

# Memories



# Pallbearers

Deacons of Second Calvary Baptist Church

# Floral Bearers

Deaconesses of Second Calvary Baptist Church

# The Broken Chain

We little knew that morning,  
 that God was going to call your name.  
 In life we loved you, dearly,  
 in death, we do the same.  
 It broke our hearts to lose you,  
 but you didn't go alone;  
 For part of us went with you  
 the day God called you home.  
 You left us peaceful memories,  
 your love is still our guide.  
 And though we cannot see you,  
 you are always at our side.  
 Our family chain is broken,  
 and nothing seems the same.  
 But as God calls us one by one,  
 the Chain will link again.  
 We love and miss you ever so much.

# Acknowledgement

We, the family of Deaconess Mary Louise Boseman McAfee, wish to express our heartfelt and sincere appreciation for the many acts of kindness, encouraging words, and expressions of sympathy during this most difficult time. Thank you so much for keeping us in your prayers. We also would like to thank the staff at Life Care Center of Columbia for taking care of our loved one during her stay. May the Lord God continue to bless each of you.

*A Service of Remembrance  
 Celebrating the Life  
 of  
 Deaconess Mary Louise  
 Boseman McAfee*



*Thursday, September 4, 2025  
 11:00 a.m.*

*Second Calvary Baptist Church  
 1110 Mason Road  
 Columbia, South Carolina*

*Reverend Alex Nelson  
 -Officiating-*

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# Obituary of Deaconess Mary Louise Boseman McAfee

Deaconess Mary Louise Boseman McAfee was born May 18, 1933, in Belton South Carolina. She was the third of nine children born to the late Aaron Boseman, Sr. and Ilove Clinkscales Boseman. She departed this earthly life on Monday, August 25, 2025.

Mary was a graduate of Geer-Gantt High School in Belton, SC, located in Anderson County. She received a B.S. Degree in Education from South Carolina State University and a master's degree in Librarianship from the University of South Carolina. She served as a school librarian in the public schools of South Carolina on the elementary, middle and high school levels, in the counties of Greenwood, Marion and Richland.

While at Denny Terrace Elementary School, Columbia, SC, Mary developed and instituted the first program of non-scheduled use of the library for elementary students. This program was featured in a film produced by SC Educational Television entitled "The Swinging Door", which became a model for other schools in the district and state. The film was used over the state to showcase the functions of a non-scheduled library program.

During the spring of 1980, Mary was released as librarian at Denny Terrace to coordinate and write a Curriculum Guide on the Content Areas, K-12th Grades for Richland District One Schools. After fifteen years in this position, she retired.

Mrs. McAfee was selected Teacher of the Year twice while at Denny Terrace Elementary School. She taught in higher education at Winthrop College School of Education; University of South Carolina, College of Library and Information Science; served as Interim Director of the library at Benedict College (1996-97) and as Coordinator of Archives at Benedict College, the Historical Collection.

Mrs. McAfee has served on numerous boards and committees. She served two terms on the Trustee Board of Richland County Public Library and one term as Vice Chair (1982-2000); served as chairperson of the Retired Section of the South Carolina Association of School Librarians (1994-2004) and served on the Southern Association Evaluation Committee to evaluate the school districts of Cheraw, Pickens, Oconee and Marion. She also served as chairperson of the School Library Section of The South Carolina Governor's Conference (Gov. Riley) on Libraries and Information Science (1977-79) and was South Carolina's elected delegate to represent school libraries at the White House Conference on Libraries and Information Science, Washington, D.C. (1997).

She was a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, the American Library Association, and the National Education Association.

Deaconess McAfee dedicated her life to Christ at an early age and was baptized at Welfare Baptist Church, Belton, SC. After relocating to Columbia, SC, she became a member of Second Calvary Baptist Church, where she was a devoted and dedicated member. She served on numerous church committees and organizations. She served as church librarian and as a church schoolteacher of fourth and fifth graders. She was a deaconess and served as treasurer of the Deaconess Board. She also served in the following auxiliaries: the New Member's Committee, Missionary Society, Willing Helpers, Golden Eagles, Outreach Committee and the Historical Preservation Committee. Deaconess McAfee believed that God wants us to be consistent in

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carrying out His work and she held fast to " I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me."(Phil 4:13) She was a faithful member until she encountered health challenges and limited mobility.

In addition to her parents, Deaconess McAfee was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 57 years, Deacon Charles L McAfee; stepmothers, Daisy Simmons Boseman and Ola Bell Scott Boseman; brothers, Reverend Tony L Boseman, Roger Boseman, Aaron Boseman, Jr., Lucius Boseman, and Milton Boseman; sisters, Loretta Boseman, Patricia Boseman Gillespie and Evelyn Wilkes.

Deaconess Mary Louise Boseman McAfee is survived by her daughter, Karen R (Xavier) Bailey, of Columbia, SC; son, Charles L McAfee, II, of Columbia, SC; brother, Leroy (Carolyn) Boseman, of Anderson, SC; sisters-in-law, Katherine Blondell Boseman, of Anderson, SC, Bessie Lee Boseman, of Belton, SC; grandchildren, Zachary McAfee, Gabrielle McAfee, Joshua Bailey, Caleb Bailey; great-grandchild, Jayloneii Amora Johnson Bailey; godson, Toney E Thompson; goddaughter, Amanda Williams; a special next door neighbor who was like a daughter, Angela Permenter; and a host of other loving relatives and caring friends, all of whom will miss her.

## A Service of Remembrance

- Musical Prelude....."His Eye Is On The Sparrow".....Dr. Ramelle Brooks
- Processional
- Viewing.....Funeral Directors
- Opening Hymn.....Second Calvary Baptist Church Choir  
"God Never Fails"
- Old Testament.....Dr. Bobby Cunningham, Interim Pastor  
Isaiah 25:6-9
- New Testament.....Reverend Joseph Hood, Sr.  
John 14:1-6
- Prayer.....Deacon Charles Ashe, Sr.
- Musical Selection.....Musician
- Remarks.....Mrs. Ida Thompson, Friend  
Mrs. Ruth Gold, Friend  
Ms. Letia Boseman, Niece  
Deacon Donald Logan, Sr., Family Deacon
- Missionary Ministry Resolution.....Sister Nicole Walton
- Musical Selection.....Musician
- Words of Comfort.....Reverend Alex Nelson
- Recessional
- Postlude



## Committal, Benediction and Interment

1:00 p.m.  
Fort Jackson National Cemetery  
4170 Percival Road  
Columbia, South Carolina

