



## Esther Marie Dickerson

July 4, 1937 - August 28, 2024

### ESTHER'S LIFE AND LEGACY

Esther Marie Dickerson, lovingly known as “Cousin Ess”, “Miss Ess”, “Queen Esther”, “May May”, “Mommom” or “Mother Dickerson” was born to the late Leona Marie Collins and Herby Cannon on July 4, 1937 in Philadelphia, PA. She peacefully departed this life on Wednesday, August 28, 2024 at her home with family.

She was educated in the Worcester County School system.

She was united in holy matrimony to the late William Ray Dickerson and of this union were 6 children, Carolyn, William “Bill”, Curtis, Michael, Leona and Terrie.

Esther began her Christian walk at an early age and joined Mount Hope Baptist Church in Stockton, MD. She later joined Dea's Chapel United Methodist Church in Horntown, VA, serving in several auxiliaries including President of Woman's Society, Trustee of Finance, Kitchen Committee, Youth Choir, Coordinator, Usher board, the Adult Fellowship Choir and the Pastor's Aide. She reinstated her membership back to Mount Hope Baptist Church where she was a faithful member until her health began to fail. She always had a close relationship with the late Reverend Recie Marshall and her new pastor, Reverend Rebecca Selby. She loved the Lord and would always tell of

his goodness and she enjoyed listening to her gospel music, especially on Sunday mornings.

Esther was a dedicated employee at several poultry plants where she became a mother figure to so many people. She was also hairdresser to many. She would have her children clean on Fridays so she could do hair on Saturdays. She had a passion for cooking and had so many requests for her to make her sweet potato pies, rice pudding, bread pudding, tuna casserole and stewed tomatoes, just to name a few. Almost every Sunday she would have some family members come for dinner. She loved reading her Harlequin present books and she would say how many places she had traveled. She loved talking on the phone until she said, "it's time enough now to get off the phone." She loved her children and loved talking about them. She would tell people that she had so many children all over and the color didn't matter. Tonya (Tiny ) was her pride and joy.

She had several caregivers in addition to Annette, Curt and Terrie. Cordelia and a young lady "India Thomas" with whom she felt a special bond and appreciated as well as long time friends, Janice Conquest, Cora " Bootsie" and Josephine Spence.

She leaves cherished memories with: her children, William (Bessie) Dickerson of Salisbury, MD, Carolyn Haley of Fort Washington, MD, Michael (Valerie) Dickerson of Morrow, GA, Curtis Dickerson, Leona Dickerson and Terrie (Jeffrey) Feddiman, all of Pocomoke, Maryland; adopted daughter, Diana (Larry) Finney of Whaleyville, MD; step daughter Victora Mills of Snow Hill, MD; one sister, Joan Walker of Philadelphia, PA; 11 grandchildren, Tonya, Terrell (Mitchell), Toi (Michael), Kashmere, Alicia, Kirsten, Darius, Ryan, Javon, Michael, Jr. and Tanyette; 12 great grandchildren; one sister-in-law, Hazel (Earl) Marshall and brother-in-law, J.C. Lankford and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

In addition to her parents, Leona Collins and Herby Cannon, Esther was preceded in death by her husband of sixty (60) years William Dickerson.

SUBMITTED WITH LOVE ~ THE FAMILY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 7. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Carmel Baptist Church  
30683 Hampden Ave  
Princess, Anne, MD 21853

## Funeral Service

SEP 7. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

CD

“ I am sorry to hear about Miss Esther, we spent many wonderful times together and had many long talks. Rest in peace Miss Esther.  
*Claire Desautels*

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**Claire Desautels** - September 19, 2024 at 09:16 AM

SH

“ *Samantha Marie Hodges lit a candle in memory of Esther Marie Dickerson*



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**Samantha Marie Hodges** - September 07, 2024 at 12:50 AM

BP

“ *Brenda Peterson and Mt Olive Church Family sends their sympathy to the family of Esther Dickerson. To Terri Fidderman and other siblings I recommend you into the hands of our Heavenly Father, the one who is able to keep you, comfort you , give you peace that surpasses all understanding and provide for you during this time of saddness. My continued prayers are with you all.*

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**brenda peterson** - September 06, 2024 at 09:00 PM

KD

“ Mommom, you will be missed. I'm going to miss calling you and coming over to see you. Gonna miss your homemade cooking especially your dumplings. Thank you for all that you have done for the family. Sorry I can't be there for your funeral but my thoughts are with daddy and the rest of the family. I'm sure you are so proud of your family. Love you mommom and may you continue to rest in God's loving arms.



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**Kirsten Dickerson** - September 06, 2024 at 03:26 PM

DP

“ Debbie Purnell lit a candle in memory of Esther Marie Dickerson



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**Debbie Purnell** - September 06, 2024 at 02:43 PM

DM

“ Dwight & Mellissa purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Esther Marie Dickerson.



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**Dwight & Mellissa** - September 06, 2024 at 10:08 AM

DF

“ *Debbie Finney lit a candle in memory of Esther Marie Dickerson*



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**Debbie Finney** - September 05, 2024 at 12:44 PM

VA

“ *Valerie lit a candle in memory of Esther Marie Dickerson*



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**Valerie** - September 05, 2024 at 12:43 PM

SZ

“ *Seble zeleke purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Esther Marie Dickerson.*



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**Seble zeleke** - September 05, 2024 at 11:33 AM

DB

“ *Deborah M. Baines lit a candle in memory of Esther Marie Dickerson*



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**Deborah M. Baines** - September 05, 2024 at 06:15 AM

LD

“ *Luron Davis purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Esther Marie Dickerson.*



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**Luron Davis** - September 05, 2024 at 05:21 AM

MD

“ *Sending my sincere condolences and prayers to the family. I worked with Esther for while, years ago. She was a very strong willed lady. We shared many laughs.*

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**Midge Dickerson** - September 04, 2024 at 12:53 PM

BG

“ *Barbara Gumby lit a candle in memory of Esther Marie Dickerson*



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**Barbara Gumby** - September 04, 2024 at 08:03 AM

BG

*Condolences to the family. You are in my prayers.*

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**Barbara Gumby** - September 04, 2024 at 08:04 AM

BD

“ FAMILY THE JOY OF THE GOOD LORD IS DEFINITELY YOUR STRENGTH.I KNOW YAW R LAUGHING AND TALKING BOUT THE THINGS AND SAYINGS MS ESTHER SAID AND DID.U HAVE LOTS OF MEMORIES.MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

LOVE  
BETTY S

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**Betty L schoolfield Dover del** - September 04, 2024 at 05:54 AM

BD

“ *Betty L Schoolfield Dover Del lit a candle in memory of Esther Marie Dickerson*



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**Betty L schoolfield Dover del** - September 04, 2024 at 05:47 AM

AH

“ *Angelo and I would like to express our prayers and sincere condolences to the family. We loved her dearly but God loved her most. We miss the phone calls and motherly advice. Rest well until we meet again Mother Dickerson.*

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**Angelo and Linda Hayes** - September 03, 2024 at 09:11 PM

TJ

“ *Tina Justice lit a candle in memory of Esther Marie Dickerson*



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**Tina Justice** - September 03, 2024 at 07:48 AM

MT

“ *Condolences to the family. Praying for your strength at this difficult time.*



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**Malinda Tull** - September 03, 2024 at 06:46 AM

FL

“ *from Rock and Wanda Deas, with love! planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Esther Marie Dickerson.*

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**from Rock and Wanda Deas, with love!** - September 02, 2024 at 10:37 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Esther Marie Dickerson.*



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September 02, 2024 at 10:37 PM

“ *The Esther Dickerson I knew and will always remember was a wonderful, delightful person.*

*For years, Esther and I attended the same church. Esther was a member of two choirs: the Adult Choir and the Young Adult Choir. She would come to choir practice with a song or two that she wanted to practice and sing during Sunday morning services or at other times. If some of us on the choir had not heard those songs before, she would patiently teach them to us. And on Sunday mornings, she was always ready and willing to sing her songs. And oh, how she sang to the glory of God!*

*Esther was also an usher, a member of the United Methodist Women and other church groups. The church would often have throughout the year various special services such as Back Home Day, Men’s Day, Women’s Day, Youth Day and more. Quite often, the church would serve after service free refreshments or a complete sit-down meal for all in attendance. Church volunteers would often begin preparing the refreshments or meals in the church’s kitchen and setting up the dining room the day before these special services. The sponsor of these events could always count on Esther to help plan and serve however or whenever she was needed.*

*Esther served her church and those in need in the church community faithfully as she also worked outside the home and raised her children to know and love God. Now, she has returned to God, her Maker to rest from her labor in His presence throughout eternity.*

*Today, I join her family and friends who mourn her passing, but at this moment I also feel so blessed today to have known Esther and to always remember her as a truly wonderful, delightful individual.*

*Geneva Cannon*

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**Geneva Cannon** - September 01, 2024 at 11:00 AM

SH

*Take your rest Ms Esther I remember Terri would bring me over to your house and we would sit down and talk at the table while we was eating that good food you would cook I'm so blessed to have known you and you taught me something's showed me something's I love you and you will be forever in my ❤️*

**Sherri Holbrook** - September 03, 2024 at 01:59 PM

LF

“ Little foot planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Esther Marie Dickerson.

**Little foot** - September 01, 2024 at 06:51 AM

LF

“ Little foot purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Esther Marie Dickerson.



**Little foot** - September 01, 2024 at 06:51 AM

TW

“ Sorry For Your Loss



**Thomas Widgeon** - September 01, 2024 at 06:46 AM