



# Obituary

*"For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die we are the Lord's." Romans 14:8*

**On the morning of July 25, 2024, God's Angel came and claimed Deacon John McGowan at his residence, in Foxworth, MS. They took him by the hand and released him from all his pain and suffering. Deacon McGowan was born January 3, 1943, to the late Woodrow and Ida Mae McGowan of Foxworth, MS.**

**Deacon McGowan was a faithful member of the Springhill M. B. Church of Sandy Hook, MS; until his health started to fail him. He was a builder by trade and loved doing this work, he could build anything he set his mind to do.**

**He was preceded in death by; one child: Shawanda Gardner; his parents: Woodrow and Ida McGowan; brother: Willie Ray McGowan; and two sisters: Eunice Lee Jefferson and Alma Bines.**

**He leaves to cherish his loving memories; his loving wife of 49 years: Mrs. Rebecker McGowan; two sons: John Anthony McGowan (Chuncey) of Brandon, MS; and Gary Wayne McGowan (Ruby) of Kokomo, MS; two daughters: Karen McGowan of Sandy Hook, MS; and Shanell Ward of Foxworth, MS; a grandson whom he raised as his own; Rashod Johnson of Foxworth, MS; four brothers: Herman McGowan, Eural McGowan, Woodrow McGowan (Bobbie) all of Foxworth, MS and Joseph McGowan of Dulac, LA; three sisters: Frances McFarland (Ike) of Los Angeles, CA; Pearlie Alford (Frazier) of Foxworth, MS; and Brenda Smith (Eddie) of Columbia, MS; fourteen grandchildren; two great grandchildren, that he loved so much. He also leaves his gracious memories with his nieces, nephews, cousins, loved ones, acquaintances and friends.**