our

Father claim his own;

May God, who called our Dear Mother home
grant her peace and rest; and give us the strength
and faith to say that He indeed knows best;
Beyond the gate our Mother finds happiness and
rest, and there is comfort in the thought that a
loving God knows best.

*With Love,
The Family*

Home Going Celebration In Loving Memory Of



Mrs. Leila Mae Jasey

Sunrise: May 21, 1937 - Transitioned: November 11, 2020

Saturday, November 21, 2020
1:00 p.m.

Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church
Front Lawn

132 Bumphead Road ~ Americus, Georgia

Reverend Jermaine Harris, Officiating

Funeral Services Entrusted To:

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Obituary

Mrs. Leila Mae White Josey was born May 21, 1937. Her mother preceded her in death soon after giving birth to her and she was cared for by her deceased dear Aunt, Mrs. Mae Belle Cox who raised her as her own. She was married for forty seven years to Mr. Clarence Josey who preceded her in death and to this union, six children were born. She was a long-standing faithful member of Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church where she served in roles as secretary, treasurer, choir member, Stewardess and Missionary. She was a professional seamstress who was well known in the community for making tailored garments. She worked full-time at Manhattan Shirt Company and retired from Spilene in Ellaville, Georgia. She was also preceded in death by two sisters, Ms. Alma White and Mrs. Margaret Cox Mercer; and one son Mr. Anthony E. Josey.

On November 11, 2020, she departed this life to seek refuge with her Lord and Savior. She leaves to mourn the loss of her contagious smile, one daughter, Mrs. Deborah Josey Burks (Joseph) Smith of Macon, Georgia; four sons, Mr. Clarence Josey III and Mr. Ronald Josey, both of Americus, Georgia; Mr. Ernest M. (Carolyn) Josey of Buena Vista, Georgia; and Mr. John F. Josey of Atlanta, Georgia; three granddaughters, Ms. Amber Josey Caldwell and Mrs. Leila-Chassity Jones (Bradley) Small, both of Americus, Georgia and Ms. Rayven Josey Burks of Macon, Georgia; one sister, Ms. Ozella White of Americus, Georgia; five great-grandchildren; four sisters-in-law: Ms. Doris Josey and Mrs. Viola (James) Bridges, both of Americus, Georgia; Mrs. Willie Josey of Belle Glade, Florida; and Mrs. Addie Pearl Josey of Columbia, South Carolina; two devoted nieces, Mrs. Brenda (Allison) Harris and Mrs. Alice (Eddie) Mercer; devoted cousins: Mrs. Ozella Ferrell, Ms. Leila Meadows, Ms. Sarah Turrentine, Mr. Jimmy Meadows and Mrs. Linda Meadows Spivey; a host of nieces and nephews also survive, and dearly devoted friends: Mrs. Evelyn Raines and Mr. and Mrs. F. L. (LaVerne) McLaughlin.

Her life was dedicated to her Lord and Savior, her immediate family, and church family. She made sure her children attended Sunday school and church each Sunday. She was a quiet spirit who found pleasantry in all things.

MaMa, WE LOVE YOU



The Order of Service

- Musical Prelude..... Soft Music
- Prayer..... Reverend Lodenia Coleman
- Scripture..... Reverend Jermaine Harris
- Hymn..... Mr. Stan Josey
- Family Reflections..... Mr. Ernest Josey
- Obituary..... *Read Silently*
- Duet..... Mr. Cecil Williams
Mrs. Marilyn Williams
- Eulogy..... Reverend Jermaine Harris
- Acknowledgements..... Staff of West Mortuary
- Soft Music
- Final Tribute..... Staff of West Mortuary
- Recessional

Interment

New Mt. Mariah Baptist Church Cemetery
Americus, Georgia
Committal Service..... Reverend Jermaine Harris

Acknowledgements

The kindness of relatives and friends who shared our sorrow has comforted and sustained us in the loss of our dear loved one. We thank you for thinking of us in our time of need. Your sincere expressions of sympathy are greatly appreciated.

The Josey Family