



## Mary Magdalena Winstead (McCray)

April 9, 1931 - October 28, 2020

Mary Magdalena Winstead was born as Magdeline McCray, on April 9, 1931, in Elm City, North Carolina, to the late Robert McCray, Sr. and Lillie (Gee) McCray. Mary was affectionally known as “Mag”, “Miss Mag” or Mother Winstead by some people. She was called home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, October 28, 2020, in the comfort of her home, surrounded by her loving family. After the death of Lillie McCray, Robert Sr. remarried to the late Virginia Ballard.

Mary was preceded in death by her late husband, King O. Winstead, Sr; her daughter, Brenda Joyce Winstead and son, Olen Winstead; parents, Robert Sr. and Virginia McCray; her brothers, Leon and Alexander McCray and her sisters, Ruby Epps and Leona “Lea Lea” McCray.

Mary received her high school diploma from Fredrick Douglass High School in Elm City, North Carolina. She later married King O. Winstead, Sr. and moved to Milton, Delaware. She was employed at Beebe Healthcare Center in Lewes, Delaware. She worked there for 27 years and retired as an Environmental Services Supervisor.

Mary was a member of Lighthouse Christian Center. She held the position as an Elder and the Mother of the Church. She was also the National Mother of the Organization of Tabernacle of Praise International Churches, under the

leadership of Apostle David Stockton of Ocala, Florida. Mary loved going to church and doing the Lord's work. After retiring, she had more time to enjoy being around her family and grandchildren. She visited nursing homes in the local area and fellowshiped with friends.

Mary leaves to cherish her memories, five surviving children: Lena Winstead (David Jones) of Lewes, DE, Pastor Deborah K. Ryder, Janice M. Beckett (Alfred), Deacon King O. Winstead, Jr. (Mary J.) and Teresa A. Finney all of Milton, DE; eight grandchildren, Ryan S. Winstead, King O. Winstead III (Nicole), Andreal N. Beckett, Morris Ryder III, Jamar T. Beckett, Debbie Contreras (Luis), Tynisha A. Finney and Thomas J. Finney; seven great-grandchildren, Aiyanna Winstead, Shania L. Winstead, Kinsley N. Winstead, Madison O. Demby, Jeremiah Finney, Kingston Winstead and Caulli O. Winstead Contreras and one great-great granddaughter, Rylah G. Winstead. Also, one sister, Edna Simmons of Maryland, and three brothers, Robert McCray, Jr. and David McCray of North Carolina, William "Jake" McCray of New Jersey and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.

Lovingly Submitted by the Family