

Order of SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL.....SOFT MUSIC

SCRIPTURES

OLD TESTAMENT

NEW TESTAMENT

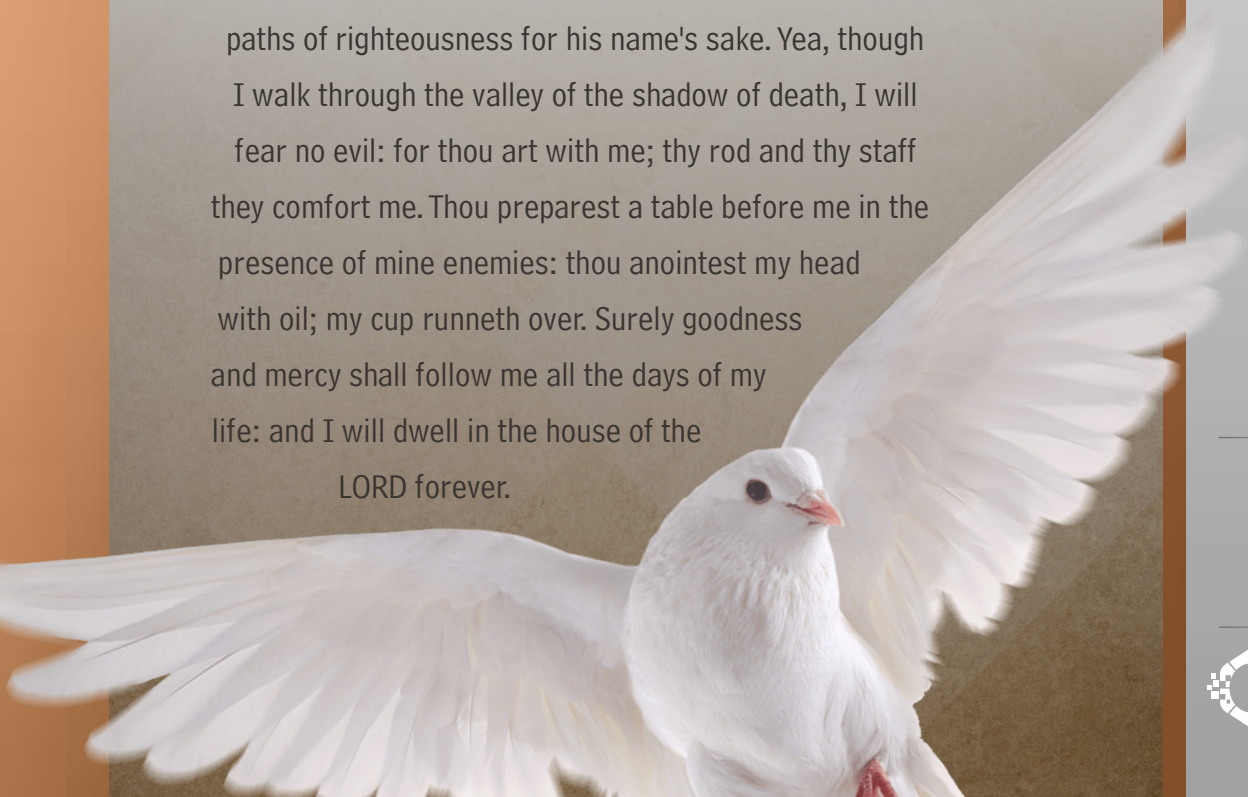
PRAYER.....

WORDS OF COMFORT PASTOR ARNATHER BAXTER

RECESSIONAL

23rd Psalm

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.



IN OUR HEARTS

Forever
FOREVER AND ALWAYS...



Acknowledgements

THE FAMILY OF THE LATE EDWARD ORLANDO MAYS, JR. WISHES TO THANK THE NUMEROUS FRIENDS THAT SHARED THEIR LOVE DURING THIS PERIOD OF TRANSITION. WE APPRECIATE THE COUNTLESS PRAYERS, WORDS OF COMFORT, AND ALL OTHER ACTS OF KINDNESS AND SYMPATHY.

MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS
AND KEEP EACH OF YOU.

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EDWARD ORLANDO MAYS

JANUARY 8, 1997  AUGUST 15, 2020



AUGUST 22, 2020 * 11:00 AM

MASON CEMETERY
UNION SPRINGS, AL

PASTOR ARNATHER BAXTER, OFFICIATING
GREENWOOD AND GREATER PLEASANT GROVE
MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCHES



"A Picture of You"

I only have a picture now, a frozen piece of time. To remind me of how it was, when you were here, and mine. I see your smiling eyes each morning when I wake. I talk to you and place a kiss upon your lovely face. How much I miss you being here....I really cannot say. The ache is deep inside my heart, and never goes away. I hear it mentioned often, that time will heal the pain; but if I'm being honest, I hope it will remain. The angels came and took you, that really wasn't fair. They took my one and only son, my future life, my heir. If only they had asked me, if I would take your place. I would have done so willingly, leaving you this world to grace. You should have had so many years to watch your life unfold. And in the midst of this, watch me, your Mom grow old! I hope you're watching from above at the daily tasks I do. And let there be no doubt at all, I really do love you.

From Mom

"I Miss You Too"

Mommy and Daddy, please don't be sad; I miss you so much too. It's beautiful here, but I worry a lot about you. I sleep with angels watching me....there is only love up here. I am never lonely or afraid because God is so very near. I walk with Jesus every day; He is very kind and loving. Don't worry Mom, he holds my hand when we cross a golden street. I never cry or hurt myself. I see Daddy Clyde very day. I play and laugh and sing a lot, and I hear you when you pray.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

EDWARD ORLANDO MAYS, JR.

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: II Timothy 4:7

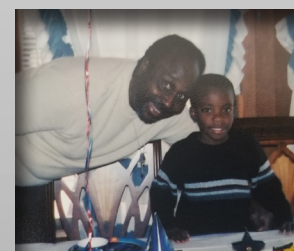
EDWARD ORLANDO MAYS, JR. affectionally known as "EJ" and "Bella" was born at Jackson Hospital in Montgomery, Alabama on January 8, 1997. He transitioned from this life on August 15, 2020 at Baptist Medical Center South, Montgomery, Alabama. He professed Christ at an early age when he joined the Mt. Canaan Baptist Church in Roba, Alabama. He enjoyed singing in the church choir and singing solos.

He is preceded in death by his grandfathers: Master Sgt. Willie Clyde Swanson, Rev. Willie Oscar Milbry, and August Hicks, Sr.

He leaves to cherish his memory his loving mother, Cornelia M. Johnson and a devoted father, Edward O. (Irene) Mays, both of Montgomery, AL; one sister, Cadeshe Mays, Montgomery, AL; grandmothers: Momma Ruby Swanson and Rosie Hicks, Union Springs, AL; one niece, Alana Mays and one nephew, Brayden Fair; uncles: Timothy Milbry, Powder Springs, GA, Andre (Lucinda) Porter, Prattville, AL, Willie (Cassandra) Milbry, Union Springs, AL, Willie Taylor, Manhattan, KS, Reginald (Dianne) Johnson, Union Springs, AL, Alford Crawford, Huntsville, AL, Morris Upshaw, Union Springs, AL; aunts: Ardenia Crawford and Vanessa Townsend, Union Springs, AL; a caring and loving Pastor, Rev. Arthur L. Jones, Union Springs, AL; and a host of cousins, great aunts and uncles, and friends.



Family Where Life begins
and Love never ends...



WE LOVE & WILL MISS YOU!