

# FLOWER BEARERS

Rachel Maxwell Saundra Burch Cathy Bush

Ronaysia White Michelle White Keondra White

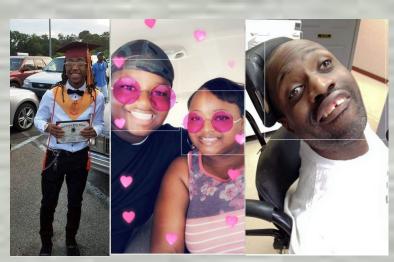
# **CASKET BEARERS**

Corey Wiley
Patrick Murray
MiKendrick Maxwell

Michael Maxwell Chazman White Isiah White

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# Home Going Celebration for

# LeRoy White

Sunrise January 28, 1957

Sunset December 19, 2018



Saturday, December 29, 2018 2:00 p.m. St. Paul C.M.E. Church Bowman, GA

Rev. A. J. Richardson, Pastor

Interment ~ Holly Springs Church Cemetery
Bowman, GA

# Obituary

LeRoy "Booker" White was born on January 28, 1957 to the late Dillard and Hazel Wooden White. He entered his eternal life on December 19, 2018.

At an early age, he joined the St. Paul C.M.E. Church and later served on the Steward Board and was Chairman of the Building Fund. In 1975, LeRoy graduated from Elbert County High School. Later in 1975, he enrolled at Middle Georgia College, Cochran, Georgia. He later transferred to Anderson College, Anderson, South Carolina where he earned his Associate of Arts degree in 1988. He continued his education at LaGrange College, LaGrange, Georgia and earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science in 1981.

After graduating from LaGrange College, LeRoy returned home to Hartwell and became involved in community activities and organizing under the leadership of Charles Heard. He joined the Hartwell Citizens in Action and the Hart County N.A.A.C.P. LeRoy later became Program Coordinator of Hartwell Citizens in Action. He served as member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Legal Services Program and the Board of Directors of the Georgia Clients Council. From 1993 until 1994, he served as President of the Fund for Southern Communities (FSC), a public foundation that supports and unites organizations and donors working to create just and sustainable communities that are free of oppression and that embrace and celebrate all people. Through grant-making and related activities the Fund for Southern Communities fostered social change initiated by community-based groups in Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina. The Fund for Southern Communities provided the financial resource to help move groups from thought to action. FSC supports small community groups working for environmental justice, anti-racism, women's rights, youth development, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) rights, worker's rights, civil rights and disability rights and other varied issues that addressed social change through community organizing.

In 1984, LeRoy ran at large for a seat on what was then the Hart County Board of Finance. LeRoy was believed to be the first black to run for county wide office. Although his campaign was unsuccessful, his threatened lawsuit along with the Hart County N.A.A.C.P. led to a negotiation in the change of form of government

from at large voting to district voting and a change from the three person Hart County Board of Finance to the Hart County Board of Commissioners with an increase in commission members. LeRoy moved to Macon in 1987 and was unable to run for office the following election cycle. However, due to the change to district voting, the first black was elected to the Hart County Board of Commissioners.

On April 21, 1987, LeRoy accepted a position as Paralegal with the Macon Office of the Georgia Legal Services Program. In his capacity as Paralegal, LeRoy represented clients in hearings such as unemployment, welfare (Food Stamps and TANF), Social Security and SSI disability, Medicaid, Medicare, nursing home discharges and housing cases. In 2016, LeRoy was promoted to Senior Paralegal.

Preceding LeRoy in death was his sisters Earlene Edwards, Bertha White and JoAnn White, Lucy G. Murray and brothers, Dennis White and George C. White. He was also preceded in death by his nephew, Timothy D. White, whom he cared for and his nephew, Kenneth Bernard White.

LeRoy leaves behind to cherish his memories, his sister, Ethel M. White of Royston, Georgia and his brother, L. M. White of Royston, Georgia, and his godson, Tylor N. Hill of Macon, Georgia along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Repast ~ St. Paul C.M.E. Church



## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The family of LeRoy White wishes to express sincere gratitude for your visits, calls, flowers, words of comfort and acts of kindness during our bereavement. We truly thank you.

The Family

### ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional Clergy & Family Soft Music
Prayer Joann Harland
Scripture: Old Testament Pamela Teasley Tate
New Testament Joann Harland
Selection Latonya Geter
Remarks
Acknowledgement
Solo
Eulogy Rev. A.J. Richardson
Recessional
Interment ~ Holly Springs Church Cemetery
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# Don't Cry For Me

Don't cry for me,
I'm not gone,
My soul is at rest,
My heart lives on.
Light a candle for me to see,
and hold on to my memory,
but save your tears for I'm still here,
by your side through the years.