

Acknowledgements

In loving memory of Mrs. Dorothy M. McKeever, words cannot express the feelings in our hearts. Thank you for being with us during this difficult time. Your thoughts, generosity, prayers, and word of sympathy are greatly appreciated.

The family

Special Thanks...

Jade Quality Care, Inc. Staff,
Covenant Health Medical Center,
Carrillon House Rehab
Beyond Faith Hospice

Pallbearers

Tommy Washington
Tyrone Harris
Louie "Huey" Scott, Jr.
Henry Hunter

Honorary Pallbearers

Raymond McKeever, III
Roman Holt
Kortlin Holt
Lee Mooney
Clarence W. Jackson, Jr.

Interment

City of Lubbock Cemetery
2011 E. 31st St.
Lubbock, TX 79404

Repast

Mae Simmons Community Center
2004 Oak Ave.
Lubbock, TX 79404

Final Arrangements Entrusted To:

GRIFFIN MORTUARY
FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

1715 E. Broadway, Lubbock Texas 79403
(806)744-9000 Fax (806)744-9003

Willie Griffin Jr.

Director/Mortician

"WHEN ONLY MEMORIES REMAIN, LET THEM BE BEAUTIFUL ONES"

MADE TO LOOK
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In Loving Memory of

Mrs. Dorothy Mae McKeever



Sunrise
November 26, 1934

Sunset
January 21, 2023

Service:

Saturday, January 28, 2023
11:00 A.M.
Carter Chapel C.M.E.
420 N. MLK Blvd
Lubbock, TX 79403

Officiant/Eulogist
Minister Sabrena Gregory



Life and Legacy of Mrs. Dorothy Mae McKeever

On November 26, 1934, Joe Gibson and Virginia “Jennie” Wilson were blessed with their first born, Dorothy, in Caldwell, TX. She was the first of nine children and was nicknamed “Sister Baby”. She had a Christian upbringing and accepted Christ at an early age. She graduated high school from Lincoln High in 1954, where she was crowned “High School Sweetheart”. She earned her Bachelor’s Degree in Education (1958) at Prairie View A&M University and was later awarded her Master’s Degree in Art (1960). She had a hidden talent in floral design and worked to receive her certification as a Licensed Florist in Denver, CO (1981) and later in life received a certification in Early Childhood Development from Texas Tech University (1995), making the dean’s list. Dorothy was the recipient of the “Woman of the Year” award, in both 1981 and 2007, presented to her by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Dorothy stepped into adulthood and moved to Lubbock with her favorite uncle, Lee Gibson, to pursue her career as an educator with the Levelland Independent School District. In 1961 she married her high school sweetheart, Raymond McKeever, Jr. and during that union they were blessed with two children, Raymond LaDarrell and DeAnnettia. She taught at various schools for the Lubbock Independent School District, with most of her years as an Art teacher at Roscoe Wilson Elementary. Everyone loved her creativity and quirky imagination. She created everything from flowers and window art to a giant, life sized airplane made of paper. After approximately 40 years of service as an Educator, she retired after fulfilling her dream as a preschool teacher at Mahon Early Childhood Center. Some of Dorothy’s hobbies consisted of reading Jesus is Calling, sitting in her front yard, sharing God’s word, philanthropy, and shopping ‘til YOU dropped! She loved collecting angels and elephants.

Dorothy’s true passion was living and teaching God’s word. She was a dedicated member of Carter Chapel C.M.E. church where she served as First Lady and Stewardess. She loved her church and served within the C.M.E. connection for over 65 years. She was the founder and sole operator of The Joy Bible Club, that started in 1978. She taught children and teens in groups she called The Little Hearts, Bible Standers, Fishermen, and Disciples. Picking up children from all over the neighborhood in the back of her green truck every Thursday evening. She introduced children to volunteering, praying, singing and most of all God. Anyone that encountered Dorothy was in for a spiritual blessing, she was definitely on the Main Line.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers; Leon Sheppard and Nathaniel Reed, four sisters; Lucille Mooney, Bennie McGee, Rebecca Gray, and Doris Sharper.

She leaves to cherish the memory of her life: two children, Raymond McKeever III (Mia) of Amarillo and DeAnnettia McKeever-Holt of Lubbock; five grandchildren, Jonathan Mitchell, Ladariene McKeever, Roman Holt, Kortlin Holt, and Kristan “Princess” Holt; one great grandchild, Kamoni Xavier Frye; one God daughter, Percilla Howard and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

Order of Service

Processional

Prayer.....Reverend Ora Roberts

Scriptures of Comfort

Old Testament.....Psalm 121

Louie “Huey” Scott, Jr.

New Testament.....Revelations 21:4

Dr. Teresa Thompson-Pinckney

Sermonic Selection

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Bennie Nance

Resolutions and Acknowledgements

Carter Chapel C.M.E.

Remarks.....2 minutes please

Song.....“I Shall Wear a Crown”

Darius Luckey

Johnny Hicks

Message of Comfort.....“Trusting the Transition”

Minister Sabrena Gregory

Final Tribute.....Willie Griffin, Jr. & Staff

Recessional.....“Going Up Yonder”

Rest in Heaven Memaw!

You’re finally with your best friend, the Lord
You’ve taught us so much and always made us laugh
I will cherish all the good times and funny moments

We will continue to make you proud

We love you to the moon and back!

Roman, Kristan “Princess”, & Kortlin