

EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE
The family wishes to extend their sincere appreciation and gratitude for all acts of kindness: prayers, telephone calls, and visits during their hour of bereavement. May God continue to bless you with his care. - The family of Deacon Willie Thompson

#### **PALLBEARERS**

Family And Thompson Family Friends

#### FLORAL BEARERS

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# HIS JOURNEY'S JUST BEGUN

Don't think of him as gone away his journey's just begun, life holds so many facets this earth is only one.

Just think of him as resting from the sorrows and the tears in a place of warmth and comfort where there are no days and years.

Think how he must be wishing that we could know today how nothing but our sadness can really pass away.

And think of him as living in the hearts of those he touched for nothing loved is ever lost and he was loved so much.



CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

THE GRAVESIDE CELEBRATION
Saturday January 8, 2022 [1:00 AM]
New Beliany Baptist Church Cemetery
781 New Beliany Road
Fort Motte SC



CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF SERVICE

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude

Processional -Selection ......New Bethany Baptist Church Choir Scripture Readings Old Testament...... Deacon George Pondexter Prayer.....Lillian Plush Reflections Deacon George Pondexter Aaron Plush Poem ..... ...Jessica Corbin Words Of Comfort......Reverend John M Wolfe, Pastor Selection: New Bethany Baptist Church Choir Celebration Message......Reverend Frank Parker, Pastor Committal, Prayer, Benediction

#### Interment

New Bethany Baptist Church Cemetery

### A PROFILE OF HIS LIFE DEACON WILLIE THOMPSON

Mr. Willie Benjamin Thompson, son of the late Willie Thompson Sr. and Cora Woods was born March 20, 1939 in Blair SC. Willie departed this life on Friday December 31, 2021 at the Bryant Nursing Center in Columbia SC after a extended illness.

One sister Mrs. Betty Thompson Johnson preceded him in death. Willie was united in holy matrimony to Cassie Plush.

Willie was educated in Fairfield County Public Schools. As an adult, he worked for many decades in the construction field. He also served in the United States Army. Upon completion, he was honorably discharged.

Willie departed this life on Friday December 31, 2021 at Bryan Nursing Home after an extended illness.

Willie accepted Jesus Christ into his life at an early age. As an adult he united with New Bethany Baptist Church where he was a dedicated deacon for several decades. Deacon Thompson was known for his powerful and inspiring prayers. His determination to serve God was clearly seen as he drove from Columbia to Fort Motte to worship with New Bethany Baptist Church congregation. He kept this routine until his health declined.

Deacon Thompson had a reputation as a loving father figure for children. As such, he was known for his giving spirit.

Willie leaves to cherish his love and fond memories his loving wife Cassie Thompson of Columbia, South Carolina, two sons: Benjamin Glover of Columbia, South Carolina and Sam Plush(Tracy) of Orangeburg, South Carolina. One sister in-law, Mrs. Ada Richardson Three grandchildren and one great-grand child. Several nieces and one nephew; and a host of other relatives and friends who will dearly miss him.

## HEAVEN'S GARDEN

Somewhere in the garden
A flower breaks the ground
Begins its journey upwards
And doesn't make a sound

Things that go unnoticed
Change us every day
And even just the little things
Can affect us in some way

Where did it come from?
This life within the seed
Was it there forever?
Or did it grow from love and
need

Soon it grows much stronger And takes the form we know Reflecting now and always The love that God does show