

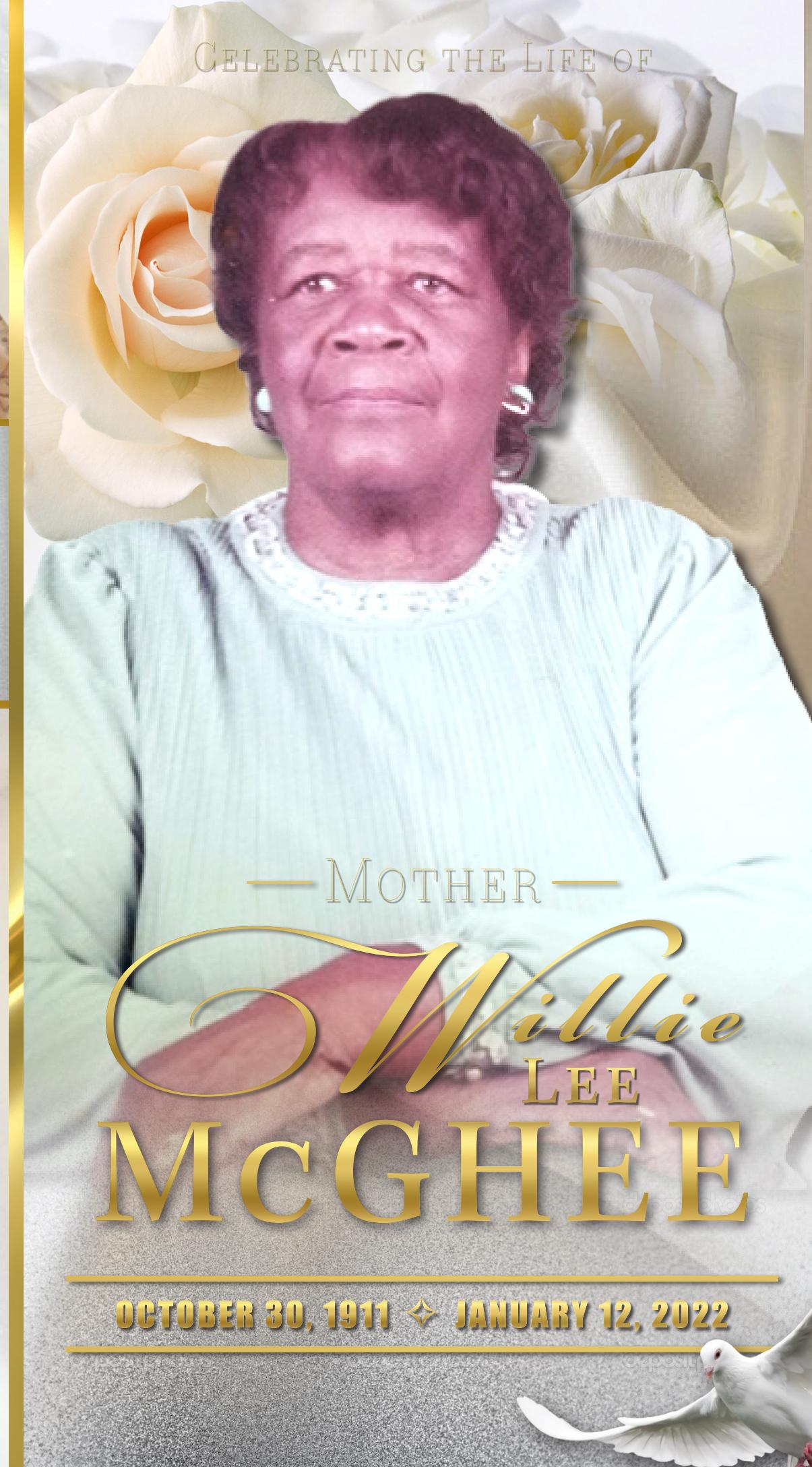
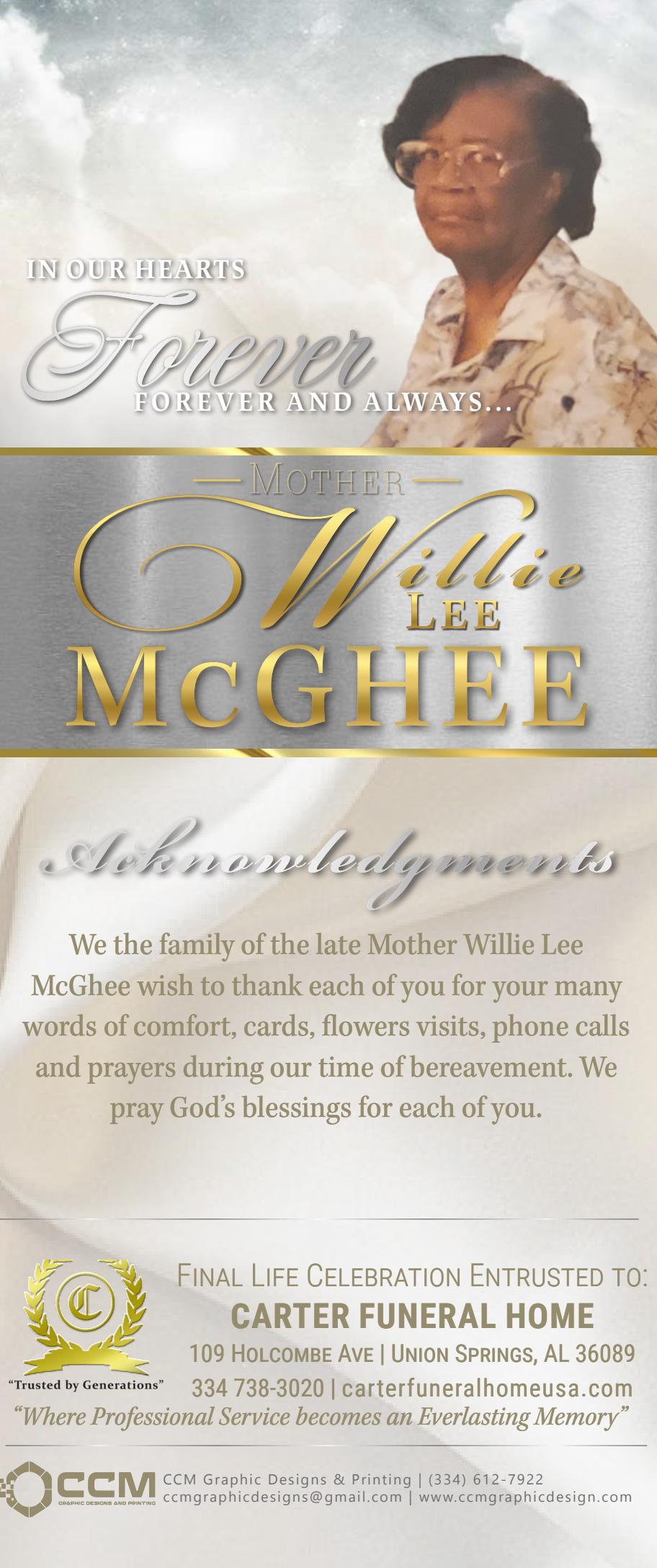
Order of SERVICE

SATURDAY
JANUARY 22, 2022 11:00 AM

ELIZABETH MISSIONARY
BAPTIST CEMETERY
312 Alabama 239
Union Springs, AL 36089

OFFICIATING
PASTOR HAWTHORNE REED

PRELUDE
PROCESSIONAL
MUSICAL SELECTION
READING OF THE HOLY SCRIPTURES:
OLD TESTAMENT REV. P. J. WALKER
NEW TESTAMENT REV. FRED DOUGLAS, SR.
PRAYER OF COMFORT REV. H. J. FOWLER
REFLECTIONS AND TRIBUTES OF LOVE TWO MINUTES EACH, PLEASE
MUSICAL SELECTION
ACKNOWLEDGMENTS CARTER FUNERAL HOME
MUSICAL SELECTION SIS. FAYE LAWSON
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Obituary

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

WILLIE LEE MCGHEE

Willie Lee McGhee came as a blessing from God to the late William Calhoun and Dora Kendrick on October 30, 1911.

She confessed Christ as her Savior and joined the Elizabeth Missionary Baptist Church where she served dutifully until her health began to decline.

She was united in marriage to the late Benjamin F. McGhee and from that union five beautiful children were born.

Mrs. McGhee was born and raised in Union Springs and attended Aberfoil School. With little education available during her tender years, Mrs. McGhee was able to garner a myriad of informal education and training that afforded her opportunities to help advance others. She worked tirelessly and fiercely teaching children and adults to read and write, providing healthcare services and advocating for social welfare.

As a founding member of the Civil Rights Movement in Bullock County, she encouraged people of color to vote during a tumultuous time in our history. Through it all Mrs. McGhee persevered like she was taught to do by her parents. She knew in her heart that God was with her and would make a way to do what he called her to do.

In addition to being a loving wife and mother while serving her community, Mrs. McGhee was a devoted member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored

People (NAACP) Order of the Eastern Star, Democratic National Committee and was recognized as the Mother of Elizabeth Missionary Baptist Church where she also served as a Deaconess and Usher.

Mrs. McGhee's hobbies were many, but cooking, sewing, gardening, fishing, and shopping were at the top of the list.

Because she never met a stranger, people learned of her spirit of hospitality, generosity, and wisdom.

On January 12, 2022, God gently whispered to our (Mother, grandmother, aunt, cousin, and friend) that her time on earth was done and he needed her to unite with her husband, Benjamin F. and three of their grandchildren, Berlin McGhee, Kenneth Jerome Jenkins and Karl Coleman in heaven.

As she accepted her heavenly wings, it was her devotion to family and a firm belief in God that gave her the peace to return to her heavenly home. Being ever faithful to his word, we can rest assured that she will hear the words, "Well done thy good and faithful servant", Mark 25:23.

Memories of her loving character will be forever cherished by her children, Benjamin McGhee, Jr. (Callie), Octavia Coleman (Louis deceased), Mattie Jenkins (Jim Wakefield), Addie L. McGhee and William Otis McGhee (Donna); her grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandchildren and a host of loving cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

IN MEMORIAM YOUR CHILDREN PAY YOU TRIBUTE

MOTHER

From your breast you fed me,
With all your heart you loved me,
With your arms you held me, protected me,
To you mother I give my love,
To you mother reverence;
Mother part of you lives on in me,
For you are the source of my being
You nurtured me;
Mother may my life be an extension of you
Your goodness and kindness,
Mother it is said, "you reap what you sow"
Mother may you be proud of me
May my life be a tribute to you
That is my prayer dearest mother

Your Loving Children,
Ben McGhee, Jr. Mattie M. Jenkins
Octavia Coleman Addie Lee McGhee
William Otis McGhee



IF ROSES GROW IN HEAVEN

If Roses grow in Heaven
Lord, please pick a bunch for me.
Place them in my Mother's arms
and tell her they're from me.

Tell her that I love her and miss her,
and when she turns to smile,
place a kiss upon her cheek
and hold her for a while.

Because remembering her is easy,
I do it every day,
but there's an ache within my heart
that will never go away.

Author: Unknown

Submitted in honor by your loving grands,

Grandchildren: Sandra Gresham, Berlin McGhee, Roseon McGhee, Kenneth Louis Coleman, Karl Reynard Coleman, Katharine Denise Clark, Kenneth Jerome Jenkins, Deborah Jenkins-Baez, Stefano Sean McGhee, Billie Denise McGhee

Great Grandchildren: Robert Sean Gresham, Brittany Gresham, Brandon Gresham, Kellen McGhee, Karl Evans, Thomas Caesar Clark III, Toor Coleman Clark, Stephanie Jenkins, Tiffany Jenkins, Ebony Hall, Angelina Ortiz, Jazzmun Baez, Tucker Delaney McGhee, Charlotte Lee Halle, Avery Edward Halle

Great great grandchildren: Milah Gresham, Kali Gresham, Bryson Gresham, Karlo Evans, Alaysia Jenkins-Graham, Rylan Thresher, Keziah DeCordova, Zion Amor Hall Vazquez

