



## Eric McGowan

November 20, 1954 - October 29, 2024

Mr. Eric McGowan, was born on November 20, 1954, in Pell City, Alabama. He was a cherished son of Ernest White and Pauline McGowan Bedford, who instilled in him grace and faith.

A man of deep religious conviction, Mr. McGowan found solace and strength in his faith, and spent his later years as a member of First Missionary Baptist Church South in Pell City. He received his formal education in the St. Clair County school System and was a graduate of Pell City High School. After completing his education, he pursued a career as a skilled welder, distinguishing himself in the welding industry. Through hard work and determination, he carved out a legacy of excellence in his craft. He had an unwavering love for his children and found great joy in simple pleasures like fishing, drawing, working on cars, and watching his beloved Alabama Roll Tide during football season. His passion for inventing and his inquisitive nature always kept him engaged in designing new things.

Mr. Eric McGowan Eric peacefully left this world on Tuesday, October 29, 2024, at his residence in Lincoln, Alabama. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ernest White and Pauline McGowan, bonus father, Hosea Bedford, Sr., sister, Ruby Kynard, and daughter-in-law, Tonya McGowan.

Mr. McGowan's life will be honored and remembered by his adoring sons, Eric McGowan and Byron (Doretha) King; his daughter, Erika (Erron) Twymon; his beloved grandchildren, Chloe King, Erilyn Twymon, and Easton McGowan. He will forever be cherished by his brothers, Benny Bedford, Henry Bedford, Hosea Bedford, Robbie Bedford, Joseph Bedford, and Clifton Bedford; his sisters, Mary Bedford, Olivia Bedford, Cathy Bedford, Dena Bedford, and Monica Bedford; his brother-in-law, Ray Kynard; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

As we prepare to lay this beloved soul to rest, we reflect upon the legacy of compassion, faith, and dedication that Mr. Eric McGowan leaves behind. His memory will continue to inspire, and his spirit will forever live on in our hearts.



# Cemetery Details

## First Baptist Church Cropwell

3903 Mays Bend Rd.  
Cropwell, AL 35054

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

NOV 4. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Celebration of Life

NOV 5. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

First Missionary Baptist Church South  
850 19th Street South  
Pell City, AL 35128

# Tribute Wall

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“ *I know Eric from along time ago  
Sorry to hear about him passing sending my condolences and prayers to the  
whole family I will continue to pray love you gone never forgotten love you Annie  
Lee Embry*

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**Annie Lee Embry** - November 05, 2024 at 06:04 PM

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“ *My deepest condolences to the family!*

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**Lenora Orr Godwin** - November 01, 2024 at 02:45 PM

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“ *Jackie Williams Hall lit a candle in memory of Eric  
McGowan*



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**Jackie Williams Hall** - October 30, 2024 at 11:49 AM