



A SOLDIER'S PRAYER



DEAR LORD, I'M JUST A SOLDIER
A PROTECTOR OF OUR LAND
A SERVANT CALLED TO BATTLE
WHEN MY COUNTRY TAKES A STAND
I PRAY FOR STRENGTH AND COURAGE
AND A HEART THAT WILL FORGIVE
FOR PEACE AND UNDERSTANDING
IN A WORLD FOR ALL TO LIVE
MY FAMILY'S PRAYERS ARE WITH ME
NO MATTER WHERE I ROAM
PLEASE LISTEN WHEN I'M LONELY
AND RETURN ME SAFELY HOME.

Acknowledgements

The family wishes to express their humble gratitude to the many family and friends who have expressed their love and concern for us during this difficult time. Thank you for the overflowing of condolences, cards, prayers, and gifts.

We will never forget it. God bless you all.

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Celebration of Life In Loving Memory Of Deacon Cozell McQueen Sr.



Sunrise
June 18, 1937

Sunset
January 11, 2022

Saturday, January 15, 2022

12:00 Noon

Berea Convention Center

Bennettsville, South Carolina 29512

Reverend Dr. Harold Livingston, Officiating

Obituary

Deacon Cozell McQueen Sr. heard the last sounds of the Tap on January 11, 2022 after an extended illness at his residence. He was born on January 18, 1937, in Marlboro County to the Late Kinney Sr. and Estelle Oliver McQueen.

Deacon McQueen Sr. received his formal education in the public schools of Marlboro County. He grew up in a loving and caring home. During his youth, he confessed Christ as his Savior and joined Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church.

He joined the military at a young age. He was a member of the 82nd Airborne, Fort Bragg, NC where he retired after 22 years. He then went to work at Galey and Lord in Society Hill, SC where he was the head electrician for 20 years.

Deacon McQueen Sr. was a loyal and faithful member of Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church as one of the Senior Deacons. He was a Sunday School teacher where he taught the teens. He was a member of the Male Chorus, Senior Choir, and Voices of Praise. He also drove the church bus and van.

One of his favorite sayings was “OLD SOLDIERS NEVER DIE, THEY JUST FADE AWAY.”

His wife Betty F. McQueen; four sisters, Ethel Lee Madison, Mary McQueen Leake, Annie Gladys McQueen, and Doreen McQueen Davis; two brothers, Kinney McQueen Jr., and John Troy McQueen Sr. predeceased him.

Left to cherish his fond memories are two daughters, Betty H. McQueen of the home and Beverly Muse (Jeffrey) of Delaware, four sons, Cozell McQueen Jr. (Rev. MisChella) of Cary, NC, Vincent McQueen of Washington, DC, Desi McQueen of Orangeburg, SC, Phillip McQueen of the home; seven grandchildren, James McQueen (Shevial), who was raised in the home, Cozell McQueen III, Chaz McQueen, Chyna McQueen, Krista McQueen, Desi McQueen, and Zaidan McQueen; one great granddaughter Naomi McQueen; three sisters, Lizziephine McQueen Moody (Curtis) of Bennettsville, SC, Lillian Estelle Fulwood and Dorothy McQueen Williams of Trenton, New Jersey; one aunt Geraldine McQueen Bingham (Robert) of Bennettsville, SC; four sisters-in law, Dorothy McQueen, Ruby Lee Parker (Zannie), Lillie Mae Oliver (Nathaniel), Almeta McRae (Howard) all of Bennettsville, SC; seven brothers-in-law, Freddie Purvis, Henry L. Purvis, Woody Purvis (Claudie Mae), Larry Purvis (Mamie), James Paul Purvis (Martha), Ronnie Purvis (Elaine) and Gordon Purvis all of Bennettsville, SC; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.



Order of Service

- Prelude
- Processional.....Family and Friends
- Selection.....The Choir
- Scriptures
 - Old Testament.....Rev. Dr. Coley Mearite
 - New Testament.....Rev. James Brown
- Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. Doris Smith
- Selection.....The Choir
- Reflections.....Deacon Spencer Smith
- Resolution.....Wanda Covington/Deacon Spencer Smith
- Acknowledgements.....Mrs. Tracey McLeod-Williams
- Solo.....Marlon Prince
- Eulogy.....Rev. Dr. Harold Livingston
- Recessional and Parting View

Committal and Interment
Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church

Honorary Pallbearers
Deacons of Macedonia

