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Interment

Evergreen Cemetery 1409 Monroe Avenue Opelika, Alabama 36801

- Acknowledgment -

The family of the late Ms. Loretta Jean "Lo" McCullough Allen 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.



Final Arrangements Entrusted to:

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SUNRISE: MAY 9, 1971

SUNSET: FEBRUARY 7, 2025

SERVICE: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2025 • 11:00 A.M.

> Harris Funeral Home Chapel 515 South 6th Street Opelika, Alabama 36801

REVEREND KENNETH COLEMAN OFFICIATING

- The Obituary -

Loretta Jean McCullough Allen, affectionately known as "Lo" to her friends and family, passed away at the East Alabama Medical Center in Opelika, Alabama, on February 7, 2025. Born in Lee County, Alabama, on May 9, 1971, to the late Mr. Robert Hughley and Mrs. Jeraline McCullough Bracey.

Lo was a proud graduate of Opelika High School Class of 1990 and carried the lessons and friendships from her school years throughout her life. Her commitment to her faith was evident early on as she confessed Christ and became an integral part of the Bethel #1 Missionary Baptist Church community in Opelika, Alabama. Her melodious voice graced the church choir, and her presence was a source of comfort and inspiration to fellow congregants.

Lo's passions were as vibrant as her personality. She had an innate talent for drawing, often capturing the beauty of the world around her on paper. Singing was another of Lo's gifts, and she found solace and joy in listening to gospel music. Her love for the Lord was unwavering, and she expressed her spirituality through her music and her daily actions. Lo was also known for her love of dancing, a testament to her spirited nature and her ability to find happiness in life's simple pleasures.

Work was more than just a means to an end for Lo; it was an extension of her dedication to her community and her family. Her work ethic was unmatched, as she was employed with Opelika City Schools for 19 years. She approached every task with the same zeal and commitment that she did everything else in her life.

Above all, Lo cherished her family. They were the cornerstone of her life, and she poured her love into every interaction, every shared moment, and every memory created. Her family's well-being was her utmost priority, and she was a source of strength and guidance for them.

She leaves to cherish her precious memory: two children, Kimberly Denise Allen and Timothy Lamar Allen, Jr. both of Opelika, AL; nine brothers, Howard Bracey, Ir, Howard Bracey III, Timothy Bracey, Nazareth Bracey, Nathaniel Bracey, Emmanuel Bracey, James Bracey, Timmy Bracey and Jimmy Bracey all of Atlanta, GA; seven sisters, Linda Bracey, Shebaline Bracey, Wanda (Gary) Kilgore all of Atlanta, GA; Regina (Thomas) Preston, Katherine Hughley, Michelle Hughley all of Opelika, AL and Fannie (Kurvin) Streeter of Montgomery, AL; aunt as a mother, Brenda Winfield of Opelika, AL; four aunts, Janie (James) Allen, Betty (Bobby) Stephens, Gale (Mac) Poole all of Opelika, AL and Sherry (Paul) Anderson of Fort Lauderdale, FL; one uncle, Ricky McCullough of Copperas Cove, TX; two great aunts, Frances Ingram and Doris Cooper both of Opelika, AL; two special cousins, April McCullough and Cynthia Thornton both of Opelika, AL; a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, other relatives and friends.

The Order of Service

Processional.....Clergy and Family Scripture Readings **Prayer of Comfort Musical Selection Obituary Read Silently** Eulogy......Reverend Kenneth Coleman

## Recessional



- A Mother's Crown In Glory

Through tear-stained eyes, we say goodbye, Yet know in faith, you reign on high. A mother's love, so pure, so bright, Now rests in Heaven's endless light. No more sorrow, no more pain, She walks where angels sing her name. Her hands that toiled, her heart so wide, Now rests in peace at Jesus' side. O Lord, we trust Your perfect way, Though grief may darken our today. For in Your promise, bright and true, We'll meet again, made whole in You.

So let us weep, but not despair, She dwells where joy and love repair. A mother's crown, with jewels adorned, Now shines in Heaven's golden morn.