

# Celebration Service

Thursday, December 31, 2020 - 3:00 PM  
PIPKIN BRASWELL CHAPEL OF PEACE  
6601 East Colfax Avenue | Denver, CO 80220  
Reverend Marlin Malone, Sr., Officiant  
Mt. Moriah Baptist Church | Aurora, CO  
Reverend Dr. Jules E. Smith, Eulogist  
Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church

Processional.....Tara Washington-Everette/Nathaniel Black  
"I'll Fly Away"  
Parting Memories.....Funeral Directors  
Selection.....Tara Washington-Everette/Nathaniel Black  
"Guide Me Over Great Jehovah"  
Comfort from the Scripture.....Appointees  
Old Testament ... Isaiah 40:25-31 ... Rev. Eula Barnes, Macedonia Baptist Church  
New Testament ... II Timothy 4:1-8 ... Rev. Stanly Gaddis, New Bethel Christian Center  
Prayer of Solace.....Rev. Robert Sweet, Zion Baptist Church  
Musical Selection .....New Direction Recording  
"Lord You're Worthy"  
Acknowledgment, Condolences, Resolutions, and Obituary.....Funeral Director  
Honoring Pastor Guffie.....Two Minute Remarks  
Ecclesiastes Remarks.....Pastor Willene Collins, Long Memorial A.M.E Zion  
Musical Selection.....Tara Washington-Everette/Nathaniel Black  
"He'll Understand and Say Well Done"  
Eulogy.....Reverend Dr. Jules E. Smith  
Pipkin Braswell Funeral Directors  
Recessional.....Tara Washington-Everette/Nathaniel Black  
"Let The Church Say Amen"

**Final Resting Place and Committal Service**  
Fort Logan National Cemetery | Denver, CO  
Due to Covid-19, only five family member will be able to attend.

### Acknowledgment

There will never be enough words to express how thankful we are for the outpouring of love and support through this difficult time. We are extremely blessed to have such loving family and friends to support us and comfort us during our loss.

**The Family of Reverend Will Guffie**

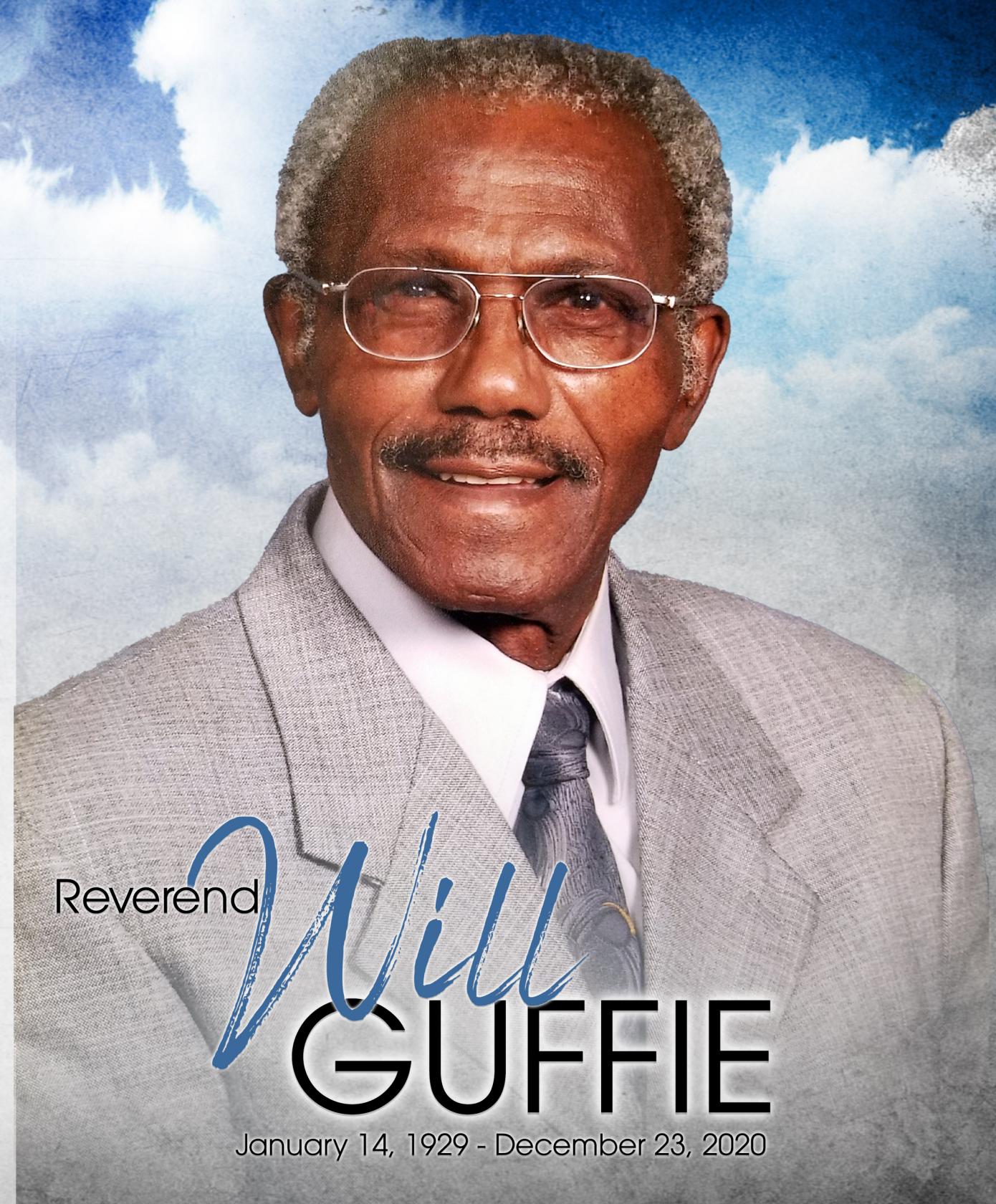


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"When Someone You Love Becomes A Memory; The Memory Becomes A Treasure."



Reverend  
*Will*  
**GUFFIE**

January 14, 1929 - December 23, 2020

# THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF REVEREND

# Will GUFFIE

Will Guffie was born on January 14, 1929 in Yalobusha County, Mississippi to his parents, Ellen Hamilton and Will Guffie, Sr. Will was the second oldest of six children. He was raised with his brothers: Leroy Guffie and James Clark, and sisters: Rena Mae Guffie, Louise Guffie and Earlene Clark. As a child, Will loved helping his mother look after his younger siblings.

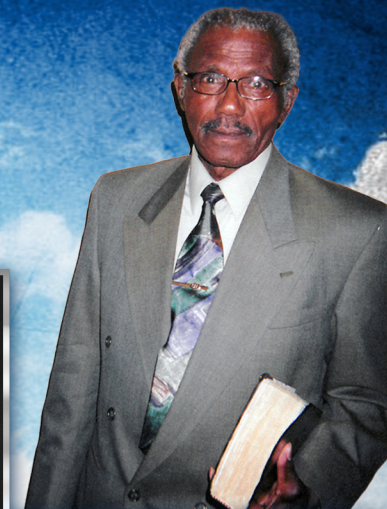
He obtained his secondary schooling in Pope Mississippi and continued his education at the Hope Center in Denver Colorado.

In 1985 Will met Mattie at Rising Star Baptist Church. They were married on June 26, 1988 in Clark County, Nevada. Prior to affirming their vows, the newlywed couple forgot their wedding rings in the hotel, during the wedding ceremony, they realized their union was not about the rings but the commitment they made in their hearts to each other. They were blessed with children, Willie Frank, Ernest, Melva, Gloria, Edgar Allen, Pearl, Charles, Larry, Judy, Jimmy Ray, Danny, Billy, Tammy, Sharon, Ila Marie, Sindney, and Kim Lawson.

At age seventeen, Will went to work at a local sawmill as a pole turner, and at twenty-one he began work on the Lake Enid Dam in Enid Mississippi. He relocated to Chicago, Illinois temporarily and put down roots in Denver, Colorado in 1959. He was then employed at the Serta Mattress Company as a mattress maker and later promoted to a truck driver in the region. Will Guffie retired from the Serta Mattress company after 31 years of employment.

Will enjoyed bowling, fishing, biking, working on cars and witnessing for Jesus.

Will Guffie received the Lord at the age of 19 at Oliver Ray Baptist Church in Oakland, Mississippi under the leadership of Rev. Samuel Baker where he became an ordained deacon. After relocating to Denver, Will united with Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor George T. Brinkley where he became an ordained minister. Will served as an Associate Minister for 42 years at Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church. On February 6, 2006, being led by the Holy Spirit, Rev. Will Guffie organized the Greater Zachariah Baptist Church. In April of 2008, Will Guffie suffered a massive stroke hindering his ability to pastor the church. In 2009, after rehabilitation, Will began to attend church again alongside Pastor Stanley Gaddis at New Bethel Christian Center. In September of 2011, Will and his family united with the Potter's House of Denver ministry where he attended regularly. In 2018, health challenges prevented him from attending regular church services, but Will remained steadfast and unwavering in his faith.



Will is preceded in death by his children, Ernest Butler; Edgar Allen Butler; and parents, Ellen Hamilton and Will Guffie, Sr.

Reverend Will Guffie departed this life on December 23, 2020, in Denver, Colorado. He leaves a legacy to his devoted wife, Reverend Dr. Mattie Guffie, Denver; his children: Willie Frank Guffie (Connie), Melva Mosley (Henry), Gloria Hortim, Pearl Winn, Charles Butler, Larry Butler, Judy Butler, Jimmy Ray Robinson, Danny McBride, Billy McBride, Tammy McBride, Sharon McBride, Ila Marie Guffie (Bill Ace), Sindney Griggs, Kim Lawson (Henri Joel); sister, Earlene Younger, and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.



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

