



## Bessie McCluney

June 7, 1945 - July 6, 2025

Bessie Lee McCluney known affectionately by most as "Mama Bessie" was born on June 7, 1945 to the union of Myrtis Fomby Sr and Velma Fomby. Bessie was a truly remarkable woman whose life was a testament to grace, kindness, and unwavering faith.

She departed this life on July 6, 2025 leaving behind a legacy of love, service, and compassion that will never be forgotten. She was preceded in death by her parents: Myrtis and Velma Fomby. Sisters: Jessie Walker, Mary Brown, Lula McElrath, Geneva Curry and brothers: Edward and TJ Fomby.

Bessie was a beacon of light to all who knew her. She lived her life in service to others, guided by a deep and abiding faith in God. From an early age, she was a faithful servant of the Lord and a dedicated lifelong member of Pine Grove Missionary Baptist Church, where she gave her heart not only as a devoted member but also as a teacher, mentor, choir member, friend, and spiritual guide to countless souls.

Bessie was a proud graduate of Talladega County Training School, and she worked many years in the medical field until she finally retired from Citizens Baptist Medical Center where she won multiple employee of the month and year awards for her outstanding service to the public. She gave without expecting anything in return, believing that love was best expressed through

action. To her family, she was the heart and soul of every gathering, a source of comfort and strength, and a living example of selfless love. Whether through church service, acts of kindness, or simply offering a warm smile, Bessie made it her mission to care for others. Her home was always open, her hands always ready to help, her heart always full of compassion, her wisdom freely given, and her love unconditional.

She is survived by her beloved children: Tamiko (Victor) Ragland, Terence (Marchelle) McCluney, and Torri (Kwasi) Jennings. Siblings: Myrtis Fomby Jr, Lizzie Bell Lynch and Josephine Fomby. Grandchildren: Bethany, Tiffany, Whitney, Chase (Valerie), Terence, J'Quil, Markita, Clyde Jr, Brandon, and Jeremy. Bonus grandchildren: Daisha, Trey, Aramis, Montrelon, Kaylon, Montre, Brandon, and Ashlei and a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other relatives who will carry forward her spirit of kindness, strength, and faith.

Though she may be gone from our sight, she will forever remain in our hearts - a guiding light, a nurturing soul, and a powerful example of what it means to live a life of purpose and love.

"Well done, good and faithful servant." - Matthew 25:23

# Cemetery Details

## Pine Grove Baptist Church

500 Drew Avenue  
Lincoln, AL 35096

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

JUL 11. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

S.M. Goodson Funeral Home Chapel  
217 Coosa St. East  
Talladega, AL 35160

## Celebration of Life

JUL 12. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Pine Grove Baptist Church  
500 Drew Avenue  
Lincoln, AL 35096

# Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Bessie McCluney.*



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July 30, 2025 at 01:18 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Bessie McCluney.

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July 30, 2025 at 01:18 PM



“ *Regina Truss-Briskey lit a candle in memory of Bessie McCluney*



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**Regina Truss-Briskey** - July 16, 2025 at 02:47 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bessie McCluney.*



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July 13, 2025 at 09:51 AM

JR

“ Sending prayers to you and your family sorry for your loss Elaine Reynolds and family we loss great mother figure

Joy Reynolds - July 12, 2025 at 04:00 AM

BS

“ Barbara Scott lit a candle in memory of Bessie McCluney



Barbara Scott - July 11, 2025 at 11:30 PM

CH

“ Sending our deepest condolences to you and your family may you find strength to stay strong .



From Charles & Rozetta



charles - July 11, 2025 at 03:57 PM

TF

“ The Stokes Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Bessie McCluney.



The Stokes Family - July 11, 2025 at 03:34 PM

AP

“ Mrs Bessie, Love you always my Sunday School Teacher. Deepest Sympathy Aniya and Flossie



Aniya and Flossie Pearson - July 11, 2025 at 03:17 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Bessie McCluney.



July 11, 2025 at 03:17 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Bessie McCluney.

July 11, 2025 at 03:17 PM

AF

“ Anthony Dye & Family lit a candle in memory of Bessie McCluney



Anthony Dye & Family - July 11, 2025 at 10:23 AM

PH

“ Pearl Cunningham Heyward lit a candle in memory of Bessie McCluney



Pearl Cunningham Heyward - July 11, 2025 at 03:36 AM

PH

REST IN PEACE MY LIKE A SISTER!! ❤️🙏

Pearl Cunningham Heyward - July 11, 2025 at 03:42 AM

LF

“ Love, Tommy & Ann Dills & Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Bessie McCluney.



Love, Tommy & Ann Dills & Family - July 10, 2025 at 08:26 PM

LF

“ Love, Tommy & Ann Dills & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bessie McCluney.

Love, Tommy & Ann Dills & Family - July 10, 2025 at 08:26 PM

EB

“ Ernestine Baker lit a candle in memory of Bessie McCluney



Ernestine Baker - July 10, 2025 at 08:12 PM

AK

“ Arnold and Angela Kirksey purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Bessie McCluney.



Arnold and Angela Kirksey - July 10, 2025 at 07:44 PM

AK

“ Arnold and Angela Kirksey planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bessie McCluney.

Arnold and Angela Kirksey - July 10, 2025 at 07:44 PM

RF

“ Rev. And Minister Sillmon and Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Bessie McCluney.



Rev. And Minister Sillmon and Family - July 10, 2025 at 07:14 PM

RF

“ Rev. And Minister Sillmon and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bessie McCluney.

Rev. And Minister Sillmon and Family - July 10, 2025 at 07:14 PM

FE

“ Felisha lit a candle in memory of Bessie McCluney



felisha - July 10, 2025 at 10:00 AM

FE

*To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord.  
I can only imagine what she is feeling now, complete rest!  
love you all  
Felisha (Lisa)*

felisha - July 11, 2025 at 04:39 PM

RC

“ Robby & Karen Coleman purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Bessie McCluney.



Robby & Karen Coleman - July 10, 2025 at 09:14 AM

ML

“ *Morio and Catrice Lee purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Bessie McCluney.*



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**Morio and Catrice Lee** - July 09, 2025 at 10:24 PM

WJ

“ *Praying that Mrs. McCluney's family will be able to find peace and comfort during this difficult time. Although you will miss her physical presence, be assured that she is at peace, resting in His arms. God bless you.*



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**Winona Jacobs** - July 09, 2025 at 04:42 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bessie McCluney.*



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July 09, 2025 at 04:41 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Bessie McCluney.*

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July 09, 2025 at 04:41 PM

LT

“ *Laura Twymon lit a candle in memory of Bessie McCluney*



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**Laura Twymon** - July 09, 2025 at 03:51 AM

LT

*Prayers that God will strengthen and comfort you as you are going through these days of sadness.*

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**Laura Twymon** - July 09, 2025 at 03:53 AM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Bessie McCluney.*



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July 08, 2025 at 10:42 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Bessie McCluney.*



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July 08, 2025 at 09:59 PM

JH

“ Jackie Williams Hall lit a candle in memory of Bessie McCluney



Jackie Williams Hall - July 08, 2025 at 06:30 PM

AH

“ Alonzo And Shernevelyne Hill lit a candle in memory of Bessie McCluney



Alonzo and Shernevelyne Hill - July 08, 2025 at 06:17 PM



“ Finest Farewell Spray was purchased for the family of Bessie McCluney.



July 08, 2025 at 02:26 PM

PT

“ Pat Turner lit a candle in memory of Bessie McCluney



pat turner - July 08, 2025 at 01:39 PM



“ Jackie Williams Hall lit a candle in memory of Bessie McCluney



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Jackie Williams Hall - July 08, 2025 at 12:05 PM



“ Barbara Wilson sent a virtual gift in memory of Bessie McCluney



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Barbara Wilson - July 07, 2025 at 01:51 PM