## Flower Ladies

Granddaughters & Nieces

## <u>Pallbearers</u>

Clayton Lightfoot Jordan Lightfoot Cedric Garrett Shea Lightfoot Bobby Barrett

Christopher Thomas

Karl Sims

## Acknowledgements

We acknowledge all acts of kindness shown by family and friends during our time of sorrow. We would like to extend a special thanks to our mother's caregivers, Barbara McGuire, Tina McGuire, Jennifer Wilson, Carla Griffey, Maline Fears, Mattie Killings, Bishop William Davenport and The Corinth Missionary Baptist Church. God's blessings to you, we love and appreciate you.

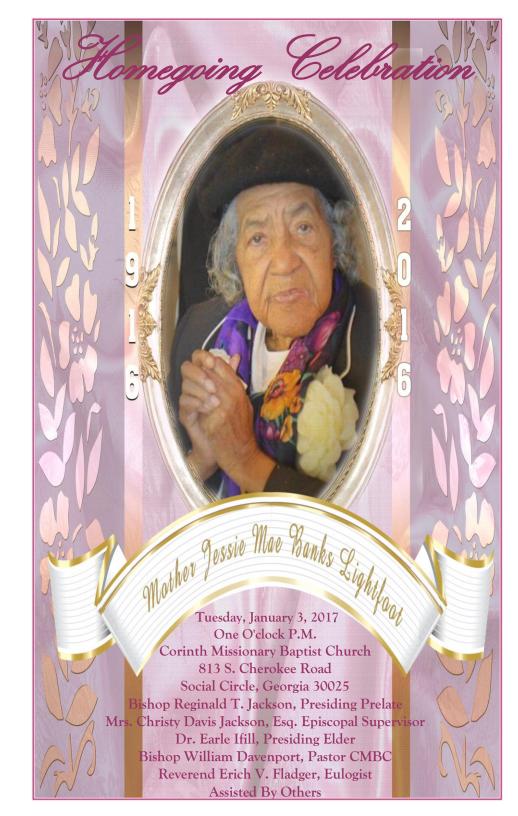
~The Banks and Lightfoot Families

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This note is to express sympathy and our appreciation for your trust in us. It is our purpose to give thoughtful service, and if in doing so we have helped to lighten your burden, our aim has been accomplished. We sincerely hope that our services has been deserving of your confidence.



# The Journey

Mother Jessie Mae Banks Lightfoot affectionately known as "Madea" was born in Newton County, Georgia to her late parents, Mr. & Mrs. Jesse (Estella Wynn) Banks, on October 31, 1916.

She was educated in the Graves Chapel School. She was married to the late Edward Lightfoot and a devoted mother to seven children.

Mother Jessie was a very loving caretaker where she nurtured numerous families in Social Circle and surroundings areas as far away as Montgomery, Alabama. She received her Nursing Certification and was employed for many years with Social Circle Nursing Home. She traveled with the Eastern Stars to many cities and counties. Jessie was a proud Civil Rights Activist and served decades for justice and equality for all.

She was a faithful member of Cargle Chapel AME Church, where she attended every Sunday. In her early years, she served as a member of the Senior Choir and the Women's Missionary Society.

On December 29, 2016, the final chapter of Mother Jessie's life came to a close, quietly and peacefully surrounded by family. She will be greatly missed by her family, her church family and many friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, three sons, Kenneth, William and Freddie Lightfoot, one grandson, two great grandsons and four siblings.

She leaves to cherish her memories four children, Mrs. Gracie Lightfoot Mathis, Social Circle, Georgia, Mr. & Mrs. Charles (Clara) Lackey, Mr. & Mrs. Glenn (Annette) Lightfoot, both of Monroe, Georgia, Mr. & Mrs. Anthony (Donna) Shy, Covington, Georgia, daughter-in-laws, Ms. Mary J. Woods, Dayton, Ohio and Ms. Emma Goodwin Lightfoot, Monroe, Georgia, one brother, Mr. Theodore Banks, Atlanta, Georgia, Twenty-Two grandchildren, Forty-Two great grandchildren, Twenty-Three great-great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

## Order of Service

#### Dr. Earle Ifill, Presiding Elder

Processional"I'm No	t Worried about My Soul"Choir
Prayer	Reverend Ahmed Martin
	Reverend Vivian Green
Song	Choir
Resolution	Sister Johnnie Hardy
Reflections	Reverend Charlie Stembridge Reverend J. D. Myatt
Solo	Sister Sharon Stembridge
Family Tribute	Reverend Edwin Beckles
Song	Choir
Eulogy	Reverend Erich V. Fladger
Acknowledgements	Staff of Lester Lackey & Sons
Recessional	

#### **Interment**

Graves Chapel AME Church Cemetery Highway 278 Covington, Georgia

A repast will be held at Cargle Chapel AME Church Fellowship Hall, 300 Poplar Ave. Social Circle, Georgia 30025, following the interment service.