

HOME GOING SERVICE FOR

*- Pallbearers -*

Devin Talley  
Edwin Talley  
Wesley Talley

Greg Lewis, Jr.  
Derek Hatten  
Tony Baker

*- Flower Attendants -*

Members of Shiloh A.M.E. Zion Church  
Friends of the Family

*- Interment -*

Cobb Cemetery  
(Brownville Community)

*- Acknowledgment -*

Nothing on earth can make life more worthwhile than a true loyal friend and the warmth of a smile. For just like a sunbeam makes cloudy days brighter, the smile of a friend makes a heavy heart lighter. The family wishes to thank you for your visits, cards and calls during this time. Your prayers, food, flowers and all acts of kindness helped sustain us during these hours.

**The Family**

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.



Final Arrangements Entrusted to:

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*Mary Lizzie*  
**LIGON TALLEY**

SUNRISE: DECEMBER 1, 1936 SUNSET: MARCH 23, 2022

SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 2022 • 1:00 P.M.

SHILOH A.M.E. ZION CHURCH  
4970 COUNTY ROAD 24 • AUBURN, AL 36830

DR. HUBERT BROWN, OFFICIATING



## *- Reflections of Life -*

*"To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven" Ecclesiastes 3:1*

### **A TIME TO BE BORN**

Mary L. Talley was born to the late Mary C. Hatten and Logan Gilmore on December 1, 1936 in Macon County, Alabama.

### **A TIME TO PLANT**

Mary joined Shiloh AME Zion Church in Auburn, Alabama at a very early age. She worked and served faithfully in her church until her health failed. She served on the Usher Board, Deaconess Board, Missionary Board, Culinary and Finance Committee.

### **A TIME TO WORK**

Mary graduated from Tuskegee Institute High School. She was employed with the Alabama Extension Services where she went into many homes teaching them how to cook and prepare meals. She was a faithful Poll worker who worked every election until she physically could no longer perform her duties.

### **A TIME TO LOVE**

Mary met and married the love of her life John Talley, on December 29, 1956 and they were together for 65 years.

### **A TIME TO DEPART**

On March 23, 2022, she reached up and an angel welcomed her home for eternal rest.

*"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith" II Timothy 4:7*

Preceding her in death were eleven siblings, six brothers and five sisters.

### **A TIME FOR PEACE**

To cherish her memory: husband, John W. Talley of Auburn, AL; three children; Charles Talley and Linda Glover both of Auburn, AL and Joyce Lewis of Columbus, GA; two nephews she helped raise like her own sons, Derek Hatten of Arlington VA, and Tony Baker of Montgomery, AL; seven grandchildren, Audrianna Lewis, Wesley Talley, Gregory Lewis, Jr., Edwin Talley, Andrea Lewis, Campbell (Zack) Wood and Devin Talley; four great grandchildren, Jacobi Riggins, Paris "Kylie" Jones, Cain "Major" Riggins and Destiny Walker; siblings, Annie Terry of New Heaven, CT, Tommie Baker of Stone Mountain, GA, Annie Whatley of Opelika, AL, Mary J. Gilmore of Mount Dora, FL, Francis Gilmore of Orlando, FL and Willie Fred Gilmore of Tuskegee, AL, a host of other nieces, nephews and other relatives.

## *- When Tomorrow Starts -*

When tomorrow starts without me  
And I'm not here to see  
If the sun should rise and find your eyes  
All filled with tears for me.

I wish you wouldn't cry  
The Way you did today  
While thinking of the many things  
We did not get to say.

I know how much you love me  
As much as I love you  
Each time that you think of me  
I know you will miss me too.

When tomorrow starts with out 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 would have to leave behind  
All those I Dearly Love.

But When I walked through Heaven's Gates  
I felt so much at home  
When GOD looked down and smiled at me  
From his golden throne.

He said This Is Eternity  
And All I promised you  
Today for life on earth is done  
But Here it starts a new.

I promise no tomorrow  
For today will always last  
And Since each day's the exact same way  
There is no longing for the past.

So When Tomorrow starts without me  
Do not think we're apart  
For every time you think of me  
Remember I'm right here in your heart.

*Francis Gilmore*



## - Tributes -

### - To My Beloved Wife -

To my beloved wife of 65 years, there are many, many special memories of you that will always bring a smile. If only I could have you back for just a little while, then we could sit and talk again, just like we use to do. You always meant so very much to me in everything you do. The fact that you are no longer here will cause pain but you will forever be in my heart until we meet again.

*Your Loving Husband, Sugar Bay*

### - To Mom -

The moment that you died our hearts were torn into. One side filled with heartache, the other died with you. We all lie awake at night when the world is fast asleep, and we take a walk down memory lane with tears upon our cheeks. Remembering you is easy, we do it every day, we will forever hold and keep you in our hearts and there you will always stay.

*Your Children, Charles, Linda and Joyce*

### - To Grandma -

They say there is a reason, they say time will heal; neither time or reason will change the way we feel. Gone are the days we use to share, but in our hearts, you are always there. The gates of memories will never close; we miss you more than anybody knows. Love and miss you every day till we meet again someday.

*Your Grand and Great Grandchildren,  
Audrianna, Wesley, Greg, Edwin, Andrea, Campbell, Devin, Jacobi, Kylie, Major  
& Destiny*

## - Order of Service -

Processional..... Clergy and Family

Selection.....Choir

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament ..... Reverend Padro Smith

New Testament ..... Reverend Charles Adams

Prayer of Comfort ..... Dr. Grimmett

Solo ..... Sister Felicia Martin

Resolutions

Expressions of Love.....Two Minutes Each Please

Selection.....Choir

Eulogy..... Dr. Hubert Brown

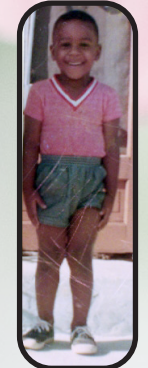
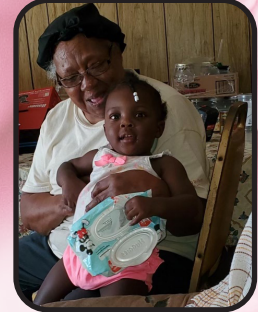
Solo ..... Deacon Johnny Dillard

Recessional

### - Prayer for My Grand and Great Grandchildren -

Dear God,  
You knew how lonely we could become one day when our children would all grow up, get married and move away. You gave me grandchildren to visit our lonely nest, bringing them back into our lives in our later years to be blessed. Bless them and watch over them safe and happy may they be. Thank you for my grand and great grandchildren. Lord, they mean so much to me.





*Dearest Memories*