# Order of Service

**PROCESSIONAL Clergy and Family** 

**SCRIPTURE READING** Old and New Testament

PRAYER OF COMFORT

**MUSICAL SELECTION** 

**OBITUARY Read Silently** 

**REFLECTIONS** Two Minutes Each, Please

**MUSICAL SELECTION** 

**EULOGY** Presiding Elder James Q. Smith

**RECESSIONAL** 



**Family and Friends** 

nterment **Church Cemetery** 

### Acknowledgment

The family of the late Ms. Mildred Howard 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.

Much heartfelt thanks and gratitude to Rev. Pegues, Reid Memorial CME Church, Greensboro. The out pouring of warmth affection and spiritual support will always be remembered.

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



### CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR



THURSDAY, MAY 22, 2025 3:00 P.M.

Mt. Moriah Missionary Baptist Church 2255 Wrights Mill Road Auburn, Alabama 36830

> REVEREND BERNARD ANDERSON, PASTOR Presiding Elder James Q. Smith, Eulogist

# The Obituary

Ms. Mildred Howard, a cherished soul known for her unwavering faith and dedication to her community, passed away peacefully on Friday, May 16, 2025, in Guilford County, North Carolina. Born on April 26, 1946, in Lee County, Alabama, to the late Mr. Jim and Mrs. Alberta Zellers Smith, Mildred's life was a testament to her strength, compassion, and the love she shared with those around her.

Mildred's early life was marked by her commitment to her faith. She confessed Christ at a young age and became an integral part of Bell Missionary Baptist Church in Auburn, Alabama. Her spiritual journey continued when she moved to Syracuse, New York, there, she united with Hopps Memorial C.M.E. Church, where she served various ministries for 50 years, touching the lives of many with her kindness and grace.

A lifelong learner, Mildred attended Onondaga Community College, where she gained the skills that would serve her throughout her professional life. She dedicated over thirty-four years as a Data Entry Clerk with Blue Cross and Blue Shield, where her diligence and work ethic were recognized by all. Her colleagues remember her as a reliable and friendly presence, always ready to lend a helping hand or share a word of encouragement.

Mildred's interests were as varied as they were fulfilling. An avid reader, she found joy and solace in the pages of books, which were her constant companions. Her love for her church was evident in her active participation in choir singing melodious songs, serving others in the church kitchen, missionary, prison ministry and in the celebrate recovery ministry, serving others were a spiritual gift. Fitness was also a passion for Mildred; she loved exercising, walking, and working out, maintaining a healthy and vibrant lifestyle that inspired others to do the same.

Above all, Mildred cherished the time spent with family and friends. Her home was a haven of warmth and laughter, a place where all were welcome, and memories were made. Her infectious smile and generous spirit were the cornerstones of countless gatherings, and her absence will be deeply felt by those who knew and loved her.

Mildred's legacy is one of love, service, and faith. She lived her life with purpose and left an indelible mark on her community. As we bid farewell to Mildred Howard, we celebrate a life well-lived, a journey of faith well-traveled, and a heart that was always full of love. Her memory will continue to shine brightly in the hearts of those she touched, guiding them with the light of her example.

She was preceded in death by her ten siblings.

She leaves to cherish her memory: three children, Wilfred (Toni) Wagner of Syracuse, NY, Mae Khabir of Greensboro, NC and Jasen (Latasha) Wagner of Syracuse, NY; twelve grandchildren; fourteen great grandchildren; one greatgreat grandchild; god-daughter, Tammy (Michael) Littleton of Greensboro, NC; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other

































































































