



Mary Lizzie Foster Freeman

February 21, 1932 - March 27, 2023

Celebration of Life Services for Mary L. Freeman will be held on Saturday, April 8, 2023 at 11AM. These services will be recorded and streamed live. If the event is interrupted at any time due to technical issues, the entire event will be uploaded and available to view later in the day. Please copy and paste the link to share, or simply click on the link to view the event.

<https://vimeo.com/event/3251084>

Mary Lizzie Foster Freeman was born on February 21st, 1932, in Jackson, Georgia, to William Foster, Sr., and Cleola Vaughn Foster, both of whom preceded her in death. She received her final Passport stamp from her earthly home to her eternal dwelling in Heaven on March 27th, 2023, at the Piedmont Fayette Hospital in Fayetteville, Georgia.

Mary was vibrant and outgoing, with a very friendly demeanor, and she never met a stranger. She traveled the world by land, sea, and air, making sure her Passport remained current. She often spoke of her many travels to places such as Bermuda, Aruba, and Jamaica, where even through these ventures she managed to make new acquaintances. Her generosity and supportive nature stretched beyond her family and friends, as she was willing to lend a helping hand to others far and near.

She attended primary and secondary school at a Rosenwald school, which was constructed to educate Black children in the South and graduated from the Henry County Training School in McDonough, Georgia. After graduating from high school, she attended the Cannolene Beauty College in Atlanta, Georgia, where she received an Associate Degree in Cosmetology and Barbering in May 1950.

In addition to her work as a hair professional, she was employed with Crompton-Highland Mills in Griffin, Georgia, and JCPenney in Forest Park, Georgia. Upon her retirement after over 20 years with JCPenney, she accepted a supervisory position with the Federal government, assisting senior citizens who were seeking employment within the community.

She was a faithful servant of God and joined the Philadelphia Baptist Church in Locust Grove, Georgia, at an early age; she served on the Usher Board for many years and remained a member until her death. She devoted her life to her family, friends, church, and community and often volunteered with the Henry County Board of Elections and Voting Registration, assisting individuals in registering to vote.

She was married to the late Charles Lyndbergh Miller in 1950, and in 1958, she married the late Fred Freeman. She was the eldest of six children born from the union of William and Cleola Foster Sr.: the late William Foster, Jr., Willie Mae McDaniel, the late Thomas Foster, Ruby Kate Ivory, and Horace Foster.

Even with all her accomplishments, nothing mattered more to Mary than her children. She adamantly expressed to them the power of knowledge gained through education and work, along with being accountable and moving forward into a better tomorrow. She traveled thousands of miles, sometimes weekly, supporting her children as they sang in various church choirs and

gospel groups.

She was a devoted and caring mother who was preceded in death by her son, Anthony Lamar Freeman. She leaves to mourn her passing children: James Edward Miller of Bay City, Texas; Lorenza (Carol) Miller of Locust Grove, Georgia; Patricia Ann Miller of Jonesboro, Georgia; Myra Delores Freeman-Walker of Jonesboro, Georgia; Reverend Michael Jerome (Deatra) Freeman of Woodstock, Georgia; Miriam Teresa Pierce of Stockbridge, Georgia; Nathaniel (Michelle) Freeman of Needville, Texas; and Cassandra (Harold) Galloway of Hampton, Georgia. She leaves to cherish her memory 12 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Previous Events

Viewing

APR 7. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral Home - McDonough Chapel
300 Griffin Street
McDonough, GA 30253
(770) 957-4337
info@wdlemonfuneralhome.com

Service

APR 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Interment

APR 8 (ET)

Eastlawn Memorial Park
640 McGarity Rd.
McDonough, GA 30252

Tribute Wall



“ *W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mary Lizzie Foster Freeman*



W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral Home - April 04, 2023 at 09:03 AM

KS

Sending love to your beautiful family. Ms. Mary raised such beautiful people. Love and prayers.

Kristin Siembieda - April 06, 2023 at 09:36 PM



“ *2 files added to the album Program*



W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral Home - April 10, 2023 at 07:03 AM

KF

“ *Kelynn Burdine Foster lit a candle in memory of Mary Lizzie Foster Freeman*



Kelynn Burdine Foster - April 08, 2023 at 11:34 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Lizzie Foster Freeman.*



April 07, 2023 at 09:53 AM



“ *Mrs. Mary was always so supportive of all the teachers at Conley Hills. She sent us treats to lift our spirits. Her children are so wonderful and generous. I remember celebrating with them for Pat's retirement. My prayers go out to this lovely family.*

Kristin Siembieda - April 06, 2023 at 09:45 PM



“ *Sending or Prayers and Condolences to you and your Family. From The Barnes Family.*



LaGreta Barnes Greene - April 06, 2023 at 09:22 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Lizzie Foster Freeman.*



April 06, 2023 at 12:10 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Mary Lizzie Foster Freeman.



April 06, 2023 at 09:11 AM



“ Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Mary Lizzie Foster Freeman.



April 05, 2023 at 03:09 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Lizzie Foster Freeman.



April 04, 2023 at 07:00 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Lizzie Foster Freeman.



April 04, 2023 at 10:22 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Lizzie Foster Freeman.*



April 03, 2023 at 10:15 PM



“ *Houston Aircraft Instruments, Inc. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mary Lizzie Foster Freeman.*



Houston Aircraft Instruments, Inc. - April 03, 2023 at 06:49 PM



“ *Eston Slacks & Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mary Lizzie Foster Freeman.*



Eston Slacks & Family - April 03, 2023 at 06:48 PM



“ *Greater Bethel Church, Woodstock, GA purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mary Lizzie Foster Freeman.*



Greater Bethel Church, Woodstock, GA - April 02, 2023 at 07:53 AM

MA

“ *MARGARET lit a candle in memory of Mary Lizzie Foster Freeman*



MARGARET - March 29, 2023 at 09:05 PM

PH

“ *I always enjoyed seeing Mrs. Freeman at Conley Hills and other events. She was feisty and fun, and adored by her family and friends. My deepest condolences to the Miller/Freeman family at this sad time.*

Patricia Hale

Patricia Hale - March 29, 2023 at 06:39 PM