

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Michael Holley
Kelsey Adams
Reginald Adams
Frederick Mays

Quentin Adams
Kentrell Watts
Wesley Smith
Timothy Brandon Brayboy

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Ernest Adams
Albert Adams

Robert Adams
Clifford Adams

Isaac "Wallace" Adams

FLOWER ATTENDANTS

Nieces

INTERMENT

Jerusalem Grove Baptist Church Cemetery
211 Rhodes Street
Smithville, Georgia 31787

OUR SINCERE THANKS

Thank you for your calls, your presence, and your prayers. There was nothing done that was not appreciated. We pray that God will restore your home with blessings that overflow for all your kind gestures and acts of love.

Thank you for everything.

The Family

REPAST

Smithville Men's Club
Smithville, Georgia 31787

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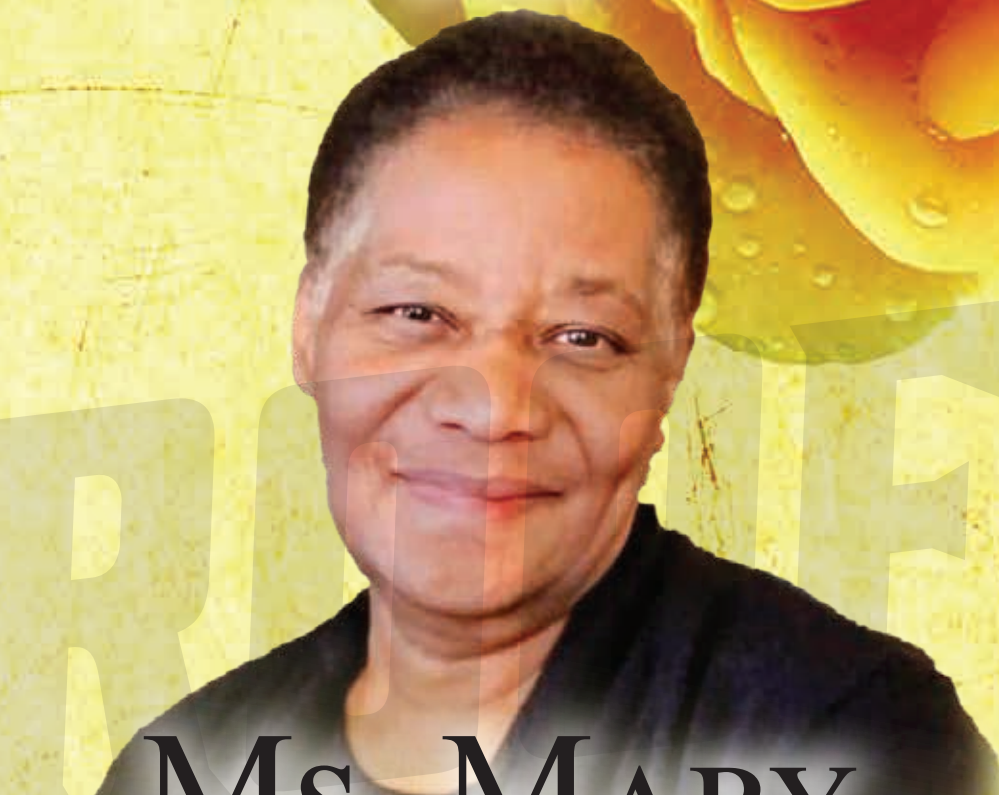
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THE CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR



Ms. MARY
ALICE ADAMS
"SISTER"

SUNRISE
December 8, 1948

SUNSET
September 10, 2025

Saturday, September 20, 2025
11:00 AM

UNION TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH
900 Adderton Street
Americus, Georgia 31719
Pastor Larry B. Sims, Sr.

*Pastor Ronrica J. Gordon, Eulogist
Oldfield Baptist Church, Perry, GA*

OBITUARY

Mary Alice Adams, affectionately known as “Sister,” was born on December 8, 1948, in Smithville, Georgia, to the late Willie Adams, Sr. and Alice Johnson Adams. She was the sixth child and the first daughter among their 16 children—ten boys and six girls.

Mary Alice began her education at the Smithville Rosenwald School and graduated from Lee County Training School in Leesburg, Georgia, with the Class of 1966.

Throughout her life, Mary Alice worked in various roles, with her longest tenure at Davidson Exterior Trim in Americus, Georgia, where she proudly served as a painter for more than 20 years. In 1995, she moved to Atlanta, where she worked for TSA and later at Northside Hospital Center. Her journey also took her to Fenton, Missouri, and Silver Spring, Maryland, before she returned home to Georgia in 2018.

A true “daddy’s girl,” Mary Alice was adored by her five older brothers, who were her earliest protectors. She grew up cherished and celebrated as the new baby girl addition to the Adams family. She loved to get in the car and just go. She was known for her spontaneous road trips—Many of her daughter’s friends often had to call their parents to let them know they were with Ms. Mary, and they would be back late because of her spontaneous road trips to Atlanta, Florida, Alabama or South Carolina. Her home was open to all, especially the neighborhood kids, who came by daily to hang out, listen to music, watch movies or their favorite tv shows and grab something to eat.

As a mother, Mary Alice was both her children’s fiercest advocate and their toughest critic. She pushed them to be stronger, smarter, and more independent than they thought possible. She could solve any problem with a listening ear when you needed wisdom, not sympathy and her signature no-nonsense advice. While her demeanor could be stern, her love was unwavering. Her legacy is not just the family she built, but the strength, resilience and determination she instilled in each of her children.

Mary Alice was fearlessly feisty—never afraid to speak her mind or stand for what she believed was right. She lived life on her own terms, always with courage, independence, and deep devotion to her family. There was nothing she would not do for them as long as it was within her means and if it wasn’t she would help you figure it out

She was preceded in death by four brothers—Willie Adams, Jr., Glenn Mark Adams, Edward Adams, and Eugene Adams—and her sister Debra Ann Adams.

She leaves to cherish her memory four children; three sons, Clifford Adams of Lawrenceville, GA; Donald Adams of Fenton, MO; Adrian Adams of Smithville, GA; and one daughter Natasha Thompson (Vaughn) of Silver Spring, MD. She also leaves her godson, Rodney Mitchell, and her devoted best friend, Velma (Douglas) Mitchell, both of Albany, GA.

Her surviving siblings include six brothers: Ernest (Mary Josey) Adams of Garner, NC; Robert (Linda) Adams of Smithville, GA; James Adams of Boston, MA; Albert Adams of Smithville, GA; Clifford (Cathy) Adams of Burlington, VT; and Isaac “Wallace” (Pam) Adams of Stone Mountain, GA. She is also survived by four sisters: Naomi Adams, Margaret Adams, and Lillian Adams, all of Smithville, GA, and Annie (Marvin) Hughes of Forney, TX. She was blessed with thirteen grandchildren, twelve great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and a community of friends that were fortunate to call her family.

Her life was defined by love, resilience, and generosity. She will be remembered as a woman who gave of herself freely, lived boldly, and left an indelible mark on all who knew her.

ORDER OF CELEBRATION

Processional.....Led by Ministers

Parting Glance.....Family & Friends

Closing of Casket..... The Children

HymnDea. Frank Mays Sr. & Sons

Prayer..... Dea. Charlie Barner

Solo Rhonda Brown & Jeanette Jackson

Scriptures
Old Testament.....Rev. Calvin Rollins
New Testament.....Minister

PoemJulie Adams, Granddaughter

Reflections Keysha S. Watts, Niece
Ernest Adams, Brother

Solo Rhonda Brown & Jeanette Jackson

EulogyPastor Ronrica J. Gordon

Solo Jeanette Jackson

Recessional.....Led by Ministers

