

Beginning of Life
FEBRUARY 5, 1935

Beginning of Rest
SEPTEMBER 1, 2023



A CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR
ALTHEA JEWEL

McDowell

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2023 • 11:00AM

Pinecrest Baptist Church | 507 W. Broad St. | Linden, Texas 75563

Gary P. Duffie, Officiant

TRULY, A *Crowned* JEWEL

Althea Jewel McDowell, affectionately known as "Teet", was born on February 5, 1935—a fraternal twin—to the parents of Alf and Annie Taylor of Lassater, Texas in Marion County.



On September 15, 1964, Althea joined Felton McDowell of Linden, Texas in holy matrimony. Along with being a mother to three biological children, Althea was no stranger to getting her hands dirty on the family's farm and garden as well! Shortly after her marriage to Felton, she moved her membership from Warlock United Methodist Church in Lassater, Texas where she attended church as a child, to Sunrise Missionary Baptist Church where she held the offices of Deaconess, Usher, and head of the Kitchen Committee faithfully until the decline of her health began to compromise her ability to regularly attend and serve during church services and events.

"Teet" lived a long, full, and joyous life, particularly with her husband and children. Truly a woman of many talents, "Teet" also possessed an exceptional green thumb for harvesting and canning vegetables and fruits, planting beautiful flower gardens, along with enjoying the simple things in life such as friendly power walks in the evening with her neighbors and friends.

Althea's parents Alf and Annie Taylor (known by family as "Momma Suga") and seven brothers and sisters preceded her in death: Albert Taylor (Elizabeth, spouse) her fraternal twin, Mary Magdalene Warren (Horace, spouse), Alma Marie Ward (Obie D., spouse), Lottie Mae-Brown, Claudie Taylor (Laura, spouse), Lemmuel Taylor, Willie B. Taylor (Ruth, spouse), and her first-born son Felton Leon (passed at age 10 months old).

She leaves to cherish her memories: Husband Felton McDowell of Linden, Texas, sister Ross Pearl Montgomery of Lone Star, Texas; two biological children Rotunda Renea Morgan (Landa, spouse) of Dallas, Texas, and Alton Dwayne McDowell (Ann, spouse) of Houston, Texas, Janie Ruth McDowell of Garland, Texas, Jimmie Earl McDowell of Dallas, Texas, and Cherlyn Jean Clark of Dallas, Texas; three biological grandchildren Essence Nikol Ford, Walker Reade McDowell, and Warner Clarke McDowell, and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives and friends.

Experience "A Celebration of Life for Althea Jewel McDowell" by visiting www.altheamcdowell.com, or scan the code to view photos and tribute videos, read the full obituary, and more.





THE ORDER OF *Service*

PROCESSIONAL

SONG SELECTION

The Reading of the
OLD TESTAMENT
NEW TESTAMENT

Minister Jimmie Harrison
Salem Missionary Baptist Church

Pastor Robert Sudds
Sunrise Missionary Baptist Church

PRAYER OF COMFORT

SONG SELECTION

RESOLUTIONS

SPECIAL HYMN

REMARKS

Please limit to 2 minutes per speaker

Lady Brenda Ellis
The Potter's House of Dallas, Bishop T.D. Jakes

Sister Peggy Villa
Sunrise Missionary Baptist Church

Deacon Felton McDowell
Sunrise Missionary Baptist Church

VIDEO TRIBUTE

SONG SELECTION

CELEBRATORY MESSAGE

FINAL VIEWING
The Crowning of a Jewel

RECESSIONAL

Reading of the obituary

Lady Brenda Ellis
The Potter's House of Dallas, Bishop T.D. Jakes

Pastor Anthony Castleberry
New Light Missionary Baptist Church



PALLBEARERS

Christopher Stine
Don Taylor
Charles Taylor
Edward Williams

Calvin Taylor
Daniel West
Louis Arthur Taylor
Landa Morgan

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The McDowell Family wishes to extend its sincerest gratitude and deepest appreciation for the outpouring of calls, text messages, prayers, well-wishes, monetary gifts, grief support, assistance, and continuous displays of love during this time. Whether you knew her as Mrs. McDowell, Jewel, or "Teet", you have made an indelible mark in the life of our beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, cherished wife, and friend that will live on through the lives of our family and relatives.

May God continue to keep you and may God bless you.

The Family of Althea McDowell

REPAST RECEPTION

Fairview Community Center
606 County Rd 1625
Linden, Texas 75563

INTERMENT

Salem Missionary Baptist Church
281 County Rd 1754
Linden, Texas 75563

SERVICES ENTRUSTED TO:

Lewis & Walker Funeral Home
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