# The Lord Watches Over You

"I look up to the mountains.

My help comes from the Lord,

who made heaven and earth.

He will not let you stumble;

the one who watches over you will not slumber.

Indeed, he who watches over

Israel never slumbers or sleeps.

The Lord himself watches over you.

The Lord stands beside you as your protective shade.

The sun will not harm you by day,

nor the moon at night.

The Lord keeps you from all harm

and watches over your life.

The Lord keeps watch over you

as you come and go, both now and forever."

Psalm 121:1-8 (New Living Translation)

#### Pallbearers

Deacons
Chapel Hill Baptist Church

## Interment

Riverside Cemetery Cotton Avenue

Albany, Georgia

The Committal
Closing Prayer
Benediction

# Acknowledgement

I sincerely thank everyone for their love, prayers, support, and understanding. Your compassion is greatly appreciated. But there is comfort in knowing Mama is with our Savior and has reunited with Daddy, her parents, her siblings, and her friends. One day, I will see her and my Daddy again.

Roderick Perry Gilbert

# Special Acknowledgements

I like to express my deepest appreciations to the following: Tangela Baisden & Meadows Funeral Home Staff, Reverend Jack Johnson and the Chapel Hill Church Family, and Arica Barefields.

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## Celebration of Life



# Isabella "Honey" Gilbert

Sunrise May 2, 1937

Sunset August 15, 2024

Saturday, August 31, 2024 11:00 AM

#### CHAPEL HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

720 Pretoria Road Newton, Georgia 39870

Reverend Jack Johnson, Officiating

# "Well Done, My Faithful Servant"

Isabella White Gilbert was born on May 2, 1937, the last child to Litton White, Sr., and Mary Jane (Barnes) White in Newton, Georgia. She was known as "Honey" or "Aunt Honey" to family and friends. She graduated from East Baker High School where she played basketball.

Her siblings were David White, Litton White, Jr., Ruby McComb, and Annie Mae Bailey. She loved her brothers but had a special bond with her sisters. They talked on the phone regularly, wrote letters to each other, and sent greeting cards on birthdays and holidays.

Isabella's faith was a cornerstone of her life. She was baptized at Chapel Hill Baptist Church in 1949 at the age of 12 and remained a devoted member for 75 years. Her daily Bible readings and unwavering commitment to tithing were a testament to her faith. Her nightly conversations with her Savior, on her hands and knees, reflected her deep spiritual connection. She embodied the teachings of Christ by selflessly supporting her church, family, and friends.

She married Perry Lee Gilbert in Mitchell County on August 12, 1963. Their marriage lasted for 57 years until his death. They gave birth to their only son, Roderick Perry Gilbert, whom she loved and was proud of. She departed her life on Thursday, August 15, 2024, at her home.

She worked various jobs but was primarily a homemaker. She was the caretaker of her late mother. When her son was younger, she would help him with his schoolwork, taking him to school, band practices, doctor appointments, and the YMCA. She was known for making tasteful cakes and pies which were in high demand by family and friends. She loved planting roses and flowers and caring for her German Shepherds.

She was preceded in death by her parents; all of her siblings; sisters-in-law, Annie Ruth Isom, Annie Watkins, Essie Mae Gilbert, and Irene Gilbert; and brothers-in-law, Joe Gilbert, Jr., Eddie Roy Gilbert, and Nathaniel Mitchel.

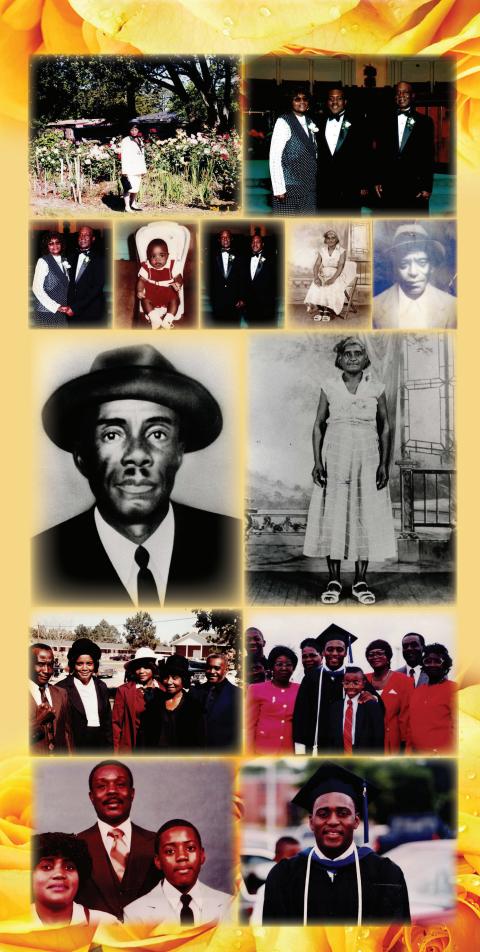
She leaves cherished memories with her son, Roderick Gilbert; and sisters-inlaw, Flossie Mickens and Maggie Whitus.

Jackie Reese, Yvonne Reese, Alma Blakely, and Mildred Faison were her first cousins. They loved her so much. They assisted her son during her declining health by preparing meals, braiding her hair, and sitting with her.

She also leaves a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Special acknowledgements goes to Reverend Anthony Holt and Sister Marie Barrett. Reverend Holt carried her to doctor appointments and sat with her during hospital stays. He performed her last rites before her passing. Sister Marie Barrett carried her tithe to church and cooked some food.

# **Precious Memories**



# Order of Service

**Processional** 

Devotional

Hymn

Scripture Readings

Old Testament

New Testament

Reflections

**Musical Selection** 

Words of Encouragement

**Musical Selection** 

Eulogy

Recessional

**Closing Prayer** 

Benediction