

Celebrating A Life Well Lived



Sister Mary Lee Haywood

September 9, 1940 ~ May 11, 2023

Celebration Service

Saturday ~ May 20, 2023 ~ 3:00 PM

Mount Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church

*390 Hwy 95 South
Elgin, Texas 78621*

Pastor B. K. Smith, Eulogist

Reverend Steven Ward, Officiating

Mary Lee Haywood was born Mary Lee Williams to Charlie Willams and Ilester Williams on September 2,1940 in Bastrop, Tx. Friends and family often called her “Red” due to her bright complexion. Mary came from a huge family. She often liked to farm and garden. Mary attended Emile High School. After her studies Mary began working as a CNA in Elgin, TX. Shortly after, Red married her best friend Willie Haywood Sr. She had 5 children, Willie Haywood II, Joann Haywood, Deborah Haywood, Otha Haywood Sr, Darick Haywood. and raised her grandson, Eric (Paco) Haywood.

Mary gave her life to Christ at an early age. She was baptized at Mt Moriah Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor L.R. White. Later in life Mary moved her membership to Mt. Pleasant Baptist church under the leadership of Pastor B.K. Smith. Mary served as a missionary and made sure she served the lord even in sickness. She cleaned the church every Saturday for Sunday morning service. Mary continued to serve in the house of the lord until her health began to decline.

Mary had a heart for the elderly and often picked up shifts at the nursing home until she was not able to work any longer. She enjoyed the outdoor breeze and sitting on the porch watching the animals. Mary loved pigs, goats, sheep and even had her son (Otha Sr.) make her a garden.

Mary had a host of grandchildren and great grandchildren whom she loved and cherished dearly. She would do anything for them. She loved to send her grandkids to run errands. She either needed you to go to Walmart, Heb or the corner store. They couldn't say no. Red was feisty. What she said she meant and loved you in the midst. Mary was very vibrant. Whomever she encountered would always leave with smiles. However, she could help, she would. Mary spent her last few years looking after her great-grandchildren. Granny would always have popsicles or candy for them when they came. She would sit and look out the window waiting for her grandbabies to show up.

Mary, an angel of God is preceded in death by her parents, Charlie Williams, and Ilester Williams, her daughter Joann Haywood, her brothers, CW Williams, Jessie Williams, Earnest Williams, Clarence Williams, Willie Williams, Tommy Williams and her sister, Mattie Connon.

Mary is leaving to mourn her legacy, her children, Willie Haywood II (Barbara), Otha Haywood Sr (Lori), Deborah Haywood, and Darick Haywood; her siblings Joyce Williams, Eddie Williams, and Ileste Williams and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

Order of Service

Melodic Reminiscence Sister Theresa McShan

Processional

Greeting Pastor B. K. Smith

Old Testament Reverend L. R. Wilson

New Testament Reverend L.R. Wilson

Prayer of Comfort Reverend Steven Ward

Song of Celebration Reverend L. H. McShan
His Eye Is On The Sparrow

Church Tribute Mt. Pleasant
(Resolution) Missionary Baptist Church

Expressions of Love 2 minutes please

Inspirational Solo Brother Byron Mitchell

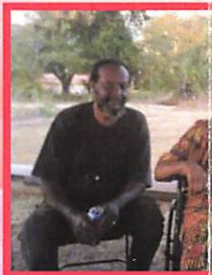
Celebration Message Pastor B.K Smith

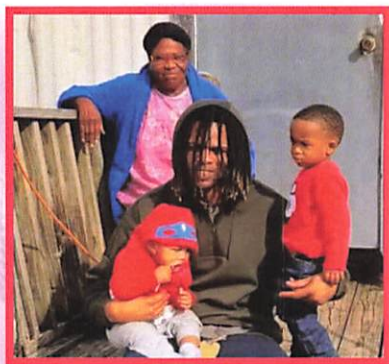
Final Glimpse Josh Hausladen,
Before Glory Funeral Director

Recessional Going Up Yonder

*For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand.
I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God,
than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.*

Psalm 84:10







Mama,

If Roses grow in Heaven
Lord, please pick a bunch for me.
Place them in my Mother's arms
and tell her they're from me.
Tell her that I love her and miss her,
and when she turns to smile,
place a kiss upon her cheek
and hold her for a while.
Because remembering her is easy,
I do it every day,
but there's an ache within my heart
that will never go away.

Love Forever,

Willie, Otha, Deborah, and Darick

Tributes



Granny,

Grandma, your life was full of loving deeds, forever thoughtful of our special needs. Today and tomorrow, my whole life through, I will always love and cherish you.

~ **Great Grandkids**

Grandma,

We had a wonderful grandmother,
One who never really grew old;
Her smile was made of sunshine,
And her heart was solid gold;
Her eyes were as bright as shining stars,
And in her cheeks fair roses you see.

We had a wonderful grandmother,
And that's the way it will always be.

But take heed, because
She's still keeping an eye on all of us,
So, let's make sure
She will like what she sees.

~ **Grandkids**

Caskets Bearers

Eric Haywood Freddie Falke Jr Angelo Haywood
Justin Lewis Austin Haywood Angelo Haywood Jr
 Willie Haywood III Otha Haywood Jr

Honorary Caskets Bearers

Jace Haywood Deondre Murphy Zion Lewis
Willie Lewis Kira Haywood Willie Haywood, Jr
Kiniah Haywood Morgan Smyth Angelese Haywood
Darick Haywood Otha Haywood Sr. Ashtyn Lewis
Ian Waldon Sager Haywood Collin Haywood
 Jai Lewis

Words of Gratitude

Thank you for your compassion and kindness
at such a difficult time.

We felt very comforted with
the services and respect you gave the family.

-Haywood Family

The Mortal Shelter

Sayers Cemetery

1838 Sayers Rd
Bastrop TX 78602



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