



Gertrude Bailey

December 5, 1942 - August 26, 2020

Her Journey

Evangelist Gertrude Bailey

Gertrude Evans Bailey, a resident of Bishopville, MD, peacefully departed this life on Wednesday, August 26, 2020, in her home at the age of seventy-seven (77), surrounded by her loved ones. Born in Bolivia, North Carolina, Gertrude Bailey, born Gertrude Marie Evans, was the daughter of the late Goldie May Evans and Arthur May Evans. Gertrude Bailey was the seventh born of fourteen (14) children.

In 1961, Gertrude Bailey graduated from Brunswick County public schools and moved to Maryland. It was in Maryland that she met Johnnie Mack Bailey and from their union, two children were born, Darren and Diana.

On May 24, 1968, Gertrude Bailey was saved and on the 25th, she received the Holy Ghost. She was baptized on September 29, 1968 and ordained as Evangelist on April 10, 1970. Gertrude Bailey attended St. Matthew's Baptist Church, under the leadership of the late Dr. M.T. Mitchell and the late Pastor Louise Williams, and held the titles of Evangelist, Church Secretary and Treasurer.

Gertrude retired from the Stockley Center after thirty-one (31) years of

employment. She operated Uncle Buck's Grill for over eight years. During her retirement years, she enjoyed traveling back to North Carolina and spending time with her family and friends.

Gertrude is survived by: her two children, Darren Bailey of Bishopville, MD and Diana Bailey of Salisbury, MD; her siblings, Rosa Lane McMillian of Wilmington, NC, Leroy Evans of Brooklyn, NY, Mary Lillie Smith Jordan (James) of Bolivia, NC, Carlton Hollis Evans (Linda) of Leland, NC, Hurley Evans (Carolyn) of Wilmington, NC, Thomas Ray Evans (Victoria) of Augusta, GA, Ellen Evans of Bolivia, NC, Arthur, Jr. (Karen) Evans of Bolivia, NC and Bobby Evans (Joni) of Southport, NC and three grandchildren, Dionderik Bailey of Salisbury, MD, Leikia Hallett of Bishopville, MD and Danielle Bailey of Salisbury, MD. Gertrude was the great-grandmother of four and had a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and a special friend, Mary Handy.

In addition to her mother and father, Gertrude was preceded in death by her brothers, Archie Lee Evans, Hubert Evans and Kersell Evans and one sister, Annie Frances Evans.

Tribute Wall

HS

“ With lots of love, Brother Arthur Jr & Karen Evans

Heartfelt Sympathies Store - September 03, 2020 at 06:55 PM

AE

“ With loving memories of Aunt Gertrude, she will remain in our hearts forever

April Evans - September 02, 2020 at 08:10 PM

JA

“ May God bless you and the family as he gives you strength comfort and peace during this time. The great memories of this beautiful Angel is her greeting you with that beautiful smile. Emmanuel God is with you always God bless you all Jacqueline

Jacqueline Artis - September 01, 2020 at 11:29 PM

RW

“ Darren, Condolences to you and Diane on the passing of your mother. It was always nice to come and run into her at Sadie's, Church or stopping by the store for some homemade cooking. We also teased her about you, her comedic son, our classmate whether you were around. It was never a short visit or dull conversation because we would catch up and reminisce about back in the day in Ocean City. She always inquired about my father and siblings. If you caught a glimpse of it, she had a beautiful smile. A link from the West Ocean City crew has transitioned on to Glory. You will always have fond memories such as these few to cherish as she lives on forever in your hearts. Sympathetically, Robin

Robin White-Hicks - September 01, 2020 at 05:31 PM

JL

“ *Too soon for you to leave us, I will forever consider you a sincere friend, always there and always strong even when things got difficult. RIP Gertrude.*

Jamie Linebaugh - August 31, 2020 at 03:41 PM