



Prayer for Strength When Grieving

Lord, at the moment nothing seems to be able to help the loss I feel.

My heart is broken, and my spirit mourns.

All I know is that Your grace is sufficient.

This day, this hour

Moment by moment

I choose to lean on You

For when I am my weakest Your strength is strongest.

I pour out my grief to You

And praise You that on one glorious day

When all suffering is extinguished, and love has conquered

We shall walk together again.

Appreciation

The McQueen family is grateful to each of you who have expressed your acts of kindness through cards, flowers, food, phone calls, prayers, visits, and your presence here today. Thanks to all our friends and church families. We will always remember the support you have shown us. May God forever bless and keep you all.

A special thank you to Ocean Avenue Baptist Church where Willa was a member for 20 plus years.

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A Homegoing Service for Willa Dean McQueen

*Sunrise
November 20, 1944*



*Sunset
October 29, 2019*

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you.

Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

John 14:27

*Monday, November 4, 2019
2:00 PM*

*Nazareth Missionary Baptist Church
21520 RaeFord Road
Wagram, North Carolina 28396*

Pastor Darrel D. Gibson, Jr. | Eulogist



ORDER OF SERVICE

Pastor Darrel D. Gibson, Jr., Presiding



Musical Prelude

Processional & Viewing.....Clergy & Family

Selection.....Choir

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament.....Evangelist Mary Ann Leach
New Bethel Holiness Church

New Testament.....Rev. Dr. Johnnie W. Gorham
Shady Grove Missionary Baptist Church

Prayer of Comfort.....Minister

Solo.....Bernard McNeill
"May The Work I've Done Speak for Me"

Reflections.....Evelyn Thomas-Classmate
Mable Edwards-Sister
Clifton McQueen-Brother

Obituary & Acknowledgements.....Stephanie Little

Solo.....Teresa Pemberton-McLean
"You Know My Name"

Eulogy.....Pastor Darrel D. Gibson, Jr.

Recessional.....Purcell Funeral Home

Floral & Pall Bearers

Family & Friends

Committal & Interment

McAllister Cemetery
Wagram, North Carolina

OBITUARY

To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven. A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted; A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away; A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.

Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8 KJV

Willa Dean McQueen was born on November 20, 1944, to the late Clifton and Mable McQueen Sr., in Scotland County, North Carolina. On Tuesday, October 29, 2019, she departed this earthly life at Jersey City Medical Center in Jersey City, New Jersey.

Dean attended the Public Schools of Scotland County and graduated from Shaw High School in 1962. She later furthered her education and attended technical school. She held several jobs before moving to Jersey City, where she was a postal clerk for the United States Postal Service for forty-six years.

At an early age, she confessed Christ as her Lord and Savior. Willa joined Oak Hill Missionary Baptist Church before transferring her membership to Nazareth Missionary Baptist Church. Upon relocating to Jersey City, while under watchcare she joined Ocean Avenue Baptist Church. There Dean worked diligently and faithfully in the church as a Sunday School Teacher, and Ordained Deaconess.

Dean is survived by her son, Thomas E. McQueen (Janet) of Wagram, NC; grandson, Christopher T. Locklear (Rickeya); granddaughter, Shanika Olden (Shannon); five great-grandchildren, Za'kiyah, Carter, Kanye, Chenoa, Phoenix; four sisters, Catherine McQueen, Mable Edwards (Lorenza), Carolyn M. Hooker (David), and Brenda C. Randolph (Asumana); three brothers, Clifton McQueen Jr. (Sandra), James McQueen (Linda), and Michael (Betty); one uncle Jethro McEachin (Ruth); and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends whom she loved dearly.