Home Going Celebration

For

Edward Marlow McIntyre, Sr.

The Servant Who
"Ain't Got Time To Die"

1931 2004

Friday, August 20, 2004
12:00 Noon

William B. Bell Auditorium
712 Telfair Street
Augusta, Georgia

Reverend Clarence Moore, Officiating
Pastor, Good Shepherd Baptist Church
"Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you. Before you were born, I set you apart..."
Jeremiah 1:5

Ever so often, one will rise up among us who leaves no doubt that he was called out to do a great work. So it was with Edward (Ed) Marlow McIntyre, Sr. From the time of Ed’s birth on November 16, 1931, he held a special place in his heart for his fellow man.

During Ed’s formative years, he learned from his mother, Reverend Essie Mae McIntyre, that God expected much of those to whom much is given. He witnessed stewardship as it was taught and practiced by his extended family and by his mother, as she labored against many odds to found and build one of the largest Black congregations in the CSRA.

Therefore, it was no surprise, to those who knew Ed, that a large part of his life’s work was within the church. He was one of the 17-founding members of Good Shepherd Baptist Church. He served as chairman of the Trustee Ministry, assistant church school superintendent, church school teacher, and a founding member of the Sarah Frazier Choir (named in honor of Ed’s grandmother). Ed had the privilege to serve as the first teacher of the Joshua Long Class. He served on the church’s initial building committee. This committee was responsible for the oversight, planning, and construction that resulted in the current worship site of Good Shepherd Baptist Church located at 1714 Olive Road.

Education was long a cornerstone in Ed’s life and the lives of his family and friends. He attended Haines Normal and Industrial Institute; received the high school diploma from Lucy C. Laney High School; earned a B.A. degree from Morehouse College, Atlanta, Georgia; completed further studies at Paine College, Fort Valley State College, Atlanta University, and Columbia University, New York; and was awarded an honorary Doctorate of Laws degree from Augusta Law School and an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from Faith College, Birmingham, Alabama.

In 1977, Ed chaired the successful Build-It-Back campaign at Paine College to rebuild Haygood Hall that was destroyed by fire in 1968. This was just one of many public endeavors for the cause of education. Many more efforts were made by taking a personal interest in helping young people to complete high school and to enter college or technical school. In recent years, Ed dedicated his time to raising money for two noble causes: Scholarships for the First Tee Golf program and the Augusta Morehouse College Alumni Association.

When we look at the past work experiences of this servant, they have all been in the field of service—that is, serving people: Sixth grade instructor, Charles T. Walker School; Director and Vice-president of Pilgrim Health and Life Insurance Company; and licensed real estate agent. Ed’s many civic affiliations gave testimony to his concern for his fellow man. They included serving on numerous boards such as the American Red Cross, the Augusta Mental Health Association, the Augusta Airport Commission, the Easter Seal Society, Saint Joseph’s Hospital, and the Walter L. Shepheard Blood Center.
A visionary isn’t just one who sees what others do not see, rather a visionary sees a way to achieve what others cannot see. Ed was truly a visionary. As co-founder of the Augusta-Richmond County Coliseum Authority, he provided the leadership for the development of the existing Coliseum. He was founder and first president of the Georgia Association of Black Elected Officials (GABEO), co-founder of the National Association of Minority County Officials (NAMCO), organizer of the CSRA Business League of which he later served as a consultant, and an organizer of the Augustans Together Committee.

In the political arena, Ed was truly a trailblazer. He had the distinction of being the first Black in several areas: First Black Commissioner of Richmond County, and the first Black Chairman; first Black to serve on the Planning and Zoning Board; and first and only Black Mayor of Augusta to date.

Ed’s travels with the United States Army proved to be an enjoyable adventure. It afforded him the opportunity to serve his country and allowed him to continue to develop a passion for serving others, as was his trademark.

Often it is said that one is least recognized in his hometown. That was not the case with Ed. During his many years of public service, the city and community that he loved so dearly honored and recognized him in many ways. He was recognized and sought out for his expertise by state and national officials, also.

It has been said that if you really want to know someone, ask his family. Ed’s family was the “wind beneath his wings.” Their devotion to his mission of service made it possible for him to accomplish so much. His lovely wife Juanita; their children, Wanda (Dr. Keith) McRae; Marlow, Jr. (Traci); Dr. Ashley Darnell (Delecia “Trice”); grandchildren, Kesha and Senita McRae and India and Coleman McIntyre have inherited a tremendous legacy from this warrior – the legacy of family, and love for church, community and country. Other heirs to Ed’s legacy include four sisters-in-law, Alzata Howard, Margaret (Parnell) Jones, Cindy (Marion) Tappan and Estelle (Maffett) Boykin; one brother-in-law, Glenn (Mattie) Beard; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Approximately 2,000 years ago, a man came to earth to show us all how we should live and co-exist. He left an indelible mark on all that choose to know Him. He taught that we should love our neighbor as ourselves (Luke 10:27). He taught that we are to love our enemies and pray for them (Luke 6:27, Matt. 5:44). He taught that we must show love for the Father by serving one another (Galatians 5:3c).

Ed showed love through his service to others.

Today many are blessed and lead richer lives because Edward M. McIntyre, Sr. passed our way. Let us not forget him.
ORDER OF SERVICE
Reverend Dr. Clyde Hill, Sr., Presiding Pastor, Mount Calvary Baptist Church

ORGAN PRELUDE ........................................... "Ain’t Got Time To Die"

*PROCESSIONAL

SOLO ........... "Ain’t Got Time To Die" ..................... Dr. Hawthorne Welcher
Principal, Lucy Craft Laney High School

INVOCATION ............................................ Reverend Dr. Rosa L. Williams
Pastor, Ever Faithful Missionary Baptist Church

*SPIRITUAL ........ "Jacob’s Ladder" .................. Choir and Congregation
Good Shepherd Baptist Church
Led by Deacon George P. Hatcher

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON .................. Reverend Dr. Johnny R. Hatney
Pastor, Old Storm Branch Baptist Church

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON .................. Reverend Dr. Nathaniel Irvin
Pastor, Good Hope Baptist Church

SELECTION ........ "Going Up Yonder" ............ Choir and Congregation
Good Shepherd Baptist Church
Led by Ms. Rebecca Williams

EULOGIES
Sister-in-law ........................................ Mrs. Margaret B. Jones
Good Shepherd Baptist Church

Friend ........................................... The Honorable John H. Ruffin, Jr.
Presiding Judge, Court of Appeals of Georgia

Friend ........................................... The Honorable A. Reginald Eaves
Former Commissioner, Fulton County, Georgia

Son ............................................. Ashley Darnell McIntyre, M.D.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS .................................. Mrs. Frankie Ramsey

GOSPEL MEDLEY ......................................... Mr. James Bignon

EULOGY .............................................. Reverend Clarence Moore
Pastor, Good Shepherd Baptist Church

*RECESSIONAL .... "Alleluia" .................... Reverend Dr. Robert W. Turner
Pastor, Good Samaritan Baptist Church

INTERMENT .............................................. Hillcrest Memorial Park

*Audience Standing
A Message From

Ed

Each day I taught my children what my mother taught me: In order to move forward in this complex society, one must work hard, study hard, love others, and above all, believe in God Almighty. I taught my children that every generation of McIntyres must prepare themselves better than the preceding generation.

During my life I did some right, and I did some wrong. It is my prayer that the wrong did not negate the right.

While living, I tried to show that it is better to give than to receive, and that one should strive to make the world a better place than he found it.

Acceptance: I learned that we must all accept that there will be some criticism of our efforts no matter what we do. But in the final analysis, I hope that during my time here on earth, many lives were touched. Perhaps some saw something positive that they can emulate. If so, then I am pleased to know that a part of my life will live on in others.

Realize that Jesus Christ came that we might have life and have it more abundantly. It is His judgement before which we must all stand. "May the work I've done speak for me."

Death is a stage through which we all must pass. In my death, I hope that you, my Christian friends, will remember that Ed McIntyre lived his life by keeping "so busy serving his Jesus that he didn't have time to die."
PALLBEARERS

Mr. Jason Beard  Mr. Cedric Johnson
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Other Former and Present Elected Officials

FLOWER BEARERS

Ushers

REPAST

Good Shepherd Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
1714 Olive Road, Augusta, Georgia

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The family of Edward Marlow McIntyre, Sr. wishes to express our sincere appreciation for all the acts of kindness, love, prayers, and support shown during this period of bereavement.

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