

Flower Bearers
Mother's Board and Women of Worth
Friendship MBC: A City of Grace

Pall Bearers
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Acknowledgments
We are beyond grateful for every act of love and kindness shown during the passing of our beloved,
Momma Val Craig- McMurry. Always remember that no matter what it looks like God is still GOOD.
~ The Family ~

Interment
Monday, March 18, 2024 | 11:00 AM
Middle TN Veterans Cemetery



Vevlon Craig-McMurry

Proverbs 3:5-6
KING JAMES VERSION

*Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.
In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.*

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A CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR



Vevlon Craig-McMurry

SUNRISE: DECEMBER 6. 1955
SUNSET: FEBRUARY 26. 2024

HOME GOING CELEBRATION

Saturday March 16, 2024
Family Visitation: 12:00 PM ~ 1:00 PM
Funeral Service to Follow

Mt Zion Baptist Church
7594 Old Hickory Blvd
Whites Creek, TN 37189



LOVING TRIBUTE TO THE LIFE OF

Vevlon Craig-McMurry

A useful life, full of faithfulness, entered peacefully into rest on February 26, 2024.

Vevlon Craig-McMurry was born December 6, 1955 to the late Jennie and Hurley Craig Jr. in Nashville, TN. She attended and graduated from Pearl High in 1974. At a very young age she joined and was baptized at Salem A.M.E. Church in Nashville, Tn. under the pastoral leadership of Reverend Wardell.

On October 18, 1992, she married the late James Roy McMurry Jr. She was a truly devoted wife. For where you saw one, the other was not too far behind. She never met a stranger, and would feed the world, if she had to. She touched and played a big part in each grandchild's life. To her grandchildren she was Momma Val, Granny Val, and Mee-maw. She was an incredibly special lady not only to her family but to everyone she met.

She later united with Mt. Zion Baptist Church for 25+ years under the leadership of Bishop Joseph Warren Walker III. Most recently she united with Friendship Missionary Baptist Church: A City of Grace under the leadership of Pastor Frank D. Stevenson. She has faithfully served in the music ministry, Women of Worth and senior bible study.

Momma Val loved all types of music, but gospel was her favorite. She served in many choirs; including the Sunday School Publishing Board, DeWitt Johnson and Friends, Gospel Music Workshop of America (Nashville Chapter), Cedric Poellnitz-Vision to Victory, and Jeffery Willford and Volunteer State. Her passing from us was a great loss and deep bereavement to members of her family, church, community, and friends. We are comforted by the profound knowledge that she had hope in Christ and that she absolutely loved her church. We know that she is now truly happy because she is with the Lord, her husband, and her parents.

Momma Val memory is cherished by her devoted children, Daughters; Renee', Tracy (John), and Lashonda Craig (Katrina), Bishop Belita McMurry (Edward) Fite, Stephanie Grooms; Son, Antonio McMurry; Grandchildren, Romel McMurry, Ebone Haymer, Melode McMahon, Aniya Craig, Jonaye McMahon, Jaden McMahon, MeYsin Craig, Johnathan McMahon, and Adriana Dillard; and Great Grandchildren; Sister, JoAnn Million; Brothers, Lawrence and Lonnie (Angela) Choate; Nephew, Johnnie Million; Nieces, Danielle and Tammie Choate; Aunt, Betty Smith, and a host of other relatives and devoted friends.



Farwell, Dear Mother

Somewhere in my heart beneath all my grief and pain,

Is a smile I still wear at the sound of your dear name.

The precious word is 'MOTHER', she was my

world you see, But now my heart is

breaking cause she's no longer here with me.

God chose her for His angel to watch me from above,

To guide me and advise me and know that I'm still

loved. The day she had to leave me when her life on

earth was through, God had better plans for her, for

this, I surely knew. When I think of her kind heart and

all those loving years, My memories surround me

and I can't hold back the tears. She truly was

my best friend, someone I could confide in,

She always had a tender touch and a warm

and gentle grin. I want to thank you Mother for

teaching me so well, And though the time has come that

I must bid you this farewell. I'll remember all you've

taught me and make you proud you'll see.

Thank you my Dear Mother for all the love you showed

me. Although you've left this earth and now you've

taken flight, I know that you are here with me each

morning, noon and night.



Order of Service

Bishop Joseph W. Walker, III, Officiant

Processional

Prayer.....Dr. Sherrell Batey
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Scripture Readings
Old Testament.....Bishop Belita McMurry-Fite
Heaven's View Baptist Church

New Testament.....Pastor Ronnie Parham
Edmondson Chapel Church

Opening Hymn.....Hold to God's Unchanging Hand

Obituary (Please Read Silently)

Celebration of Life Choir.....Total Praise

Acknowledgement/Resolutions
Family Tribute, and Presentation.....Councilwoman, Joy Styles district 32

Celebration of Life Choir.....All in His Hands

Words of Comfort/Reflections ~ (2 mins.).....Pastor Frank Stevenson
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Bishop Joseph Warren Walker III
Mt. Zion Baptist Church

Pastor Boyce Wilkins
St. Philip A.M.E. Church

Pastor Marlo Marthel
Gethsemane MBC

Rev. Levan Strickland
The A.M.E. Church

Apostle San Franklin
The Love Center South

Pastor Breonus Mitchell
Mt. Gilead MBC

Celebration of Life Choir.....Oh How Precious

Eulogy.....Pastor Darrell Drumwright
The Temple Church

Closing Prayer and Benediction.....Pastor Frank Stevenson
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Recessional.....GOD Specializes (Volunteer State Mass Choir)