

PALL BEARERS & FLOWER BEARERS

Family and Friends



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

With deep gratitude, we wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for your comforting expressions of sympathy during the passing of our loved one. God bless each of you.

The family of Mr. James A. McEntire

Donations in his honor can be made to:

New Bethel Independent Church
133 Oak St., Forest City, NC 28043



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"We Are The Voice of Comfort In Your Hour of Grief"

A HOME GOING CELEBRATION

Honoring the Life and Legacy of



JAMES AUGUSTA McENTIRE

APRIL 15TH 1942 - NOVEMBER 16TH 2025

SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 22ND AT 12 PM

NEW BETHEL AME ZION CHURCH
263 FOREST STREET
FOREST CITY, NORTH CAROLINA 28043

OBITUARY

James Augusta McEntire, born April 15th 1942, in Rutherfordton, NC passed away peacefully and was sent to his eternal home on November 16, 2025. He was the beloved son of Clyde and Burene McEntire.

James, affectionately known as “Gus”, was a shining light in the lives of all who had the privilege of knowing him. His journey on this earth was one marked by love, compassion, and unwavering faith in God. His passing has left a void in the hearts of his family, friends, and many more whose lives were touched by him. We ask that you remember him for the way he lived, and for the profound impact it had on the lives of those who had the pleasure of knowing him.

James demonstrated a strong work ethic throughout his life. He worked for over 30 years at Burlington Industries before starting a second career at Belk's in Forest City, NC, where he worked for 34 years. He was often referred to as the best-dressed man in Rutherford County, as he took great pride in his appearance and in helping others look and feel their best.

In his personal life, James was devoted to manicuring his yard and growing flowers and vegetables in his garden. He was also a lifetime devoted member, leader, and trustee of New Bethel Independent Church. James was a dedicated and active member of the Masons Unionville Lodge of Spindale, NC, for 47 years.

James is survived and missed by his loving wife of 57 years, Evelenia; and his children, Linda Valentine, Loretta M. Jones (Gregory), Paula D. McEntire, Kevin A. McEntire (Sarah), and Joel J. McEntire (Cathy). Forever cherished and remembered by his six grandchildren Tyler McEntire, Trey McEntire, Ravin Jones, Sophia McEntire, Kaden McEntire, and Cheleka Valentine as well as his eight great-grandchildren Kingston McEntire, Zyler McEntire, Harlem McEntire, Memphis McEntire, Nova Carter, Elijah Smith, Xayleke Valentine, and Jaycheon Valentine. He is also survived by a host of brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, and cousins.



ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional	Clergy & Family
Hymn.....	“Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior”
Scripture Readings	
Old Testament.....	Reverend Arrie Melvin
New Testament.....	Pastor Stencil Quarles
Prayer of Comfort.....	Reverend Simon McClain
Musical Selection.....	The Sisters in Christ
Reading of the Obituary	Anita Patterson
Remarks.....	2 minutes
Musical Selection.....	Mrs. Shirley Quarles

~ Eulogy ~

Pastor Wallace Gregory

Committal/Benediction

Recessional.....Ulysses D. Miller Funeral Services

INTERMENT

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