



Obituary

Born: Saturday, August 24, 1935

Died: Thursday, July 25, 2019

A Celebration of Victory

Remembering the Life, Love and Legacy of

Service Summary

Visitation

6:00 PM to 7:00 PM, Fri Aug 02, 2019

Adams-Buggs Funeral Service ~ Etowah Chapel

401 N. 9th Street
Gadsden, AL 35901

Mr. Eddie James Morgan

Our Beloved Father, Grandfather, Great-Grandfather,
Brother, and Uncle

Homegoing Celebration

3:00 PM Sat Aug 03, 2019

Bethlehem Baptist Church

1401 Emanuel Avenue
Gadsden, Alabama 35904

“The days of our years are three-score and ten; and if by
reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their
strength, labor and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly
away”

Psalm 90:10

A Tribute to the Life of

Mr. Eddie James Morgan

A Time to Be Born

Mr. Eddie James Morgan was born on Saturday,
August 24, 1935 in Waverly (rural) Chambers County,
Alabama, to the union of the late Mr. Theodis Morgan and
Mrs. Annie Johnson Morgan-Drake. His step-father, Mr.
Hollis W. Drake was also instrumental in his development.
As the eldest of seven children born to this union, Eddie
James perfectly embodied the meaning of his name
“Protector”. He was well revered and admired among his
parents, grandparents and siblings and always ensured their
well-being.

A Time to Plant

Recognizing Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior,

the Morgan Family attended the Mt. Traveler Missionary Baptist Church of Waverly, Alabama. Eddie James received Christ at an early age and was baptized by the late Rev. T.J. Askew. Upon their move to Gadsden, the Morgan Family united with the Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Rev. Owens. As an adult, Eddie James became active in the church, serving Christ faithfully as a member of the Laymen's Board and Adult Usher Board until his health began to fail. Though he was unable to serve, he attended service until he became unable to drive due to blindness. However, his love for his church and for his Lord did not stop. He often spoke of his church and the memories of many of the members who have now been called home to be with the Lord. Additionally, throughout the years, he held membership in the Masonic organization and various civic and community organizations.

A Time to Love

He was united in Holy Matrimony to the former Doris Ann Stokes on February 24, 1960. They were blessed with 53 years of marriage until she was called home to be with the Lord on August 7, 2013. Their union was blessed with nine children, twentyone grandchildren and twenty-six great-grandchildren.

A Time to Mend

To his family and community, Eddie James was the "Jack of All Trades". There was very little that he did not know how to do. He could often be found working on cars, repairing roofs, mowing lawns, pouring concrete and performing other "handyman" duties. He and Doris Ann took pride in their home and worked hard to provide a haven for their family. Professionally, he worked for over thirty years as a roofer and lumberjack before his retirement.

A Time to Embrace

Eddie James loved being in the presence of his family. He believed in family and was a supporter and regular attendee of the Morgan-Guice-Johnson Family Reunion until the time of his terminal illness. Being one of few words, and a quiet spirit, he found enjoyment in just seeing everyone together, enjoying one another. Particularly in retirement years, he dedicated much of his time to being involved in the lives of his grandchildren. From dropping them off at school, to attending sporting events, and in later years, graduations, Eddie James played a vital role in each of their lives. Many recall memories of his favorite pastimes which included but are not limited to: playing Solitaire alone on the bed, watching Old Westerns and the greatest of them all—cheering on his favorite baseball team, The Atlanta Braves of which we was an avid fan.

A Time to Die

On Thursday, the 25th of July, Eddie submitted to the voice of the Lord and exchanged time for eternity in the comfort of his own home. When Jesus called, Eddie was listening for his name. The Lord, in His infinite wisdom, called his oldest sister, Jimmie Ruth Morgan Rodgers home, just three days before his passing. They were born three days apart (in different years) and passed away three days apart. The number three represents completeness and wholeness
-To God be the Glory!

He was preceded in death by his loving wife, Mrs. Doris Ann Stokes Morgan; his parents, Mr. Theodis (Fannie) Morgan and Mrs. Annie (Hollis) Drake; brothers, Otis Morgan, Clifford Morgan, Edward Morgan, Robert Lee Morgan, Robert E. Morgan; sisters, Jimmie Ruth Morgan Rodgers and Marie Wycoff. He has now transitioned to a place where pain and sorrow are no more and sickness is non-existent. "It is finished."

A Time to Mourn

There is a void in our family, but we look forward to the great reunion in paradise. "What a happy it will be! What a glorious jubilee! All of heaven will be there; what a meeting in the air!" Eddie James' healing is now complete.

A Time to Celebrate

Those left to cherish his memories and continue his legacy; **Four loving sons**, Mr. Ricky J. Morgan, Gadsden, AL, Mr. Patrick Morgan, Chattanooga, TN, Mr. Stefan Morgan and Mr. Donald (Jeronda) Morgan, both of Guntersville, AL; **Five loving daughters**, Mrs. Alisa Morgan Termon, Gadsden, AL, Mrs. Becky (Herman) Morgan Hires, Alabaster, AL, Ms. Denise Morgan, Ms. Chetina Morgan and Ms. Rhonda Morgan, all of Gadsden, AL; **Twenty loving grandchildren; Twenty-six loving great-grandchildren; Ten sisters**, Jessie (Rev. Bill) Rutledge, Cleveland, OH, Catherine (Randy) BeBee, Gray, GA, Patricia Johnson, Atlanta, GA, Linda Ware, Camp Hill, Alabama, Beulah Scott, Macon, GA, Rosa Hughley, Alexandria City, AL, Barbara Morgan, New Orleans, LA, Willa Dean (Timothy) Swain, Buffalo, NY, Debra Ann Johnson, Camp Hill, AL, Yvonne Morgan, Naples, FL; Two brothers-in-law; Mr. Willie (Louise) Stokes, Sr., Mr. Raymond Stokes, both of Gadsden, AL; Special godson, Mr. Christopher "Chili" Coleman and a host of many nieces, nephews and dear friends who are too numerous to list.

Funeral Service for Eddie Morgan is 3:00p.m. Saturday, August 3, 2019 at Bethlehem Baptist Church, Rev. Daryl Davis, Pastor, Min. Donald Morgan, Eulogist. Interment will follow at Rainbow Memorial Gardens. Visitation with the family will be 6:00p.m.- 7:00p.m. Friday, August 2, 2019 at the Etowah Chapel of Adams-Buggs Funeral Service. Signature Service by Adams-Buggs Funeral Service, "Competent Service You Have Come To Know And Trust."