



- *Pallbearers* -
Family and Friends

- *Flower Attendants* -
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- *Interment* -
Pine Level Cemetery
4650 Arrow Head Road
Loachapoka, Alabama 36865

- *Acknowledgment* -

The family of the late Ms. Marie Jackson acknowledges with grateful appreciation all acts of kindness, prayers, cards, telephone calls, flowers and words of comfort extended to us during our time of bereavement. May God bless each one of you.

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.

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CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR
Marie Jackson
"RETO"

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2024
12:00 O'CLOCK NOON

HARRIS FUNERAL HOME CHAPEL
515 South 6th Street • Opelika, Alabama 36801

PASTOR ANTHONY SHEALEY, EULOGIST

- *The Order of Service* -

Musical Prelude I Shall Wear a Crown
Processional Clergy and Family
Scripture Readings Elder Michael Marshall
Prayer of Comfort Elder Michael Marshall
Musical Selection Senesta Ezell
Expressions of Love Two Minutes Each (Please)
Musical Selection Senesta Ezell
Eulogy Pastor Anthony Shealey
Recessional
Musical Postlude I Pray We All Be Ready

- *To Our Loved One In Heaven* -

Our time together was special, so were the memories we made.
And although you live in heaven now, those memories never fade.
We bow our heads in silence and remember you with love.
And we know that you are up there, watching from above.

Every day is a struggle, and nothing feels the same.
And our hearts break a little more, every time we hear your name.
You'll always be remembered, and time may heal our hearts.
But a piece of us is missing, since the day we had to part.

If Heaven is for angels, then we know that's where you'll be,
And we know you will be waiting, when we too are set Free!

Your Loving Family



- *The Obituary* -

Marie "Reto" Jackson, a cherished soul and beloved pillar of her community, was born on December 14, 1962, in Lee County, Alabama, to Mr. Eugene McCants and the late Mrs. Louella Morris McCants. With profound sadness yet with hearts filled with loving memories, we announce that Reto departed from this life on November 21, 2024, at the age of 61, surrounded by love at the Bethany House in Auburn, Alabama.

A lifelong resident of Loachapoka, Alabama, Reto was a beacon of joy and kindness. She was a devoted member of Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church, where she united with Christ at an early age and found great solace in her faith throughout her life. Reto's educational journey culminated with her graduation from Loachapoka High School in the Class of 1981, where she formed lasting friendships and left a legacy of determination and grace.

Reto's love for her family was immeasurable. She is survived by her two loving children, Cornicka Jackson and Xavier Jackson, along with his wife, Teondriya—all of Loachapoka. Reto's father, Eugene McCants, will carry her memory in his heart, as will her three grandchildren, Zaelyn, Zaydon, and Xaleigh Jackson, who brought boundless joy to her life. Her close-knit family also includes her sister, Rena Marshall, and her husband, Elder Michael Marshall, her brother, Billy Jackson, and her uncle, John Lee Morris, who all shared in the journey of her life.

Reto was a woman of many passions, and her love for the natural world was evident to all who knew her. She found peace and contentment in the outdoors, whether she was simply basking in the beauty of a sunny day or watching the serene movements

of nature. Her fondness for storytelling was indulged through her favorite television show, "Law and Order," and her beloved soap operas, which were a source of relaxation and entertainment in her quiet moments.

Her sister, Deloise Jackson, preceded her in death, leaving a space that Reto filled with memories and love. Reto's legacy of warmth and compassion is also celebrated by her sister Rena, brother Billy, and a host of nieces and nephews: Tisherra, Monique, Sandrieka, Shericka, Altavian, and Bryce, who will each treasure the special moments they shared with her.

Reto's extended family, including her cousin, Melvin Morris, and his wife, Isabeth, of Tallassee, Alabama, whom she regarded as a brother, will hold her memory dear. A grand pup, Maxx Jackson, will miss her gentle touch and the comfort of her presence.

The life Reto lived was marked by an unwavering commitment to her loved ones and the community that she held close to her heart. Her kind spirit and infectious laughter will be deeply missed by a host of other relatives and friends who were blessed to know her.

Reto's life was a testament to the power of love, faith, and family. Her story is not just one of the dates that mark the beginning and end of her time on earth but one filled with moments of joy, lessons of resilience, and acts of kindness that will continue to resonate with all who had the privilege of knowing her. As we bid farewell to Marie "Reto" Jackson, we celebrate a life beautifully lived and a spirit that will forever be remembered.