



**PALL BEARERS**

**Grandsons**

**FLOWER BEARERS**

**Granddaughters**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

*The Family of Mrs. Martha Louise Spivey wishes to express their sincere appreciation for all acts of kindness shown to them during the death of their loved one.*

*Special thanks to Amedisys, Southern Care and Meals on Wheels. May God richly bless each of you. ~The Family~*

**INTERMENT**

*Armour Memorial Garden  
Alexander City, Alabama*



**Armour's**

**Memorial Service**  
1465 North Central Avenue  
Alexander City, AL 35010

Phone: (256) 234-2776 Fax: (256) 234-0259

**The Homegoing Service**

for

*Mrs. Martha Louise Spivey*



**Sunrise**  
March 31, 1933

**Sunset**  
July 26, 2017

**Tuesday, August 1, 2017**

**1:00 PM**

**Early Rose Missionary Baptist Church**  
Alexander City, Alabama

**Rev. Delvelkio A. Wilson, Pastor/Officiating**

**Armour's Funeral Staff Directing**

## The Obituary

Martha Louise Spivey was born in Tallapoosa County, Alabama on March 31, 1933 to the late Mr. Adolphus Allen and Laura Ransaw.

She was united with the Early Rose Missionary Baptist Church and served faithfully until her health failed.

On August 5, 1955, she was united in marriage to the late Mr. Willie James Spivey Sr. To this union four step-children and twelve children were born.

Mrs. Spivey departed this life peacefully on Tuesday, July 26, 2017 at her home. She was preceded in death by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adolphus Allen, 15 siblings Husband, Mr. Willie James Spivey Sr., a daughter, Misha Boston.

She leaves to cherish her memories seven daughters, Martha Ellen Allen, Charlotte Louise Allen, both of Alexander City, AL, Priscilla Ann Ward (Nathaniel) of Fayetteville, North Carolina, Patricia Ann Buchanan (Benjamin) of Alexander City, AL, Belinda Joyce Cook of Daleville, AL, Catrina Denise Rowe (Sam) and Regina Yvonne Spivey, both of Alexander City, AL eight sons, Ray Anthony Allen, Donald Lee Spivey, Ronald Lee Spivey, Willie James Spivey Jr., Kenneth Dewayne Spivey, Darryl Spivey (Diane), Derick Demond Spivey (Sherry), all of Alexander City, AL and Calvin O'neal Spivey (Vicky) of Madison, AL, 32 grandchildren; 48 great grandchildren; 3 great great grandchildren; one sister-in-law, Celestine Allen of Savannah, GA and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

## A Mother's Love

A Mother's love is something  
that no one can explain;  
it is made of deep devotion  
and of sacrifice and pain.  
It is endless and unselfish  
and enduring come what may.  
For nothing can destroy it  
or take that love away.....  
It is patient and forgiving  
when all others are forsaking.  
And it never fails or falters  
even though the heart is breaking.....  
It believes beyond believing,  
when the world around condemns.  
And it glows with all the beauty  
of the rarest, brightest gems.  
It is far beyond defining.,  
It defies all explanation.,  
And it still remains a secret  
like the mysteries of creation....  
A many splendored miracle,  
man cannot understand.  
And another wondrous evidence  
of God's tender guiding hand.



Sunset  
July 26, 2017

Sunrise  
March 31, 1933

Martha Louise Spivey

Mother's Love



*Precious Memories*

### **My Last Request**

Please don't say that I gave up, just say that I gave in.  
 Don't say I lost the battle, for its God's war to lose or win.  
 Please don't say how good I was, but that I did my best  
 Just say I tried to for what's right, to give the most I could, not less.  
 Please don't give me wings or halos, that's for God to do.  
 I want no more than I deserve, no extras, just my due  
 Please don't give me flowers, or talk in harsh tones.  
 Don't be concerned with me now, I'm well with God... I've made it home.  
 Don't talk about what could have been, its over and done.  
 Just see to all my family's needs, the battle has been won  
 When you draw a picture of me, don't draw me as a saint,  
 I've done some good, I've done some wrong, so use all your paint,  
 Not just the bright and light tones, use some grey and dark,  
 In fact, don't put me down on canvas, paint me in your heart.  
 Don't just remember all the good times, but remember all the bad.  
 For life is full of many things, some happy and some sad.  
 But if you must do something, then I have one last request.  
 Forgive me for the wrongs I've done and with the love that's left,  
 Thank God for my soul's resting, thank God for all who loved me,  
 PRAISE GOD who loved me best.

### **ASLEEP**

I've closed my eyes and fallen asleep;  
 So there's no reason for you to weep.  
 This is a debt we all must pay  
 But it is a sweet and peaceful way.  
 I've endured pain and sometimes sorrow;  
 Now I don't have to worry about tomorrow.  
 But life for you must go on;  
 You must not worry because I'm gone.  
 You stood beside me all the way  
 When I was down you knew what to say.  
 You always told me to get some rest  
 Let me sleep now: I've done my best.  
 So please now let me rest in peace;  
 The tears you're shedding soon will cease.

## **Order of Service**

Prelude  
 Processional  
 Song .....Choir  
 Scripture:  
 Old Testament.....Minister Thomas Kelley  
 New Testament.....Rev. Emerson Ware  
 Prayer.....Rev. Kenny Ransaw  
 Song.....Choir

### **REFLECTIONS**

Mrs. Hattie Parker  
 Rev. Sammy Varner  
 Ms. Dorothy Cook

### **WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT**

Pastor Develkio A. Wilson

Acknowledgements.....Barbara Jackson  
 Obituary.....Read Silently  
 Song.....Choir  
 Eulogy.....Pastor Eddie Hunter  
 Solo....."Let It Be Real" .....Pastor Eddie Hunter  
 Recessional

### **REPAST**

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