



## Emma Lee Schoolfield

January 28, 1935 - July 17, 2025

On Thursday, July 17, 2025, Emma Lee Schoolfield, our matriarch whose love anchored generations, passed away peacefully at her home in Pocomoke City, Maryland, following a brief battle with lung cancer. She was ninety (90) years old.

Born in Pocomoke City on January 28, 1935 to the late Caroline Cropper Lane and Russell Schoolfield, Emma was one of three children raised with values of kindness, faith and community. She attended schools in Worcester County and dedicated 29½ years of service to Pocomoke Middle School, not just as a custodian but as a guiding presence. Her smile lit the hallways, her wisdom helped guide young students and her legacy was echoed through the footsteps of her grandchildren who also attended Pocomoke Middle School.

A lifelong member and usher at St. James United Methodist Church, Emma Lee's faith was the foundation of her life. She led by example, with quiet strength and unwavering grace that extended far beyond the pews.

Emma Lee's greatest joy was her family. She was a woman of strength and generosity. She was known for helping anyone she could—whether that meant offering financial support, a warm smile, a shoulder to cry on, a stern hand, or a gentle nudge when you needed it. She would playfully scold her grandchildren when the phone calls fell short of her expectations. She taught

her grandchildren how to love and how to treat others. She shared casino outings and laughter with her daughter and friends. She cheered at horse races, proud of her late son William. She cared tirelessly for her late children Ella Mae and Troy. Emma Lee's loss is deeply felt by her family, church members and friends.

Emma Lee was preceded in death by: her parents, Caroline Lane, and Russell Schoolfield; two brothers, Nelson Cropper and William Schoolfield; her daughter, Ella Mae Jones and two sons, William E. Brittingham, Jr. and Troy D. Schoolfield.

Cherishing her memory are: her children, Russell Brittingham of Ocean City, MD, the Reverend Alonzo J. Schoolfield of Pocomoke City, MD and Samuel Crippen, Jr. of Miona, VA; daughters, Darlene Crippen and JoAnn Morris, both of Pocomoke City, MD; son-in-law, Alvin Morris of Parksley, VA; grandchildren, Sasha Holland (Jean) of Salisbury, MD, Michelle Pote (Patrick) of Philadelphia, PA, LaRhonda Jones of Salisbury, MD, Lynaya Morris (Luke) of Portland, ME; Bryan Corbin of Salisbury, MD, Martece Brittingham of Ocean City, MD, Terron Morris of Pocomoke, MD, TreShuan Marshall and LoShuan Godwin, Jr. of Captains Cove, VA; two special cousins, Louise Brittingham and Betty Lee Simpson and a host of other relatives and friends.

Submitted With Love ~ The Family

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **26.** 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

St. James United Methodist Church  
1513 Colona Road  
Pocomoke City, Maryland 21851

## Funeral Service

JUL **26.** 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

**Bennie Smith Funeral Home** - July 25, 2025 at 03:51 PM



“ *Elmer Corbin lit a candle in memory of Emma Lee Schoolfield*



**Elmer Corbin** - August 01, 2025 at 07:12 AM



“ *Sending love and prayers, I truly enjoyed when Mrs. Emma came over to visit with my aunt Cynthia. Those two were a pair, laughing and giggling. Tori*

**Tori Yant-Fisher** - July 31, 2025 at 10:28 AM



“ *My girls remember her from Pocomoke middle school and I recall seeing her smiling face riding around with Darlene. Praying for the family.*



**Brenda F Marshall** - July 26, 2025 at 07:25 AM

PD

“ *Peggy Dickerson lit a candle in memory of Emma Lee Schoolfield*



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**Peggy Dickerson** - July 26, 2025 at 07:22 AM

PW

“ *Percy And Myra Watts lit a candle in memory of Emma Lee Schoolfield*



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**Percy and Myra Watts** - July 26, 2025 at 06:50 AM

JM

“ *Jeanie Mason lit a candle in memory of Emma Lee Schoolfield*



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**Jeanie Mason** - July 24, 2025 at 06:14 PM

JF

“ *John Handy & Family purchased the Purple Violet Yellow Wildflower Mix (Silk Cemetery Flowers) for the family of Emma Lee Schoolfield.*



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**John Handy & Family** - July 24, 2025 at 02:38 PM

LM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Liaina Mapp - July 24, 2025 at 01:48 PM

JM

“ Jennimar Mendez lit a candle in memory of Emma Lee Schoolfield



Jennimar Mendez - July 24, 2025 at 09:20 AM

MR

“ Mr & Mrs Rodriguez purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Emma Lee Schoolfield.



Mr & Mrs Rodriguez - July 24, 2025 at 09:18 AM

AC

“ Amanda Collins lit a candle in memory of Emma Lee Schoolfield



Amanda Collins - July 24, 2025 at 12:03 AM

TW

“ Tracey White lit a candle in memory of Emma Lee Schoolfield



Tracey White - July 23, 2025 at 01:21 PM

MH

“ Mable Holden lit a candle in memory of Emma Lee Schoolfield



Mable Holden - July 23, 2025 at 12:23 AM

MT

“ Malinda Tull lit a candle in memory of Emma Lee Schoolfield



Malinda Tull - July 22, 2025 at 05:32 PM

LA

“ Sending my condolences and prayers to the family.

lawrence - July 22, 2025 at 05:00 PM

TW

“ Sorry For Your Loss



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**Thomas Widgeon** - July 22, 2025 at 03:35 PM

SP

“ I send my condolences to the family of Emma, may God comfort, guide and keep you all during this time of her home going unto the Lord Jesus Christ 🙏 .

Keep your trust in God, he will never fail you . Cherish Emma's memories, knowing that her Spirit will always dwell with you. It is Well, It is Well with her soul ❤️

Lovingly Submitted 🕊️,  
Ms. Sheila Palmer & Family

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**Sheila Palmer** - July 22, 2025 at 08:55 AM

JJ

“ Sending my condolences and prayers to the family. You will be missed.



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**June Johnson** - July 22, 2025 at 08:52 AM