## FLORAL BEARERS

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# **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

The family would like to take this opportunity to express our sincerest appreciation for the thoughtfulness presented to us and the love we have been shown during our time of bereavement.

May God bless you all.

# We Thought Of You Today

We thought of you with love today,
But that is nothing new.
We thought about you yesterday,
And days before that too.
We think of you in silence,
We often speak your name.
We'll always remember
That special smile,
That caring heart,
That warm embrace.
Your memory is our keepsake,
With which we'll never part.
God has you in His keeping,
We have you in our heart.

~ Author Unknown ~



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# Celebrating The Life of Mr. Eddie Jay MCNAIR

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April
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Sunset February 4, 2019

Sunday, February 10, 2019 • 2:00 PM

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**MOUNTAIN GROVE CEMETERY** 

Raeford, North Carolina

#### THE OBITUARY

On Monday, February 4, 2019, Mr. Eddie Jay McNair transitioned from his earthly life to his heavenly home and entered into eternity with the Lord. Eddie was born on April 21, 1940 to the late Jessie and Mary McNair in Robeson County, North Carolina. Eddie was known for his infectious smile and his craftsman skills. He was a quiet and humble giant who loved his family, his garden and his tools.

In 1958, Eddie graduated from Bladen Central High School in Bladen County, NC. He was a star linebacker for his high school football team and excelled in math and science with his favorite subjects being Trigonometry. He was praised as the Class of 1958 Poet with this poem entitled "Triumph". After high school, he relocated to Washington, DC, where he became certified as an engineering apprentice. He worked as an elevator operator in the city. After attending college and working in the city, he returned home due to an illness and was cared for by his mother.

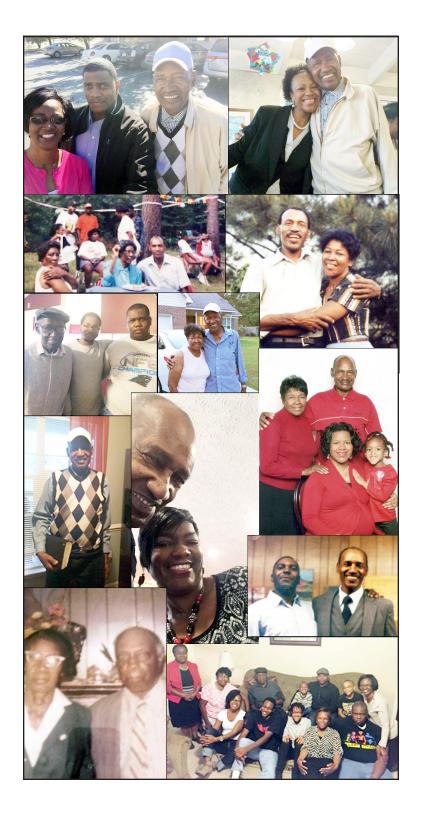
Eddie's career was a construction contractor thrived after he moved to Raeford, NC. Eddie spent a great deal of his career building wellknown companies, schools and complexes around the Cumberland, Hoke and Moore County areas. Also, he diligently worked as a civilian contractor on the Fort Bragg Army Base. He dedicated his last years of service to the City of Raeford, where he retired after experiencing a serious illness. Eddie committed his life to Christ in 1979. He served as a dedicated member in the churches he attended. He spent over 30 years of his adult life serving at Mountain Grove AME Zion Church in Raeford as a trustee. He also worshipped at God's Garden with Pastor Vincent Sturrup; and later,

joined Living in Authority Ministries until he departed this life.

Eddie was preceded in death by two sisters, Edithus McNeill and Carrie Mae Robinson; and two brothers, Samuel McNair and David McNair. He is also preceded by his son, Gregory Blackshear.

He leaves to cherish his loving memories: his wife Rovenia McNair; two daughters, Jarius McNair Edens (Corey) of Springfield, Illinois and Lynn Blackshear-Ray (Darrick) of Raeford, NC; two sons, Fernandez Blackshear (Danielle) of Oxon Hill, MD and Anthony Blackshear (Evelyn) of New Bern, NC; twelve grandchildren, Jordan, Corey II, Dyrrin, Devin, Mateo, Noah, Zoe, Cree, Maceo, Deangelo, Tacarra and Becky; one brother, Jessie McNair (Verdell) of Raeford, NC; three sisters, Cletis McNatt of Washington, DC, Mary Satterfield of Washington, DC and Blanche Farmer of Columbus, GA; one brother-in-law, Anglish McPhatter of New York, NY; two close nephews, Charlie Chandler and Steve McNair; one close friend, Deacon Willie Davis (2); a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.





## A Letter To My Wife

When I saw the light, I kept walking and walking and walking into the light. And I knew when I was in the light, there would be no more heartache and pain.

Thank God Almighty I'm home at last.

See you in eternity!

Eddie

## Poem (From Daddy's Girl)

The first one to love my smile, The first one to hold my hand, The first one to pray over my life, And daddy's girl I truly was.

You always held my hand with strength, Your eyes always smiled at me with love, Your heart always made my heart beat faster,

A daddy's girl I truly was.

You sang with me,
You laughed with me,
You sat with me,
You grew old with me,
A daddy's girl I truly was.

As the days grew longer, And the struggle was tough, Each day, my love grew stronger, Even when you'd had enough.

As the tears flow from my eyes, I know you're at peace. Even as I have to say these goodbyes, I am sure, you'll always be my daddy... And, I'll always be your little girl.

> Love, **Jarius**

