



To My Beloved Husband, Fred

Even though I am no longer beside you physically, please know that my spirit and my love will remain with you always. The beautiful life we shared, the memories we created, and the love we built together can never be taken away. When the days feel lonely and your heart becomes heavy, remember the joy we shared and know that I am still near. You were not only my husband, you were my companion, my protector, my friend, and the love of my life. Please continue to be strong for Milton, Kinetra, and our entire family. They will need your wisdom, strength, and love

now more than ever. Keep our family close, remind them of the love we shared, and help them carry forward the values we worked so hard to instill. Do not allow grief to overshadow the beautiful years God blessed us to share. Continue living, loving, laughing, and cherishing every moment. Until we meet again, carry me in your heart, just as I will forever carry you in mine.

I will always love you, beyond this life and throughout eternity.
Love, Mary



To My Beloved Children, Milton and Kinetra

Even though I am no longer with you physically, please know that my love will never leave you. I will always be near, watching over you, guiding you, and carrying you in my heart. Remember the love, strength, faith, and values I instilled in both of you. Hold tightly to those lessons and allow them to guide you throughout your lives. Whenever you miss me, look

within your hearts, because that is where a mother's love lives forever.

I am depending on both of you to keep our family together, now more than ever. Love one another, support one another, forgive one another, and remain united through every season of life. Be there for your family and never allow anything to separate the bond you share.

Continue to make me proud, but most importantly, continue to love each other. Although you may not see me, I will always be watching over you and cheering you on.

I love you both, always and forever.
Love, Mama



Pallbearers

Freddie Bottom, Jr. - Jordan McCants - Kaleb Bottom - William Martin
Dexter Martin - Patrick Rice - Mequilito Ragin

Miss Me, But Let Me Go! Until We Meet Again!
Always and Forever in Our Hearts!



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A LIFE OF FAITH. A LEGACY OF LOVE. AN INSPIRATION FOREVER.

HER LEGACY

A CELEBRATION
OF HER LIFE
AND LEGACY

SATURDAY
September 5, 2026
11:00 AM

A LIFE WELL
LIVED
Rooted in Faith.
Led by Love.
Remembered
Forever.

BELOVED
WIFE, MOTHER,
GRANDMOTHER
& FRIEND
Her love was
the heart of
our family.

A LEGACY
THAT LIVES ON
Her values,
her strength,
her spirit—
our guide
always.

FOREVER
Loved
NEVER
FORGOTTEN

Mary Alice
BOTTOM

A BEAUTIFUL LIFE. A LASTING IMPACT.

SUNRISE: MARCH 8, 1949 • SUNSET: AUGUST 14, 2026

In the Sanctuary of
BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Marshallville, GA
Pastor Harrison Head, Eulogist

THE LIFE STORY OF MARY ALICE EVERETT BOTTOM



Mary Alice Everett Bottom, a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, sister, servant, and faithful woman of God, was born on March 8, 1949, to the late Johnnie B. Everett, Sr. and Letha Mae Wright. She was lovingly raised by her beloved great-grandmother, Jody Bell Alexander, whose love, guidance, wisdom, and nurturing presence helped shape the woman Mary Alice would become. The values instilled in her by her family remained evident throughout her life in the way she loved others, served her community, cared for her family, and faithfully served God.

Mary Alice received her education through the public schools of Macon County and was a proud graduate of the

historic D. F. Douglass High School of Montezuma, Georgia, in May 1967. Her education and upbringing instilled in her a deep appreciation for her community and a commitment to serving others.

On August 15, 1967, Mary Alice married her high school sweetheart, Fred C. Bottom, the love of her life and her devoted husband and companion. Together, they built a life grounded in love, family, faith, and commitment. Their marriage was a beautiful testament to enduring love, companionship, and devotion.

For many years, Mary Alice faithfully served the people of Macon County as Assistant Librarian at the Montezuma Public Library, where she dedicated herself to helping children, families, students, and community members with kindness, patience, and genuine care. She was known for her loyalty, dependability, and willingness to serve, treating everyone with dignity and respect. Her years of dedicated service left a lasting impression on generations of library patrons and reflected her deep love for her community. Upon her retirement, she left behind a legacy of service, kindness, and devotion to the people of Macon County.

Above all, Mary Alice was a devoted mother. She cherished her children, Freddie Bottom, Sr. (Felicia) and Kinetra Thrower (Clarence), and took great pride in their lives. Her love for them was unconditional, steadfast, and enduring. She encouraged them, prayed for them, supported them, and treasured every opportunity to share life's precious moments with them.

One of Mary's greatest joys was being a grandmother. Freddie Bottom, Jr., Jordan McCants, and Kaleb Bottom were the young men who brought her so much joy and filled her heart with immeasurable love and pride. She treasured every moment spent with them, and their laughter, conversations, memories, and special occasions became precious treasures in her heart. Mary's love extended beyond her biological grandchildren to the bonus grandchildren she lovingly embraced as her own: DeShawn Mumford, Jontae Harrell (Breanna), Janay Alfred (Perry), Jordan Harrell, and Joshua Harrell.

Mary Alice was also a beloved sister who treasured family and the bonds they shared. She leaves to cherish her beautiful memory of her siblings, Walter (Jocelin) Dodson, Andrew Dodson, Michael (Eloise) Dodson, James (Adlonia) Dodson, Teresa Smith, Joyce Dodson, Shirley Everett, Loretta Everett, Terrance Everett, Melvin Everett,

Jasper (LaTrondra) Everett, and Zackery Bonds; brother-in-laws; Tommy Bottom (Daria), Lynn Knight; sister-in-laws, Ella Postell, Earlene Greene (Walter), Mary Ann Sands, Monica Morris (Melvin), Anna Wallace (Eddie), and Pennie Skinner; stepmother-in-law, Priscilla Bottom.

She was preceded in death by her beloved siblings, Henry Everett, Morris White, Veronica Everette, Johnnie B. Everett, Jr., and Fabian Jefferson. Their memories remained a cherished part of the family she loved so dearly.

Faith was at the center of Mary's life. As a faithful member of Bethel Baptist Church, Mary Alice served with love, humility, and dedication as a Deaconess and Sunday School Teacher. She also faithfully supported the Youth Department, where she looked forward to assisting with special programs and activities for the young people. Through her teaching, encouragement, and willingness to serve, she touched many lives and demonstrated that her faith was not merely something she professed, but something she lived.

Mary Alice's life was characterized by faith, family, service, loyalty, and love. She was the kind of person whose impact could often be found not in grand gestures, but in the countless small acts of kindness she extended to others. She gave of herself freely, loved her family deeply, served her church faithfully, and devoted much of her life to making her community a better place.

To know Mary Alice was to know someone who valued people. She believed in family, community, faith, and service. Whether she was helping someone at the library, teaching a Sunday School lesson, serving as a Deaconess, supporting the Youth Department, encouraging her children, spending time with her grandsons, or simply sharing a conversation with someone she loved, she gave people her genuine attention and care.

Her earthly journey may have come to an end, but the legacy she leaves behind is everlasting. Her influence will continue through her husband, children, grandchildren, siblings, extended family, church family, friends, former colleagues, and the many citizens of Macon County whose lives she touched throughout the years.

Mary Alice will be remembered for her loving heart, quiet strength, unwavering loyalty, dedication to her community, devotion to her family, commitment to her church, and the joy she found in being a mother and grandmother.

She leaves behind memories that cannot be replaced and a legacy that cannot be forgotten. The love she gave, the lessons she taught, the lives she touched, and the service she rendered will continue to speak long after her departure from this earthly life.

Though we mourn her absence, we celebrate the beautiful life she lived and the many blessings she brought to those fortunate enough to know and love her.

Mary Alice Everett Bottom has completed her earthly assignment. She served her family, her church, and her community with faithfulness and love. Now, she rests from her labor.

“Well done, thy good and faithful servant.”



The Celebration

ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional Led by Ministers & Family

PRAYER OF COMFORT

Pastor Harrison Head, Jr.

OLD & NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READINGS

Pastor Victor Johnson

INSPIRATIONAL SELECTION

Minister Dexter Davis

SWEET MEMORIES OF MARY ALICE

Deacon William Phelps

MEMORIAL TRIBUTE

Bethel Baptist Church Sunday School Ministry

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Pastor Harrison Head, Jr.

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