

— Pallbearers —

Classmates and Friends

— Flower Bearers —

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— Acknowledgment —

The family of the late Milton “Mickey” Benford would like to express our sincere appreciation and gratitude to all family and friends for the calls, visits, flowers and other gestures of kindness shown during the passing of our dear loved one. May God bless you all.

— 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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IN LOVING MEMORY OF
Milton Benford



“Mickey”

SUNRISE: SEPTEMBER 2, 1956

SUNSET: JULY 2, 2020

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2020 • 11:00 A.M.

EVERGREEN CEMETERY
1409 Monroe Avenue
Opelika, AL 36801

MINISTER MICHAEL FERGUSON, OFFICIATING

— The Obituary —

Mr. Milton Benford, son of the late Mr. Charles and Mrs. Elizabeth Parham Benford, was born September 2, 1956 in Lee County, Alabama.

At an early age, he confessed Christ and united with Saint Paul United Methodist Church in Opelika, Alabama. “Mickey” as he was known by family and friends, graduated from Opelika High School Class of 1974. He enjoyed all types of construction work and landscaping, but his true passion was painting.

On Thursday, July 2, 2020, he departed this life at the Piedmont Midtown Columbus Regional Hospital in Columbus, Georgia. He was preceded in death by: three brothers, Robert Benford, Kim Benford and Charles Tolbert; two sisters, Brenda Duckworth and Elizabeth Ann Barnett.

He leaves to cherish his memory: three children, Lashica Brooks of Phenix City, AL, Jason Benford, Sr. (Latasha Hart) and Rachael Benford (Kodi, Sr.) Morgan, both of Camp Hill, AL; nine grandchildren, Jason Benford, Jr., Ariel Benford, Havannah Black, Elena Benford, Ashaejah Morgan, Kodi Morgan, Jr., LaQuavious Milner, Jarki Brooks and Keaveya Williams; one great grandchild, Jazayden Milner; two brothers, Arthur Charles (Kimberly) Benford and Ricky (Kate) Benford, both of Opelika, AL; two sisters, Mary C. McCurdy of Richmond, VA and Dorothy Wilson of Opelika, AL; one uncle, Robert Earl (Delia) Parham of Opelika, AL; one aunt, Nell Bass of Opelika, AL; brother-in-law, Daniel Barnett of Opelika, AL; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

— The Order of Service —

Prayer of Comfort

Scripture Readings

Hymn of Praise

Eulogy.....Minister Michael Ferguson

Committal

Benediction

— I Am Free —

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God has chosen for me.
I took His hands when I heard Him call;
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way;
I've now found peace at the end of the day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joys.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss;
Oh yes, these things I, too, will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow;
Look for the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seems all too brief;
Don't lengthen your pain with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and peace to thee;
God wanted me now -- He set me free.

