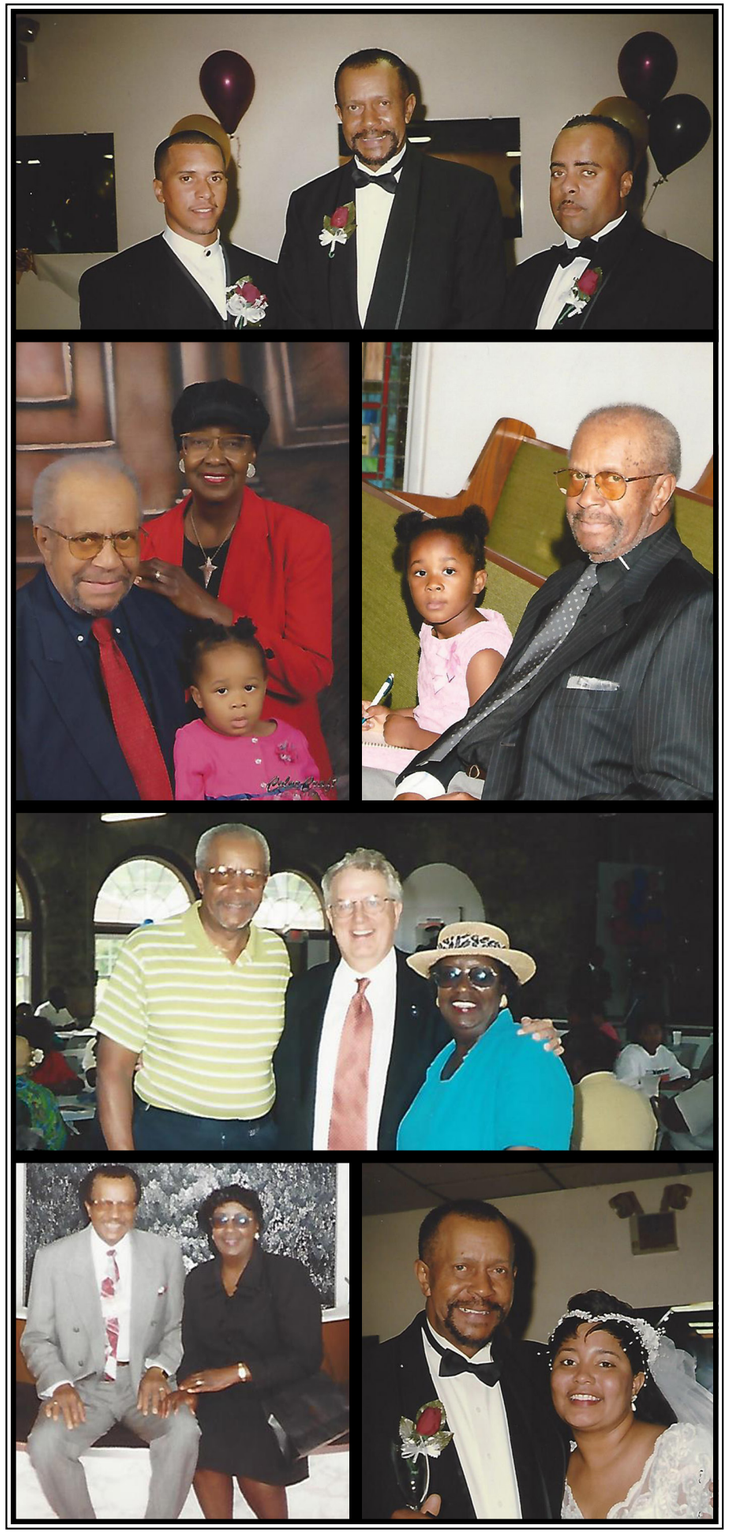

Pallbearers
Nephews

Flower Bearers
Nieces

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free. I'm following the path God has laid, you see. I took His hand when I heard him call, I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day; to laugh, to love, to work, to play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void, then fill it with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss; Oh yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much, good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief. Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your hearts and peace to thee, God wanted me now; He set me free.

Acknowledgements

The family would like to say, thank you, thank you, thank you. Words cannot be expressed, enough gratitude cannot be shown; but in our heart of hearts and our spirit and soul, we thank you for all of your deeds, your encouraging words, gifts, hugs, visits, prayers, conversations and calls. But more importantly we thank God for giving us the gift of Family and Friends during our hour of bereavement. We also give special thanks to the Medical Staff at the Augusta University Medical Center. May God continue to bless each of you.

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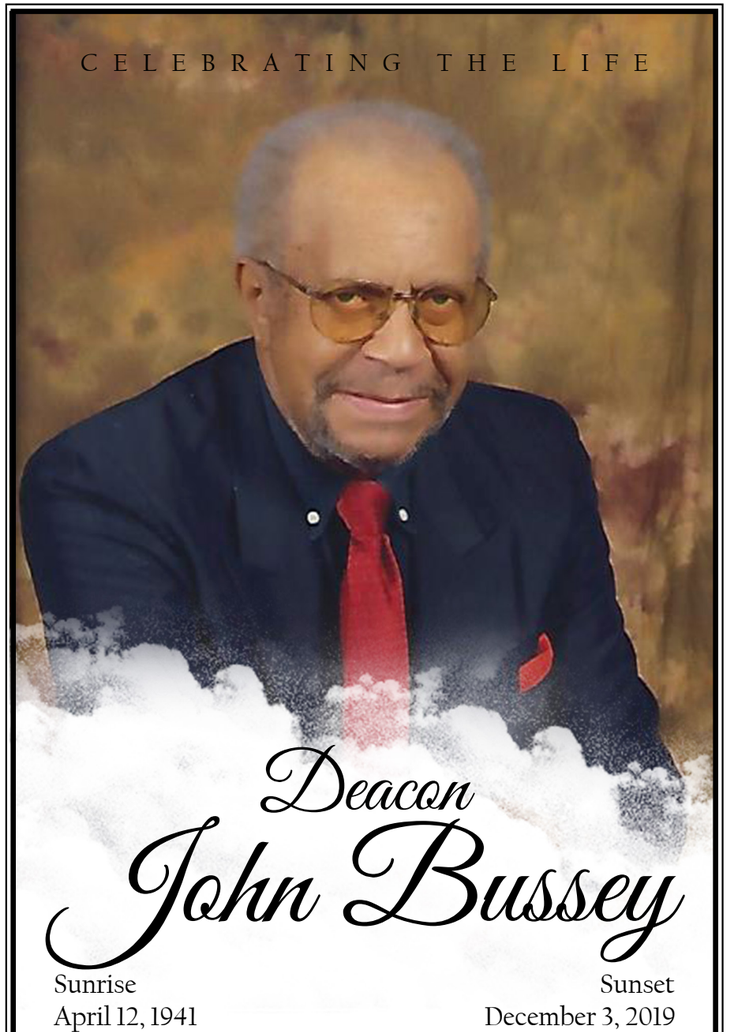

Deacon John Bussey

Sunrise
April 12, 1941

Sunset
December 3, 2019

Monday, December 9, 2019
1:00 P.M.

NEWBERRY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
5810 Double Branches Road
Lincolnton, Georgia

Reverend Willie J. White - Officiating
Pastor Karlton Howard - Presiding

The Obituary

"In the day when I cried thou answeredst me, and strengthenedst me with strength in my soul." Psalm 138:3

John Bussey was born on April 12, 1941, in Lincoln County, Georgia. On Tuesday, December 3, 2019, at the Augusta University Medical Center, the Lord whispered, "Come my Child" and he quietly answered the Master's call.

John accepted Christ at an early age at the Newberry Missionary Baptist Church. He served as Vice Chairman of the Deacon Ministry and sang with the Male Chorus.

John received his early education in Lincoln County and Richmond County. He graduated from Lucy Craft Laney High School in 1961. His early employment included Coburn Furniture Company and Castleberry's Food Company. Truck driving was the love of his career, he became a long-distance truck driver and worked untiringly until his health failed.

John was preceded in death by his parents, Milledge and Julia Harris Bussey; siblings, Milledge, Jr., Namon, James, Cleveland, Estee, Roy, Walter, Fannie Elam, Rosa Leverett and Pearl Davis.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his wife, Julia Johnson Bussey; two sons, Kirby (DeeDee) Bussey of Augusta, GA and Kelcey (Sabrina) Bussey of Richmond, VA; daughter, Navaeh Tucker; two brothers, Reverend William Bussey and Deacon Willie Moses Bussey; eight grandchildren: Chance, Morgan, Kavarus, Shane, Julian, Joshua, Kalandria and TJ; one great-grandchild; goddaughter, Marty Bennett; six sisters-in-law, Rebecca Bussey and Mary L. Bussey of Augusta, GA, Catherine Colman of Rosedale, NY, Annie Lee Johnson and Lillie Mae Brown of Brooklyn, NY and Mary White of Springfield Gardens, NY; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Silent Strong Dad

He never looks for praises,

he's never one to boast;

He just goes on quietly working,

for those he loves the most.

His dreams are seldom spoken,

his wants are very few;

And most of the time his worries,

Will go unspoken too.

He's there.... A firm foundation,

Through all our storms of life;

A sturdy hand to hold to,

In times of stress and strife.

A true friend we can turn to,

When times are good or bad;

One of our greatest blessings,

The man that we call Dad.

The Order of Service

Processional

Scriptures ..... Reverend Felix Bussey
Old and New Testaments

Prayer ..... Reverend Gilbert Howard

Selection ..... Newberry Baptist Church Male Chorus

Reflections
- Neighbor ..... Sister Jean Jackson
- Deacon ..... Deacon Jesse Elam
- Tribute In Song ..... Kirby Bussey

Selection ..... Newberry Baptist Church Male Chorus

Acknowledgements ..... Sister Bertha Hill

Solo ..... Sherrie Leverett

Eulogy ..... Reverend Willie J. White

Recessional

Interment ..... Newberry Baptist Church Cemetery

. . . Repast . . .
Newberry Baptist Church
Fellowship Hall