

## When I Am Gone

When I am gone, release me – let me go  
I have so many things to see and do.

You must not tie yourself to me with tears

Be happy that we had so many years. I gave you love,  
you can only guess, how much you gave me in happiness.

I thank you for the love each have shown,  
but now it is time I travelled alone.

So grieve awhile for me if grieve you must,  
then let your grief be comforted by trust

It is only for a while that we must part  
so bless those memories within your heart.

I will not be far away, for life goes on.  
so if you need me, call and I will come.

Though you cannot see or touch me, I will be near

And if you listen with your heart, you will hear

All of my love around you, soft and clear.

Then when you must come this way alone,

I will greet you with a smile and “Welcome Home”



## Honorary Pallbearers

Deac. Peter Dobson | Deac. Lonnie Gibson | Deac. James Worth  
Deac. Wayne Shields | Deac. Jimmy Bussey | Deac. Terrell Thrower  
Deac. Bobby Fletcher | Min. Chris Martin

## Active Pallbearers

Lorenzo Grady Jr. | Maurice Edmonson | Richard King Jr.  
Steven McQueen | Rodriquez Mizell | Chris Powell  
Riggie Johnson | Reggie Johnson | Larry Hunt  
Desmond Murphy

## Floral Attendants

ECIM Church Family | Friends

## Interment

Douglas City Cemetery  
1623 North Gaskin Avenue  
Douglas, Georgia 31533

## Repast

Empowerment Center International Ministries Social Hall  
489 GA 206 Connector  
Douglas, Georgia 31533

## Acknowledgements

Friends are earthly blessings when they respond in moments of despair. Our Family will forever be grateful to God for giving us faithful friends during the illness and passing of our loved one. Your expressions of kindness and thoughtfulness are sources of strength and divine consolation. May God grant unto you his richest blessings.

The Family

*Final Arrangements Entrusted To:*

HARRELL'S FUNERAL HOME  
400 E. CHERRY STREET ~ DOUGLAS, GEORGIA 31533  
LICENSED DIRECTOR/EMBALMER, SIDNEY K. HARRELL  
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# Celebrating the Life for



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*Sunrise: August 20, 1950 - Sunset: April 27, 2024*

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024

At 11:00 AM

PASTOR FRANK C. BUSSEY JR., EULOGIST

THE EMPOWERMENT CENTER INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES

489 NORTH 206 CONNECTOR

DOUGLAS, GEORGIA 31533

PASTOR RAYMOND GREEN, PRESIDING

# Life Reflections

**A Time To Be Born:** In loving memory of our cherished Mother, Jeannette Tillman, whose vibrant spirit graced this world from August 20, 1950. Born to the late Willie James McQueen and Iula Swain McQueen, Jeannette's journey was marked by warmth, kindness, and an unwavering love for her family and community. Jeannette's life was a testament to the power of love and resilience. Through life's trials and triumphs, she remained a beacon of strength and hope for those around her. Her nurturing heart knew no bounds, as she dedicated herself wholeheartedly to the well-being of her loved ones.

**A Time To Be Planted:** She received her education in the public school systems of Telfair and Coffee County. Jeannette embraced her spiritual journey at Sears Street Church of God under the nurturing leadership of Pastor Turner, where she remained a dedicated member. Later, she found a spiritual home at Empowerment Center International Ministries, under the leadership of Pastor Frank C. Bussey Jr., where she served as Head of the Usher Board, demonstrating her unwavering commitment to serving God with devotion and grace.

**A Time To Live:** After dedicating many years of service, Jeannette retired from her long-standing career at Campbell Soup Co. Following her retirement, she continued her work ethic as a carrier for Douglas News for over three decades. Outside of her professional life, Jeannette devoted countless hours to nurturing her relationships with her beloved family, church community, and cherished friends. Among her greatest joys were the precious moments spent with her grandchildren, whom she adored and delighted in creating lasting memories with.

**A Time To Mourn:** Jeannette is preceded in death by her parents, Willie James McQueen and Iula Swain McQueen.

**A Time To Depart:** Jeannette departed her earthly home on Saturday, April 27, 2024.

**A Time To Cherish:** Jeannette's loving memory will forever be cherished by her devoted husband of 30 years, John Frank Tillman, and their seven beloved children: Wayne (Tamara) McQueen, Frank (Lakitsa) Bussey, Sanshell Bussey, Brandee Tillman, Lacishia (Marcus) Bennett, Terrell Tillman, Jerrell Tillman, and Kendrick Tillman. She is also survived by her three brothers: James (Christine) McQueen, Mack (Dawn) Jones, and Charles (Monika) Edmonson; and four sisters: Mary (Early) McCray, Diane Rogers, Wanda Edmonson, and Betty Edmonson; mothers-in-love, Pearl Williams and Jeanette Tillman. Her legacy lives on through her ten grandchildren: Matthew Bussey, Mykissinee Bussey, Shaquina Ellis, Zemiria Bussey, Alexis Bussey, Julia Cauley, Nevaeh Bussey, Chelsey Studstill, Danielle Dawson, and Mondrell Hicks, as well as her eight great-grandchildren. Additionally, she leaves behind a special niece, Carol (Carlos) Goodman, and is remembered fondly by her aunts, Carrie Collins and Grace Powell, along with a multitude of in-loves, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends whom she loved deeply. Jeannette Tillman leaves behind a legacy of love, compassion, and strength—a legacy that will continue to inspire all who were touched by her grace. May her soul rest in eternal peace, knowing that she was deeply loved and will be profoundly missed.

# Precious Memories



# Order of Service

Presiding, Pastor Raymond Green

- Processional.....Ministers and Family
- Final Glimpse
- Invocation.....Minister Keisha Webb
- Scripture Readings
  - Old Testament.....Minister Eva Green
  - New Testament.....Minister Donnie Bussey
- Solo.....Pastor Michael Wesley
- Slide Show
- Reflections.....Please Limit To Two Minutes
  - As a Friend.....Christine Harris
  - As a Church Member.....Lois Fletcher
  - As a Granddaughter.....Zemiria Bussey
  - Anyone Desiring to Speak
- Solo.....Minister Rashad Thomas
- Eulogy.....Pastor Frank C. Bussey Jr.
- Resolution.....Dinitra Williams
- Acknowledgments.....Harrell's Funeral Home Staff
- Benediction