



# Eldora Benjamin

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Peace my heart...Peace, my heart, let the time for the parting be sweet, let it not be a death but completeness. Let love melt into memory and pain into songs. Let the flight through the sky end in the folding of the wings over the next. Let the last touch of your hands be gentle like the flower of the night. Stand still, O Beautiful End, for a moment and say your last words in silence.

I bow to you and hold up my lamp to light you on your way.” ~ Rabindranath Tagore  
Eldora Forrest Benjamin was March 23, 1947 to Mr. L.M. Forrest and Mrs. Zelma Mae Robinson Forrest in Winona, Mississippi. Eldora received her wings to glory and took flight on May 24, 2021.

Eldora expressed her faith in the Lord Jesus Christ at age ten at Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church and was baptized and united with Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church in Kilmichael, Mississippi.

Eldora attended the Montgomery County Vocational High School in Kilmichael, Mississippi. She married Mr. Joseph Benjamin in 1965. From this union they bore four

children, Ms. Benedetta Benjamin, Ms. Josezetta Benjamin, Mr. Joseph Benjamin, Jr. and Mr. Joshua Benjamin.

Eldora and Joseph lived in Greenwood, Mississippi for a short time and in 1968 later relocated to Saint Louis, Missouri, where she lived for the remaining time of her Earthly journey.

Early on Eldora, with her husband and family, joined Good Shephard Church on Kingshighway and after some years later, she joined Sanfrancisco Temple Church of



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God in Christ and was a devoted member to both churches. She enjoyed singing in the choir and also sang with gospel group, the Velvetones. She was a born again trumpet-sounding praise-worshiping soldier for the Lord.

Eldora loved nothing more than family. She loved spending time with her family and

traveling up and down the road to Mississippi or flying wherever her children or family

members were willing to take her. But she didn't mind traveling down 55 to see her down south family. She enjoyed traveling and when opportunity presented itself, she took advantage and can be seen in family photos enjoying herself again and again with family.

Eldora leaves behind her loving family to mourn her departure: her husband, whom she was separated from ~ Joseph Benjamin; children Mrs. Bendetta Benjamin-Cobb (Cherrie), Ms. Josezetta Motley (ex-husband, Joel Motley, Sr.); Mr. Joseph Benjamin, Jr. and Joshua Benjamin (Candace James); grandchildren ~ Michael Franklin, Jr., NiQuia Franklin, Joseph Benjamin, III, Dunieka Benjamin, Joel Motley, III, Jarrod Motley, Janae Motley, Jasper Motley, Brittany McNutt, Joshua Benjamin, Jr., JacQuise Benjamin, Jaleesa Benjamin, Jermaine Benjamin, Kimisha Benjamin, Kyle Benjamin, Kortez Benjamin, Kaya Benjamin, Kalea Benjamin and a host of great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

She also leaves to mourn her passing: her mother ~ Mrs. Zelma Forrest of Kilmichael,

Mississippi; two sisters ~ Jossie Hearn (George - deceased) of Winona, Mississippi and Flora Hargrove (Henderson - deceased) of Memphis, Tennessee; five brothers ~ Riley Forrest (Ruby) of Crawford, Mississippi, L. M. Forrest, Jr. (Patricia - deceased) of Winona, Mississippi; Lee Alfred Forrest (Marilyn) of Winona, Mississippi; Theo Forrest

of Winona, Mississippi and J. L. Forrest (Ethel Mae - deceased) of Winona, Mississippi;

two aunts ~ Betty Jean Forrest and Daisey Lee Robinson of Winona, Mississippi and one uncle ~ K. T. Robinson of Duck Hill, Mississippi.



# Events

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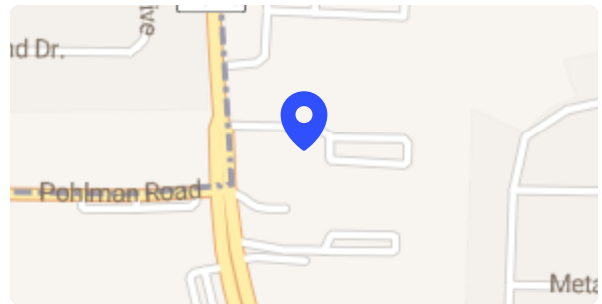
## Visitation

**Friday**, June 4, 2021

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM CT

**McClendon Mortuary and Cremation Services**

12140 New Halls Ferry Road, Florissant MO 63033



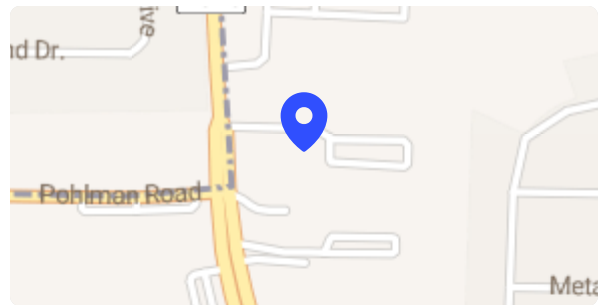
## Service

**Friday**, June 4, 2021

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM CT

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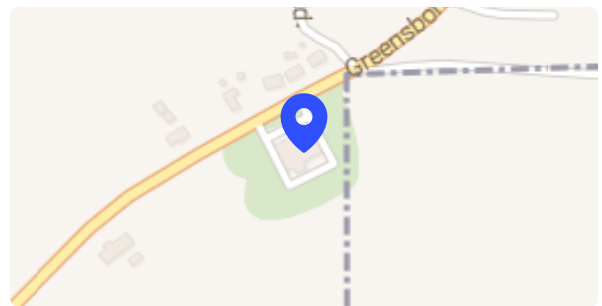
## Service

**Saturday**, June 12, 2021

2:30 PM - 5:30 PM CT

**Roberts & Sons Mortuary**

524 Greensboro Street, Winona MS 38967





## Tribute Wall

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**McClendon Mortuary And Cremation Services** shared the funeral program for Eldora Benjamin.

June 3 at 1:01 PM



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**Anonymous** sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Benjamin family.

June 3 at 7:35 AM





# **Memories only last if you share them**

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