

Obituary

An Incomparable husband and father, Willie Elree Jones was born on April 20, 1935 to the late Walter and Isabella Scott Jones in Lawrence County, Alabama. He departed this earthly life on Friday, November 6, 2020 at his residence in Decatur, Alabama.

Deacon Willie Jones confessed hope in Christ at an early age and joined the Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Town Creek, AL. After the drive became hazardous for him, he moved closer home to Westside Missionary Baptist Church in Decatur, AL, where he remained faithful until his health failed. He always worked diligently in his churches, serving on the deacon board, treasurer, Outreach and Van Ministry and Missionary Society. Deacon Willie Jones was a kind, caring and giving person to all who met him. He was fun to be around and made everyone laugh. He loved God to the fullest.

He worked hard to provide for his family. He worked at Fruehauf Manufacturing for over 35 years. He also loved to take care of his home and his rental properties. He stressed the importance of maintaining and preserving their upkeep.

Deacon Willie Jones was preceded in death by his loving wife Emma Ruth Jones, son Willie Jones Jr.; twin granddaughters, Tiffany and Stephanie Jones and 16 siblings.

Deacon Willie Jones leaves a legacy of love to be shared by: **one caring daughter**, Peggy Seay (Jerry) of Decatur, AL; **one loving son**, Calvin Jones (Edwina) of Kansas City, Missouri, **a devoted and loving grandchild and caregiver**; Tamala Marshall of Decatur, AL; **one brother**; Willie B. Jones (Ada) of Muscle Shoals, AL; **one daughter-in-law**, Jamesetta Jones of Atlanta, GA; **two caring and devoted friends for life and in-laws**, Freddie and Vera Abernathy of Decatur, AL; **one sister in-law**; Gloria Jones of Decatur, AL; **two brothers-in-law**; William Shackelford (Helen) of Chattanooga, TN and Bobby Shackelford (Annie) of Town Creek, AL; **five grandchildren**, Kemoine Seay (Angela), Antoine McCoy (Nicole), Calvin Jones Jr, Kyle Woods (Starr) and Kordell Woods; **twelve great grandchildren**; **one great grandchild**; **a devoted and dedicated family friend**, Nora (Red) Gholston; **a host of adoring nieces, nephews, cousins and friends**.

Order of Service



Prelude

Song.....Sis. Vitoria Truss

Prayer.....Deacon Dwight Owens

Scripture

Old Testament.....Minister Marshall Garner

New Testament.....Pastor Reginald Johnson

Words of Comfort.....Pastor Sylvester Truss

Acknowledgement.....Dr. Lucy S. Cohen

Song.....Sis. Lorenda Pryor

Eulogy.....Pastor Jessie Little

Committal..... Pastor Little

Closing Prayer..... Pastor Reginald Johnson



I Made It Home

*I finally made it home,
Oh, I am so happy that now I am alright!
There is a perfect joy and beauty in the Everlasting light.
My work is done, my soul is free.
I thank you all for still caring for me.
But there is work still waiting for you.
So you must not just wait and stand.
Do it now, while life remaineth,
And you will also rest in God's Land.
My family's circle has been broken;
A link is gone
From the Jones/ Shackelford's chain;
But though we're parted for awhile;
Keep God in your life,
I truly know we'll meet again.*

Reunited



Acknowledgement

The Jones Family would like to thank everyone who extended their prayers and acts of kindness during the illness and loss of their loved one. Special thanks to Hospice of the Valley and Decatur Morgan Home Care. May God continue to bless each of you.

Homegoing Celebration

for

Mr. Willie Elree Jones

April 20, 1935

November 6, 2020



Graveside Service

Friday, November 13, 2020

12:00 O'clock p.m.

Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery

140 County Rd 271

Town Creek, AL 35672

*Pastor Jessie Little, Officiating
Reynolds Funeral Home, Directing*