

## *She is Gone*

You can shed tears that she is gone,  
or you can smile because she has lived.  
You can close your eyes and pray that she'll come back,  
or you can open your eyes and see all she's left.  
Your heart can be empty because you can't see her,  
or you can be full of the love you shared.  
You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday,  
or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.  
You can remember her and only that she's gone,  
or you can cherish her memory and let it live on.  
You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back,  
or you can do what she'd want: smile, open your eyes, love and go on.

FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS  
*Mary Lee Jackson Smith*  
1951 – 2020

## *Thank You*

Perhaps you sang a lovely song or sat quietly in a chair.  
Perhaps you sent a floral arrangement. If so, we saw it there.  
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.  
Perhaps you were not there at all— just thought of us that day.

Whatever you did to console our hearts,  
we THANK YOU so much—  
whatever the part.

THE FAMILY

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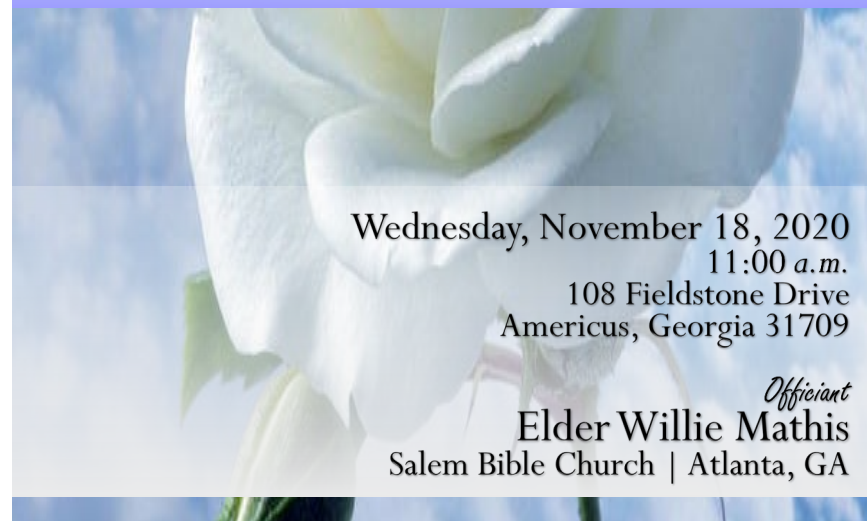
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MEMORIAL SERVICE in  
*Loving Memory of*

*Mary Lee Jackson Smith*  
March 4, 1951      November 11, 2020



Wednesday, November 18, 2020  
11:00 a.m.  
108 Fieldstone Drive  
Americus, Georgia 31709

*Officiant*  
Elder Willie Mathis  
Salem Bible Church | Atlanta, GA

*Mary Lee Jackson Smith*  
 OBITUARY

Mrs. Mary Lee Jackson Smith was born in Marion County, Georgia on March 4, 1951, to the parentage of the late Mr. Walter Jackson, Jr. and the late Mrs. Katie Mae Williams Jackson. She received her education in the Tri-County School System. She was employed as a manager with Fresh Plants, Inc. located in Americus, Georgia.



She is preceded in death by two sisters, Carolyn Storey and Louise Jackson; a brother, Pie Shelton; a brother-in-law, Gino Jones and two friends, Johnny Wimbush and Benny Scott.

She leaves to cherish her memories: her husband, Mr. Horace Smith, Buena Vista, GA; one son, Mr. Ricky (Amy) Jackson, McDonough, GA; two daughters, Ms. Denise Holman and friend, Greg Thomas, Fayetteville, NC and Mrs. Sherronda Bell and friend, Wendell McGhee of Columbus, GA; six brothers: Mr. Jeffery (LaTonna) Jackson of Germany, Mr. Willie James Jackson, Mr. Alton Jackson, both of Miami, FL; Mr. Joe Jones, Americus, GA; Mr. Joe (Mary) Jackson, Hobart, OK and Mr. Benny Jackson, Ellaville, GA; three sisters: Mrs. Debra (Lewis) Thompson, Crossville, TN; Ms. Christine Jones and Ms. Debra Shelton, both of Americus, GA; twelve grandchildren: Tacora Jackson, Demarcus Phillips, Angel Jackson, Jada Walker, QwaMeka Wimbush, MaCayla Holman, Gerald Holman, Jr., KiMeshia Huggins, Spc. Qwanterious (Melissa) Bownes, Fultricia Bell, Fulton Bell, Jr. and De'Ajah Bell; three great grandchildren: Ajayden Bownes, Nevaeh Bownes and Emeri Banks; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends, including devoted friends, Mr. Luke (Linda) Johnson and Mr. Willie (Linda) Dennard and her beloved pet, Bella also survive.

*Mary Lee Jackson Smith*  
 ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional	led by Elder Willie Mathis
Selection	“On My Way Home” by Lee Williams
Prayer	Elder Mathis
Scripture Reading	Fulton Bell, Jr. Grandson
Poem	“As I Sit in Heaven” De’Ajah Bell   Granddaughter
Reflections	Open to Friends limit 2 minutes
Words of Comfort	Elder Willie Mathis Salem Bible Church   Atlanta, GA
Acknowledgements and Presentation of the Heirloom Family Bible	Barnum Staff
Recessional	

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 or to silent mode during the service. Thank you.*