



In Appreciation

Jesus promised us they who mourned would be comforted. During our hours of bereavement this promise has been fulfilled by you, our kind and loving "Friends and Neighbors." Thank you each for coming to help us bear our grief. Your calls, visits, prayers, kindness in acts and deeds during the passing of our loved one shall never be forgotten. May God bless and keep each of you.

The Myrtis Dawson Family

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The Celebration of Life

for our beloved



Mother Myrtis Dawson

Saturday | July 18, 2026 | 11:00 AM

J. W. Williams Funeral Home Chapel

407 West 17th Avenue | Cordele, Georgia

Reverend David Watts | Officiant
Pastor | Piney Grove Baptist Church | Vienna, Georgia

Escort Courtesy of
The City of Cordele
Public Safety Department

The Obituary

Mother Myrtis Dawson, a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and matriarch, was born on August 29, 1932, in Vienna, Georgia. Daughter of Oliver Dawson and Leola Battle Dawson, she was raised and educated in the public schools of Dooly County, Georgia.

From a young age, Myrtis was a devoted member of Piney Grove Baptist Church, where she remained an active participant throughout her life. Her faith was an integral part of her identity and provided her with strength and guidance.

In 1946, Myrtis married W. C. Dawson, and together they built a life filled with love and laughter until his passing in November 1999. Their union was blessed with 12 children—eight girls and four boys—who became the center of her world.

Myrtis Dawson was a woman who cherished the simple joys of life. She had a passion for sewing, fishing, and spending quality time with her family. Her love for crossword puzzles and shopping added to her vibrant personality. An extraordinary cook and baker, she was known for her delicious meals that brought her family together.

Her life was a testament to the beauty of simplicity, the strength of family bonds, and the enduring power of love. Her spirit will forever be remembered and cherished by all who knew her.

Mother Myrtis Dawson passed away on July 12, 2026, leaving behind a legacy of love and cherished memories. She was preceded in death by her husband, W. C. Dawson; her parents, Oliver and Leola Dawson; her sons, Larry C. Dawson and Jerome Dawson; and her siblings, Willie Mae Youngblood, Elizabeth Jones, J. C. Dawson, Willie Dawson, L. W. Dawson, Bubba Dawson, and Jack Dawson.

Her memory lives on through her loving and devoted children: Irma Jean Dawson of College Park, Georgia, Edna Jean Dawson of Cordele, Georgia, Eddie L. Dawson of Cordele, Georgia, Betty Walker of Cordele, Georgia, Angierome Bennett (Henry) of Cordele, Georgia, Inez Evans (Fred) of Cordele, Georgia M. C. Dawson (Shirley) of Dallas, Georgia, Dianne Dawson of Cordele, Georgia, Lisa Alford (Derodney) of Lithia Springs, Georgia, and Felicia Adams (Roderick) of Locust Grove, Georgia; her beloved and caring grandchildren, Chandra Green, Larabia Dawson, Latricia Gibbs, Fonta Dawson, Carome Clark, Justin Walker, Tyrongela Finely, April Dawson, Jerome Dawson, Jr., Antorinia Dawson, Quanneisha Perry, Montay Evans, La'Kia Adams, Alexis Finley, Akia Adams, Jaela Bennett, DeRodney Alford, Jr., Darius Alford, and Monica Dawson; 21 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and many sorrowing friends.

Mother



*Our Mother, a beautiful person inside and out,
Strong, courageous, and willing to share.
Whatever we needed, you were always there,
Always listening with a loving heart,
With warm kisses and smiles.*

*Even when you were tired, you kept moving on,
Incredible and amazing in everything you did.*

*Mother, you will forever live on in
our hearts and minds;*

*You will most definitely be missed forever.
Mother, we love you, but until we meet again*

*On heaven's floor, where the streets
are paved with gold and gleaming bright,
You are now in the loving arms of GOD,
so we must say goodnight.*

— By Dianne Dawson

The Order of Service

Reverend David Watts
Officiant

Musical Prelude
Sister Robin Jones

Processional
Led by Reverend David Watts

The Final Viewing
The Final Closing of the Casket

Prayer of Comfort
Reverend David Watts

Scriptures
Old Testament | Pastor Chandra Green
New Testament | Minister Veronda Roddy

Musical Selection
Deacon Kenneth Smith

Family and Friends Reflections
(Limit Two Minutes Each, Please)

Musical Selection
Pastor Rosa Sanford

Eulogy
Reverend David Watts

**Acknowledgements , Heirloom Bible
and Memorial Blanket Presentation**
J. W. Williams Funeral Home Staff

Recessional & Postlude



The Committal Service

Vienna City Cemetery
Vienna,, Georgia

The family will receive friends at
The Gillespie-Selden Building
West 15th Avenue & North 12th Street
Cordele, Georgia
immediately following the committal service.