

POEM OF LIFE

*Life is but a stepping stone, A pause before we make it home,
A simple place to rest and be, Until we reach eternity.
A resting place along the road, A path to take with lots to see,
God guides our steps along the way, But we were never meant to stay.
Our final destination is a place, Filled with love, His majesty and grace.
Today we celebrate the life of a loved one, Who has gone before us,
The race she has won. Her journey has now ended,
Her spirit has ascended, Claiming the great reward,
With Jesus, our Lord.*

by Anon.

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

*Charles Freeman, Jr. James Washington Nicholas Freeman
Calvin Washington Chenet Mitchell Charles Williams*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

*The family of Josie Metz Lockley would like to thank everyone
for their kind expressions. Your phone calls, visits, flowers, thoughts
and prayers have all helped greatly during our time of bereavement.
May God continue to bless each of you, is our prayer.*

INTERMENT

*Greater New Hope Cemetery
104 Tenth St. | Baldwin, LA*

**MK DIXON**
FUNERAL HOME

CELEBRATING
THE LIFE OF

Josie
METZ *Lockley*

SUNRISE:
SEPTEMBER 29, 1939
SUNSET:
APRIL 29, 2026

**SERVICE: MAY 9, 2026
11:00 AM
GREATER NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH
104 Tenth St. | Baldwin, La 70514
Pastor T.J. Andrus, Officiating**

JOSIE LOCKLEY

Josie Metz Lockley, 86, of Baldwin, LA went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, May 28, 2025, at Maison Teche Nursing Home in Jeanerette, LA after a brief illness.

She was known for her kindness, steady spirit, enjoyment of cooking and making that famous "pecan" candy. Josie was faithful in various ministries at Greater New Hope Baptist Church until her health prohibited her contributing and participating in those ministries.

Josie was employed with St. Mary Parish Community Action Agency/Head Start for over 30 years and was a dedicated employee. She loved interacting with young children. She was also a foster parent to many children over the years.

Josie was born to the late Edward and Maude Metz on September 29, 1939 in Markinville, LA. She graduated from Willow Street High School in Franklin, LA., and attended college for a short time.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Freddie "Trigger" Lockley and a son, Leonard; a granddaughter DeAndria; five sisters Josephine, Annie Mae, Thelma, Jessie Mae, Sarah, and three brothers Edward Jr., Elijah and Earl.

She is survived by her brother James Metz (Katherine) of Little Rock AR; three children, Redgy Dean Lewis (Baldwin, LA), Lori "Gooley" Freeman (Charles) of Fort Worth, TX, and Craig "Nucy" Lewis (Sioux Falls, SD); granddaughter, Jessica Daniels (Matt) of Houma LA, Charles "C.J" Freeman, and Nicholas Cole Freeman both of Fort Worth, TX; Travis Craig Lewis, Creighton Dean Ross, Craig Deon Ross, and Cortez Lewis all of Sioux Falls, SD, and great-grandchildren Gabrielle, Tanner and Madison.

In addition, Josie is remembered by many extended family members and friends who will deeply miss her. A very special thanks to the numerous employees of Maison Teche Nursing Home who aided in making her stay comfortable.



Order OF SERVICE

- Processional...Clergy and Family*
- Musical Selection...GNH Praise Team*
- Scripture Readings*
- Old Testament...Rev. Leroy Ceasar*
- New Testament...Pastor James Washington*
- Prayer of Comfort... Pastor James Washington*
- Prayer Chant*
- Musical Selection...GNH Praise Team*
- Church Resolution/s...Greater New Hope*
- Obituary Reading...Linda Jackson*
- Tributes/Special Remarks*
- Church... Sisters of Hope*
- Family...James Metz*
- Grandchildren...Jessica Daniels*
- Inspirational Solo...Pastor T.J. Andrus*
- Eulogy...Pastor T.J. Andrus*
- Recessional*