Remembering the Life of Mattie Lee Slappey Thomas

ORDER OF SERVICE Officiant | Rev. Christopher O'Bryant

Processional.....Rev. George F. Monts, Jr. and Pulpit Guests

Last Glance and Final Sealing

SelectionLebanon Choir
PrayerDeacon William Bryant
ScriptureRev. Christopher O'Bryant Lebanon Baptist Church
Reflections <i>limit 2 minutes</i> As an Usher Deacon J.C. Bryant, Jr.   President, Ushers Ministry
Open to Friends
Words of ComfortRev. Norris Harris

Oglethorpe Circuit

Selection.....Deacon Edward Jackson

Eulogy......Rev. George F. Monts, Jr. Whole Truth International Ministries, Inc.

Acknowledgements and Presentation of the Family Bible.....Barnum Staff

#### RECESSIONAL

Please turn all cell phones and electronic devices off or to silent mode during the service. Thank you. We loved her. Yes, we loved her, but Jesus loved Mattie more. Now He has sweetly called her home to yonder shining shore. The Golden Gate opened, a gentle voice said "come" and with farewell unspoken, Mattie calmly entered home.

#### Mattie Lee Slappey Thomas | 1934 - 2023

*Earthly Place of Rest* Lebanon Cemetery Old Plains Highway, Plains, GA 31780

*Pallbearers* **Deacons and Friends of the Family** 

Active Flower Attendants Nieces and Friends of the Family

Honorary Flower Attendants Ushers of Lebanon Baptist Church

## Acknowledgements

Jesus promised they who mourned would be comforted. During our hours of bereavement, this promise has been fulfilled by you, our kind and loving FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS. Thank you each for coming to help us bear our grief. Your calls, visits, prayers and kindness in acts and deeds during the passing of our loved one shall never be forgotten. THE FAMILY

## FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS ENTRUSTED TO: **Barnum Funeral Home, Inc.**

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Escort Courtesy: Americus Police Department Sumter County Sheriff's Office



# Mattie Lee Slappey Thomas



Thursday, February 2, 2023 11:00 a.m. Lebanon Baptist Church 403 Bottsford Road Plains, Georgia 31780

funeral Service

**Rev. George F. Monts, Jr.** Whole Truth International Ministries, Inc.

> The Golden Gate opened, a gentle voice said "come" and with farewell unspoken, Mattie calmly entered home.



Mattie Lee Slappey Thomas, affectionately known as "Dear", was born in Sumter County, Georgia on August 29, 1934, to the parentage of the late Mr. Stencil Slappey and the late Mrs. Flora Lee Rogers Slappey. At an early age, she joined the Lebanon Baptist Church, where she served faithfully as a member and an usher for over 35 years. She received her education in the public school system of Sumter County, GA. She was employed for more than 40 years at the Plains Convalescent Home. Ms. Mattie was married to the late Mr. William Thomas.

She was the matriarch of the family. She was always there to assist in any way she could, not only for her family, but everyone she came in contact with.

In addition to her parents and her husband, she is also preceded in death by her daughter, Irma Jean Jackson; a grandson, Donald Gibson and brothers and sisters: Charlie Lewis Slappey, Annie B. Slappey, Bessie Mae Daniels, Mozelle Slappey, Eugene Slappey and Clyde Slappey.

She leaves to cherish her memories: her son, Mr. Charles Slappey, Plains, GA; her daughter, Ms. Deborah Slappey Brown, Atlanta, GA; three brothers: Mr. Marvin (Michelle) Slappey, Waterbury, CT; Mr. Clarence Slappey, Americus, GA and Mr. Artis (Anita) Slappey, Indiantown, FL; a sister, Ms. Jeanette Slappey, Albany, GA; three grandchildren: Douglas Gibson, Plains, GA; Brittany Brown and Malik (Katlin) Brown, Sr., all of Atlanta, GA; five great grandchildren: Deontre Gibson, Malik Brown, Jr., Marley Brown, all of Atlanta, GA; Khadejaj Gibson and Nakeria Gibson, both of Americus, GA; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends also survive.



A light from our household is gone. The voice we love is still. A place is vacant in our home that can never be filled. We cannot tell who may next fall beneath the chosen rod. One must be first, so let us all prepare to meet our God.



## Her Journey's Just Begun



Don't think of her as gone away. Her journey's just begun. Life holds many facets. This earth is only one. Just think of her as resting from the sorrows and the tears in a place of warmth and comfort, where there are no days and years. Think of how she must be wishing that we could know today how nothing but sadness can really pass away. And think of her as living in the hearts of those she touched, for nothing loved is ever lost and she was loved so much.

## Mrs. Mattie Lee **SLAPPEY THOMAS**

Sunrise: August 29, 1934 Sunset: January 27, 2023