



## April Louise Bates McClendon

August 30, 1964 - December 20, 2016

Life Celebration of April Louise Bates-McClendon, affectionally known as (Baby Girl). April was born on August 30, 1964, to Prophetess Laura Mae Bates of Atlanta, Georgia. She graduated best all-around student from Luther Judson Price High School in 1982. April accepted Christ at an early age. In the faith of God's loving and enlighten way April was a member of Bethel Outreach Deliverance Ministries under the leadership of the Prophetess Amber Jean Barber. In 1988, April exchanged vows with Apostle Jeffrey McClendon and to that union three children were born. She continues to walk with her husband through her Christian faith at Open Door Outreach Center under Apostle Mary D. Lawrence. April was ordained in 1992 in ministry and served with her husband for many years as co-pastor. April's life quest validated the ministry in entrepreneurship, in volunteering and in mentoring. April steps were ordered by the Lord and he delighted in her as a woman of God.

April believe that she was commissioned to inspire and empower this generation to change. April ministry was all about edifying others, exhortation others and encouraging others. She accomplished her mission by providing the roles of a model, a mentor and a help to the body of Christ by focusing on her assignments. As April worked in this life she amplified many.

Not only was April a Woman of God, a wife, a mother of three and a friend to many. April was professional that lead her to work in the office as an administrator and supporter with Delta Airlines. This role called her to be a

pillar to many agencies throughout Atlanta and abroad. April was an exceptional woman and a dedicated employee “those who knew April loved her”. She attended Clark Atlanta University and later received her Bachelor of Business Degree from Strayer University in Morrow, Georgia.

April departed this life on Tuesday, December 20, 2016. She is survived by one daughter Abriel, two sons Joel and Arron, one grandson Princeton and god daughter Sheina Sneed, mother Prophetess Laura Mae Bates, sister Valerie (Bernard) Turner, Demetrius (Sondia) Bates, Thaddeus (Jeanne) Bates, and four other siblings; Dexter, Elvin, Ethel Mae, and Susan. Two Uncles: Apostle Jesse Bates, James & Phyllis Bates, Four Aunties: Prophetess Bobbie Paggett, Missionary Betty Mabry, Rose Way & Gaynell Bilal. Two Neices: Nicole Randolph & DeNetra Bates and a host of other relatives/ friends. April was preceded in death by her father Leroy Foreman Sr., Paternal grandparents Mr. & Mrs. Early and Ethel Foreman Maternal grandparents Mr. & Mrs. Jesse Sr. and Louise Bates, three brothers Collis Foreman, Leroy Foreman Jr, Dewitt Foreman.

Funeral: Thursday, December 29, 2016, 12NOON Greenforest Church, 3250 Rainbow Dr., Decatur, GA., 30034 Visitation: Wednesday, December 28, 2016 10AM-8PM with family hour 6PM-8PM

Burial: Kennedy Memorial Gardens

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **28**. 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

South DeKalb Chapel  
4347 Flat Shoals Pkwy.  
Decatur, GA 30034  
(404) 241-5656  
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# Tribute Wall

JB

“ In this difficult time in your life, may you find comfort in God’s word, the Bible. James 4:8 encourages; “Draw close to God, and He will draw close to you.”

J Baker - January 17, 2017 at 06:50 AM

MG

“ She was a beautiful person with a radiant smile. May God be with her family at this difficult time.

Melissa Garrett - December 29, 2016 at 12:28 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of April Louise Bates McClendon.



December 28, 2016 at 04:58 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of April Louise Bates McClendon.



December 28, 2016 at 10:44 AM

VT

“ Dear Family and Friends,  
I offer you my sincere condolences on the death of your dear loved one. I pray that Jehovah God (Ps 83:18) grant you peace and comfort during this time of great sorrow. -Matthew 5:4

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**Val Taylor** - December 27, 2016 at 12:05 PM

JH

“ DEEPEST SYMPATHY!!! - MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS AND STRENGTHEN THIS FAMILY DURING THEIR TIME OF BEREAVEMENT! MY PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU ALL!!! APRIL WAS TRULY A JEWEL!!!

*Jackie Holt  
Price High c/o 81*

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**Jackie Holt** - December 26, 2016 at 06:39 PM

GW

“ When April McClendon y always come to Deliverance Church . She always had a smile on her face she always had her hair done all the time she was beautiful inside and out I always had a kind word for me..... is the world lost but heaven gained..... my prayers go out to the family as well as Apostille Jeffrey McClendon..



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**Gerald Weaver** - December 26, 2016 at 05:00 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of April Louise Bates McClendon.



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December 25, 2016 at 10:36 PM



“ My deepest sympathy goes out to April's family. She and I started our career at Delta at the same time. We were in the same class and became very good friends. She had so much love to give to all. No one was ever a stranger with her. I will cherish my memories. May God bless you and keep you in His loving care during this time.  
Marjorie Todd-Speight and Family



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**Marjorie Todd Speight** - December 22, 2016 at 12:33 AM



“ Jesus encourages us... "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Exercise faith in God. Exercise faith also in me." ~John 14:1. God empowered Jesus to resurrect dead ones when he was on the earth, giving us evidence of what he will do on a global scale in the future. Jesus assures us... "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who exercises faith in me, even though he dies, will come to life." ~John 11:25. My condolences to you all...



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**B. Parks** - December 21, 2016 at 06:48 PM

SH

“ SyBrena Strozier Harmon lit a candle in memory of April Louise Bates McClendon



SyBrena Strozier Harmon - December 21, 2016 at 04:11 PM

CS

“ Cassandra Scott lit a candle in memory of April Louise Bates McClendon



Cassandra Scott - December 21, 2016 at 03:43 PM

 Althea Pullins

“ I could still see her marching In Price high marching band what a beautiful smile she had and was full of laughter may God be with you and your family rest in peace my sister



Althea Pullins - December 21, 2016 at 03:21 PM

KT

“ Karen Thornton lit a candle in memory of April Louise Bates McClendon



Karen Thornton - December 21, 2016 at 09:54 AM

MS

“ Michelle Smith lit a candle in memory of April Louise Bates McClendon



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Michelle Smith - December 21, 2016 at 08:58 AM

SH

“ SharonBarber lit a candle in memory of April Louise Bates McClendon



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SharonBarber - December 21, 2016 at 08:56 AM

PW

“ I would like to offer my condolences to the family of Mrs. McClendon and may God be a refuge and strength in your time of sorrow. (Psalms 46:1)

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P. Watts - December 21, 2016 at 06:26 AM

NK

“ May God bless you in your time of sorrow, "while you throw all your anxieties upon him because he cares for you" (1 Pet. 5;7).



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nkr - December 20, 2016 at 10:07 AM