



Bernadette Gabbin

March 8, 1956 - May 1, 2026

I have fought a good fight; I have finished my course; I have kept the faith. II Timothy 4:7

Bernadette Gabbin known as “Pumpkin” was born in Baltimore City, Maryland on March 8, 1956 to the late Charles Gabbin and Bernice Gabbin Beverly. She departed this life on Friday, May 1, 2026 at the University of Maryland Shore Medical Center in Easton, Maryland at the age of 70.

She received her education in the Dorchester County Public Schools, graduating in the class of 1974.

Bernadette was a faithful member at St. Luke United Methodist Church in Cambridge, Maryland until her health began to fail. Even during her sickness she would always say “God Got Me.”

Bernadette worked at various jobs, such as Bumble Bee Seafood, Country Pride Chicken Plant, Airpax Electronics, Wal-Mart, DDU, Cambridge Wire Cloth and the Dorchester County Social Services Day Care Program/Foster Care. Her last place of employment was at Dorchester County Public Schools as a Bus Aide. She loved working with children who had special needs and they loved her too. Bernadette could get the children on the bus laughing and singing like no other person could.

Since retiring, Bernadette got married, loved going shopping with her daughter, singing, playing her old albums, working outside in the yard, cutting grass and decorating her yard and house.

She loved spending time with her family, always checked on her son “about every hour” as he would say and delighted in spending time with her grandkids and great grandkids.

She was a loving mother, grandmother, great grandmother and friend. She had a big heart and would help anyone who was in need, if she could. She truly will be missed by all her family and friends.

Bernadette was preceded in death by her parents, Charles Gabbin and Bernice Gabbin Beverly and a special loved one, Bertram Brown, Sr.

Bernadette leaves to cherish her memories: her daughter, Onell Autrey (Marzelle, Jr.) and her son, Henry Gabbin (Barbara), both of Cambridge, MD: four children she help raised, Henry Johnson and Tonya Chester (Jeffrey, Sr.), both of Charlotte, North Carolina, Lavonne Johnson of Cambridge, MD and Tony Johnson of Mardela Springs, MD; two grandchildren, Domonique Autrey (Tatianna) of Upper Marlboro, MD and Honestie Gabbin of Cambridge, MD: three great grandchildren, Mekhi Autrey, Khalil Autrey and Keh’lani Johnson: two brothers, Charles Gabbin (Rosa) of Cambridge, MD and Charles Pinder; other loved ones, Bertram Brown, Jr. (Patricia), Darnell Brown (Shirley) and Delano Brown; special friends, Glory Stanley, Joann Jiles, Leslie Pinkett and Gail Sampson; special niece, Diszell Gabbin of Baltimore MD, and a host of great nephews, great nieces, cousins and friends.

SUBMITTED LOVINGLY ~ THE FAMILY

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 16. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Luke United Methodist Church (Cambridge)
712 Bradley Avenue
Cambridge, MD 21632

Funeral Service

MAY 16. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

Bennie Smith Funeral Home - May 15 at 03:15 PM



“ *Marcus And Margaret Sampson lit a candle in memory of Bernadette Gabbin*



marcus and margaret sampson - May 15 at 09:41 PM



“ *Bernadette(mom),
You will be missed!! I am so sorry I cannot make it to your home going service! I remember all the times we spent at the house with you, dad, ONELL and Buddy! We had so much fun and you always protected us from daddy 😭! You treated me, Bonnie and Chuckie just like we were your own and never told us no when we wanted to visit for days!at a time! No more suffering, take your rest and tell dad we miss and love him 💕💕💕💕*

Tonya Chester - May 15 at 08:31 PM



“ *Connie Jolley-Campet lit a candle in memory of Bernadette Gabbin*



Connie Jolley-Campet - May 15 at 03:12 PM

SB

“ *My condolences to the family of Bernadette.
You all are in my Prayers 🙏*



Sylvia Bolden - May 15 at 11:59 AM

TD

“ *Terrylynn Demdy-Hopkins lit a candle in
memory of Bernadette Gabbin*



Terrylynn Demdy-Hopkins - May 15 at 11:31 AM

GT

“ *GWENDOLYN TURNER lit a candle in
memory of Bernadette Gabbin*



GWENDOLYN TURNER - May 14 at 10:15 PM

FM

“ *Francine Molock-Osborne lit a candle in
memory of Bernadette Gabbin*



Francine Molock-Osborne - May 14 at 09:51 PM

TC

“ *Ti the family- I'm sorry to hear about the passing of your loved one. My prayers are with you all during this time.*



Tanya Camper-Greene - May 14 at 07:10 PM

SF

“ *Sheree Fidderman lit a candle in memory of Bernadette Gabbin*



sheree fidderman - May 14 at 12:32 PM

JJ

“ *Jo Ann Jiles lit a candle in memory of Bernadette Gabbin*



Jo Ann Jiles - May 13 at 09:23 PM

DA

“ *Sending my prayers and condolences to the family .Bernadette has been a life long friend. She will be missed!!*



Daphine - May 13 at 08:32 PM

JR

“ Condolence and prayers for the family.



Janett patricia Robinson - May 12 at 07:11 PM

TW

“ Sorry For Your Loss



Thomas Widgeon - May 12 at 07:31 AM

LP

“ Will miss you 🥹



Leslie Pinkett - May 12 at 07:27 AM

SS

Sleep on Bernadette

Sylvia Stanley - May 12 at 11:54 AM

LP

Please get your rest 🙏🥹🥹

Leslie Pinkett - May 12 at 02:56 PM

CC

“ Praying for family. I will always remember our last conversation. U stayed on my mind until I found you we both were happy to see 🙏🙏 each other. Rest in peace

Carolyn Christian - May 11 at 06:58 PM

BN

Praying for the family. We lived side by side for a many years. I have seen your kids grow up. Sorry for the loss of you rest in peace.

Belinder Nelson - May 14 at 11:32 AM

LB

“ Laverne Bowens lit a candle in memory of Bernadette Gabbin



Laverne Bowens - May 11 at 06:54 PM

SS

“ Sylvia Stanley lit a candle in memory of Bernadette Gabbin



Sylvia Stanley - May 11 at 06:05 PM

LP

I will really miss you and our conversation 🥹💔 May you be at peace Bernadette.

Leslie Pinkett - May 12 at 06:30 AM