

- Order of Service -

Processional Clergy and Family

Scripture Readings

Prayer of Comfort

Musical Selection Antioch Church Choir

Expressions of Love Two Minutes Each (Please)

Musical Selection Antioch Church Choir

Eulogy Reverend Jerry Dowdell

Recessional

When Tomorrow Starts Without Me
By: David M. Romano

When tomorrow starts without me,
Please try to understand
That an angel came and called my name
And took me by the hand.
The angel said my place was ready
In Heaven far above
And that I'd have to leave behind
All those I dearly love,
But when I walked through Heaven's Gates,
I felt so much at home,
For God looked down, smiled at me,
And told me, "Welcome home."
So, when tomorrow starts without me,
Don't think we're far apart,
For every time you think of me,
I'm right there in your heart.

- Pallbearers -
Family and Friends

- Flower Bearers -
Family and Friends

- Interment -
Evergreen Cemetery
1409 Monroe Avenue
Opelika, AL 36801

- Acknowledgment -

The family of the late Mrs. Barbara Dean Preston-Menifield 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 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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A CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR



Barbara Dean
PRESTON-MENIFIELD

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2026 | 11:00 A.M.

ANTIOCH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
605 W.E. Morton Avenue | Opelika, AL 36801

REVEREND JERRY DOWDELL, OFFICIATING

- Obituary -

Mrs. Barbara Dean Preston-Menifield, daughter of the late Mr. Thomas and Mrs. Ida Mae Shealey Preston, Sr., was born December 25, 1964, in Lee County, Alabama.

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

Barbara graduated from Opelika High School Class of 1983. She enjoyed dancing and traveling, and embraced both with enthusiasm and a sense of adventure. Barbara was also an avid Jacksonville Jaguars and Alabama football fan, "Roll Tide". She loved fishing and spending time at family gatherings, where she found comfort, laughter, and connection.

Barbara Dean Preston Menifield leaves behind a legacy of love, laughter, and treasured memories. May she be remembered always with affection and gratitude for the joy she brought into the world.

On Friday, August 28, 2026, she departed this life at the Bethany House in Auburn, Alabama.

She leaves to cherish her memory: a devoted husband, Curtis Menfield of Opelika, AL; five children, Michael (Jamiisha) Preston of Valley, AL, LaBrandon (Keisha) Preston, Shanteria Bynum both of Opelika, AL, Decosmon Shorter of Atlanta, GA and Curtis Menifield, Jr. of Corpus Christi, TX; five grandchildren, LaBrandon Preston, Jr., Taylor Byrd, Caur'Dae Wright, Taniya Byrd and Emmanuel Floyd; one great-grandchild, Cailen Preston; two brothers, Thomas Leon (Regina) Preston, Jr. of Cusseta, AL and Donald (Loretta) Preston of Opelika, AL; one aunt, Claudia James of Atlanta, GA; one uncle, David (Mary Jane) Shealey of Los Angeles, CA; one sister-in-law, Shirley Harper of Opelika, AL; two brothers-in-law, Michael (Pamela) Minnifield of Loachapoka, AL and Willie Menifield (Linda) of Opelika, AL; devoted friends, Rhonda Webb, Rodney Roberson and Michelle Roberson all of Opelika, AL; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

