



A CELEBRATION OF LIFE AND LOVE FOR

- *Pallbearers* -
Family and Friends

- *Flower Bearers* -
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- *Interment* -
Bethel #2 Church Cemetery

- *Acknowledgment* -

The family of the late Mrs. Margaret (Maude) F. Johnson expresses heartfelt gratitude for the kindness shown through prayers, cards, phone calls, text messages, flowers and comforting words during this challenging time of loss. A special acknowledgment to the Bethany House staff members.

- *Repast* -

Bethel #2 Church Fellowship Hall

IN MEMORIAM

May we take this opportunity to express sincere and deep appreciation for allowing us to serve you during this most difficult period. It is our constant aim to afford to the people of this community a service completed in all details and faultlessly executed with sympathy and understanding.

Final Arrangements Entrusted to:



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Margaret
"MAUDE" FORTE JOHNSON

SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2024 • 11:00 A.M.

BETHEL #2 MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
1785 Lee Road 29 • Opelika, Alabama 36804

REVEREND MICHAEL HEARD, OFFICIATING

- *The Obituary* -

"The clock for time is wound once and no person has the power to tell you when the hands will stop nor the day nor the hour."

Mrs. Margaret Forte Johnson, daughter of the late Mr. Albert Fillmore and Ms. Razenka Threat, was born July 29, 1940, in Macon County, Alabama.

At an early age, she confessed Christ and united with Bethel #2 Missionary Baptist Church in Opelika, Alabama.

"Maude" as she was affectionately known by family and friends, attended Macon County Schools. For over thirty years, she was employed in the textile industry, and spent another five years employed as a daycare employee.

On Thursday, March 28, 2024, at 6:15 a.m., she turned her face toward the sunset and departed this life at the Bethany House in Auburn, Alabama. She was preceded in death by: her husband, J.T. Johnson, Jr.

She leaves her legacy to be cherished by: six children, Dorothy Johnson, Dennis Johnson both of Akron, OH, Deverett Johnson, Sr. of Columbus, OH, Denise Johnson (Senta) Fitzpatrick of Tuskegee, AL, Pamela (Gary) Hughley of Salem, AL and Brenda Johnson of Opelika, AL; twelve grandchildren, Darren Johnson, Kishina Johnson, La-Kenya Johnson, Kentavious Robinson all of Opelika, AL, Travell (Donna) Fitzpatrick of McDonough, GA, Candice Baker of Huntsville, AL, Corteze Macon, Curwin Macon, Marcus Fitzpatrick all of Akron, OH, Dennisha Banks of Stone Mountain, GA, Deverett Johnson, Jr. of Columbus, OH and Kii-Wanda Johnson of Reading, PA; one nephew, Reverend Andrew Peoples; three godchildren, Bishop Tony(Demetra) Peoples, of Montgomery, AL, Tanulyn Peoples-McKinley of Auburn, AL and Angela (Rickey) Peoples-James of Jacksonville, FL; three brothers-in-law, William (Mary) Johnson, Robert Johnson both of Columbus, GA and Larry (Theresa) Tolbert of Hephzibah, GA; one sister-in-law, Alice Tolbert of Columbus, GA; a special close friend and companion, Ezekiel Brown of Opelika, AL; special relatives, Sylvester Dumas of Opelika, AL and Willie George Dumas, Jr. of Columbus, GA; special dear and close friends, Myrtis Morris of Tuskegee, AL, Johnnie Mae Cannon of Auburn, AL, Lillie B. Bailey and Vivian (Zack) Henderson both of Opelika, AL; a host of great grandchildren, great great grandchildren, nieces, cousins, other relatives and friends.



- *When I Think...* -

*When I think strength, I think of you,
And all the hardships you went through.
You losing both your mothers before you were grown,
Plus losing your husband and losing your home.
A weak person would have broken indeed,
But you didn't stop, knowing you had kids to feed.*

*When I think of honesty I think of you,
You better not ask Maude if you don't want to hear the truth.
She gonna give you her answer kind and warm,
But before she hurts your feelings, she will say I don't mean no harm.*

*When I think of endurance I think of you,
Though you were in pain you always pulled through.
From arthritis to heart failure no matter the ill,
Able to keep your heart spotless and work a double at the mill.*

*When I think of love I think of you,
You would always tell me how much when I called you.
You would say Jesus loves you and I love you,
I think all of us grandkids have stayed under your roof.
Now your time here is over you have done all you can do,
I will make sure I keep happy thoughts when I think of you.*

By: Travell Fitzpatrick (grandson)

- *The Order of Service* -

Processional Clergy and Family

Scripture Readings:
Old Testament.....Bishop Calvin L. Daniel
New Testament Reverend Andrew Peoples

Prayer of Comfort Bishop Tony Peoples

Musical Selection.....Reverend Chester Levett

Expressions of LoveTwo Minutes Each (Please)
Johnnie Mae Cannon
Sylvester Dumas
Reverend Andrew Peoples

Poem and AcknowledgementValarie D. Jackson

Musical Selection.....Reverend Chester Levett

Eulogy.....Reverend Michael Heard

Recessional