

FUNERAL SERVICES
CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

*Mr. Robert
McDade Burton*

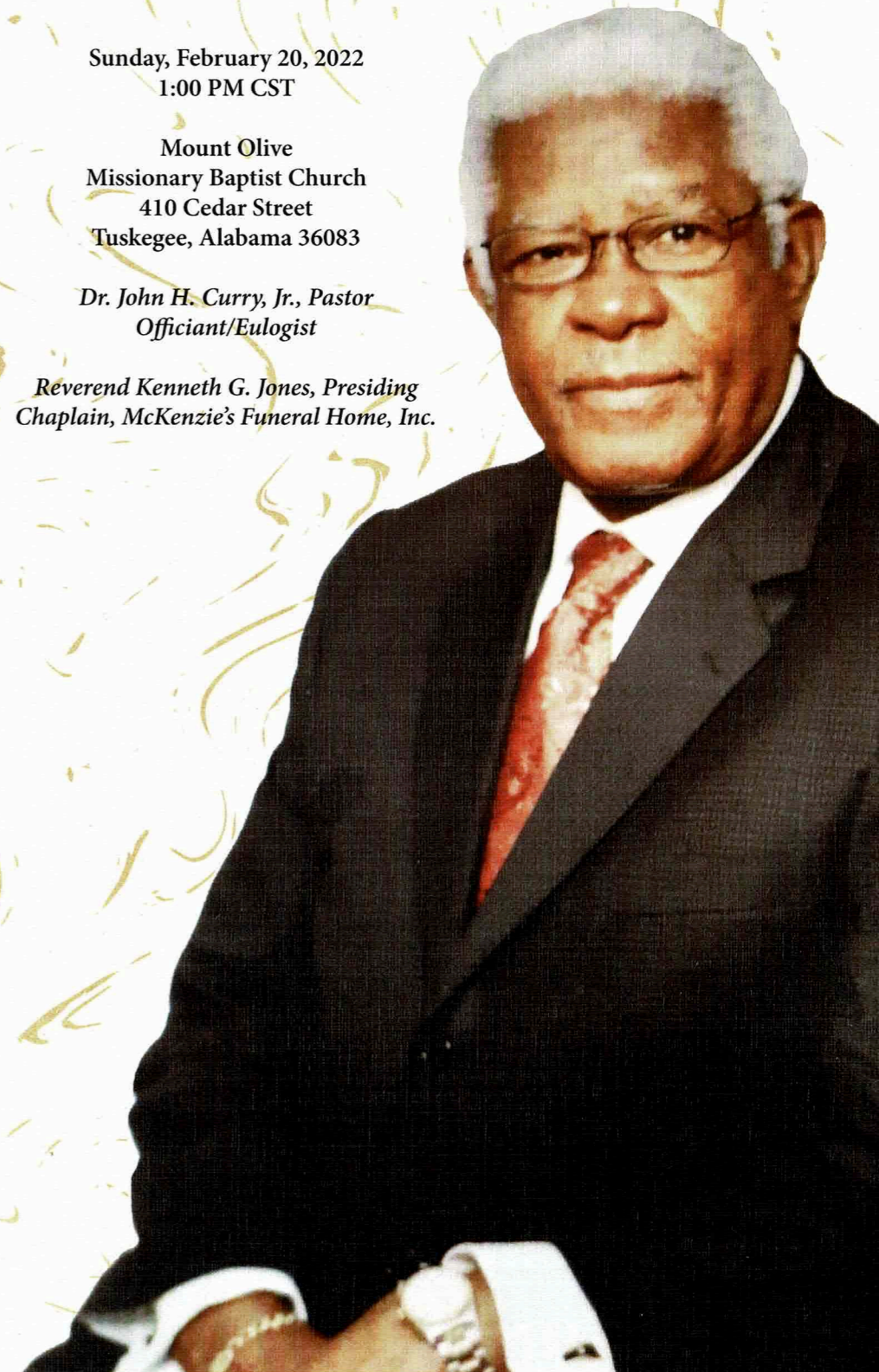
A Distinguished, Devoted, Selfless, and Dedicated Christian Servant

Sunday, February 20, 2022
1:00 PM CST

Mount Olive
Missionary Baptist Church
410 Cedar Street
Tuskegee, Alabama 36083

*Dr. John H. Curry, Jr., Pastor
Officiant/Eulogist*

*Reverend Kenneth G. Jones, Presiding
Chaplain, McKenzie's Funeral Home, Inc.*



Honorary Pallbearers

Deacons & Trustees of Mt. Olive Baptist Church
National Funeral Directors & Morticians Association
Alabama Funeral Directors & Morticians Association
East AL Funeral Directors & Morticians Association
The Honorable Alfonzo Menefee

Mr. James M. Upshaw, Jr.

Mr. Joe Daniel

Mr. David Winston

Mr. Mansfield Maddox

Mr. Russell Ducksworth

Mr. J.B. Walker

Active Pallbearers

The Staff of McKenzie's Funeral Home, Inc.
The Staff of Davis Memorial Mortuary, Inc.

Active Floral Bearers

Family and Friends



Our Sincere Gratitude

*Thank you for your kind expressions of sympathy.
The love you have shown has given us great comfort
during this difficult time. It is deeply appreciated
and will forever be remembered.*

*The Family of
MR. ROBERT MCDADE BURTON*

FINAL CARE & ARRANGEMENTS ENTRUSTED TO:



McKenzie's Funeral Home, Inc.
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Mr. Robert M. Burton, President

"Love is Forever"

Obituary

MR. ROBERT McDADDE BURTON, son of the late Robert and Beatrice Burton McDade, was born October 3, 1940, in Montgomery County, Alabama. Robert was lovingly reared by his maternal grandparents, the late Ocie and Katie Burton, in Cecil, Alabama. After graduating from Georgia Washington High School in Mt. Meigs, Alabama, Robert moved to Tuskegee to live with his cousin, the late Ocie Burton, Sr., and Fadie Bell Crenshaw Burton. During this time, Robert matriculated at The Commonwealth College of Sciences in Houston, Texas. He successfully completed the prescribed course of mortuary science for graduation in recognition of this attainment as a professional embalmer in February of 1964. Robert served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam Conflict. After receiving an honorable discharge, he returned to Alabama before moving to California.

He married the late Evangelyne Maxine Howard Burton, and this union was blessed with two sons, Howard and Kelvin.

Being the product of two communities, Robert was affiliated with St. Paul Baptist Church of Cecil, Alabama, as were his grandparents, and Mount Olive Baptist Church of Tuskegee, along with his cousin/father figure, Ocie Burton, Sr., and his wife. Robert was appointed a member of the Mount Olive Baptist Church Board of Trustees. He was a very dedicated member, having also served on the building committee for the current edifice.

Robert and Maxine purchased McKenzie's Funeral Home in 1981. As a businessman, Robert devoted more than 58 years of service to the funeral industry, serving families of East Alabama and surrounding areas. During his stellar career in funeral service, he was afforded the opportunity to work for Harrison-Ross Mortuary of Los Angeles, California, Burton's Funeral Home of Tuskegee, Alabama, and as a trade embalmer for surrounding funeral homes. Robert also served as a mentor to many, thus enhancing their funeral service careers. Always being concerned for his fellowman's thoughts and feelings, Robert will also be remembered for one of his popular sayings, "How 'Bout That."

Mr. Burton was active in various professional and community organizations. He was a member of the East Alabama Funeral Directors and Morticians Association, where he served as President, a lifetime member of the Alabama Funeral Directors and Morticians Association, the National Funeral Directors and Morticians Association, Treasurer of the Board of Directors for Macon County Council on Retardation and Rehabilitation, Inc., member of Booker T. Washington Consistory #115 of Masons, and Mizraim Temple #119 Order of Shriners.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Sylvester McDade, and two sisters, Deliah Pierce and Dorothy Glover. Mr. Robert M. Burton entered eternal rest on Wednesday, February 9, 2022, at Baptist Medical Center South in Montgomery, Alabama.

His survivors include: sons, Howard C. Burton and Kelvin L. Burton; grandsons, Carson Burton and Myles King; two brothers, Willie Lee Pierce and Reginald Pierce; two sisters, Dorothy Delois Ripton and Beatrice Pierce; nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews, including a devoted niece, Debbie Glover (Willie) Dillard; an endearing cousin whom he called his uncle, Major L. Kelley; his best friend and devoted companion, Tamicha A. Davis and her family; special cousins, Johnnie Ruth "Doll" Perkins, Yvette Burton, Wendell Hurst, Vernon Hurst, and Sandra Hurst; a friend he loved as a brother, Donnie L. Hatcher; his beloved church family; and a host of loving family, friends, and colleagues.

Order of Service

Processional "Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross"Choir and Congregation

READINGS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Old Testament..... Dr. Ramble Ankumah, Pastor
Shady Grove Missionary Baptist Church
Tuskegee, Alabama

New Testament..... Reverend Gregory A. Sutton, Pastor
Beulah #1 Missionary Baptist Church
Notasulga, Alabama

Prayer of Comfort.....Dr. Clarence P. Noble, Pastor
Greater St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church
Tuskegee, Alabama

Selection "He'll Welcome Me"Pastor Carterris Tucker

TRIBUTES

Mount Olive Missionary Baptist ChurchSister Charlzine Turner
"As a Friend" Attorney Fred D. Gray
"As a Colleague" Mr. Larry W. Fluker

Mr. Gregory B. Levett, Sr.
"As a Businessman & Community Leader"Mr. Robert L. Davis, Sr.

Selection Brother Glenn Person

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church Deacon Charles Marable, Sr.
The State Of AlabamaThe Honorable Pebblin Warren
Representative, District 82

The City of Tuskegee..... The Honorable Lawrence "Tony" Haygood
Mayor

Macon County CommissionThe Honorable Louis Maxwell
Chairman

National Funeral Directors & Morticians Association..... Dr. Carol T. Williams
Executive Director

Alabama Funeral Directors & Morticians Association Dr. Christal Whitfield
President

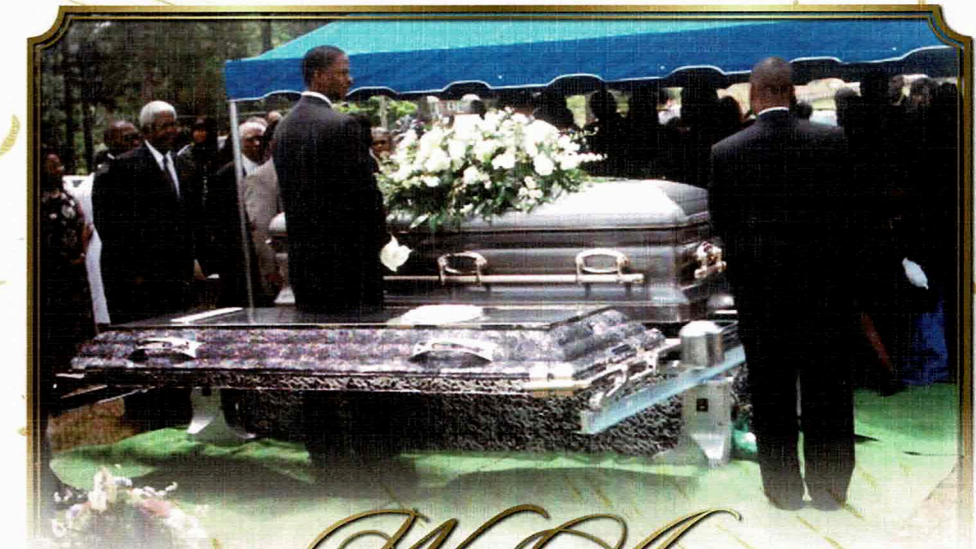
SelectionJust Jesus - Brother Sylvester McPherson

Eulogy..... Dr. John H. Curry, Jr.

Recessional

COMMITTAL SERVICE WITH MILITARY HONORS

Shady Grove Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery
2777 County Road 81 | Tuskegee, Alabama 36083



We Are Caregivers for Life

We were once known as undertakers, undertaking a calling others would not.
We are now funeral directors, giving caring direction so those gone aren't forgotten.

We are frontline supporters who know the path we'll all take.

We guide families through loss with the choices they make.

We provide answers to questions with a personal touch.

We help celebrate a life that still means so much.

We serve those who have left, comforting those left behind.

We promise to be understanding, compassionate and kind.

We arrange funerals with good judgment that help start the journey.

We bring comfort and confidence so our families needn't worry.

We understand it's alright to shed tears, have regrets and sorrow.

We provide a harbor of calm offering hope for tomorrow.

We know that loving and losing is all part of living.

We ensure a gathering takes place so others can share in the giving.

We help those who remain remember their loved ones now gone.

We encourage good memories with tribute, tradition, and song.

We give strength and support to the families we serve.

We work hard to provide the dignity we know they deserve.

We are caregivers for life who also care for the dead.

We share with the living where our life's calling has led.

-Colin Firth