



## Marva Elaine Bowen

October 8, 1958 - July 9, 2017

Reverend Marva Elaine Bowen, 58 was born November 8, 1958 in Pompano Beach, FL to Frankie West-Spells and Ernest Dailey. She was later adopted by James & E. Ida West, who raised her as their own. She departed this life peacefully in her home on July 9, 2017.

Elaine as she was known to everyone, received her formal education in the Wicomico Country Public Schools, graduating from Wicomico Senior High in 1978. She was employed by Berlin Nursing Home, Owner of Bowen's Day Care and custodian at Stephen Decatur High all in Berlin, MD. Elaine was wed in holy matrimony to Fontaine Bowen, 35 years ago. Her Christian training had its roots at United Church of First Born. After moving to Berlin, she became a member of Tyree AME Church, she was eventually ordained as a reverend under Pastor Dr. Henry Brown. Many will remember Elaine for her sweet spirit, love of gospel music, love of flowers and her soft spoken words.

Elaine leaves to mourn; her husband Fontaine Bowen, her only child; Christina (Jeremiah) Bowen-Howell, Berlin, MD; 2 granddaughters, Brianna & Brittany Bowen; sisters, Evang. Betty Mitchell, Mary (Curtis) Dixon, both of Salisbury, MD, Gale Dunning, JoAnn Seymour, Corrine Seymour, Pamela West; of Ft. Lauderdale, FL; brothers, George J. Seymour, George T. Seymour, all of Ft. Lauderdale, Virginia Beach, FL and George Seymour, Jr. of St. Louis MI. 1 uncle; James West, VA, 1 aunt; Winnie Jones, DE; mother-in-law, Queen (Robert) Leonard, Bishopville, MD; 2 brothers-in-laws, Earnest (Vanessa) Satchell, Salisbury, MD and Kaleel Satchell, Berlin, MD; 1 sister-in-

law, Chiffon (Charles) Collins, Berlin

She was preceded in death by her parents, her twin sister Able West, with many other relatives & in-laws.

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# Tribute Wall

HF

“ My deepest condolences for the loss of your dear loved one. While nothing will completely take away your grief by meditating on Gods promises found in the Bible you can find real hope and the strength to keep going. My family and I have found the scripture at Isaiah 25:8 to be especially comforting. Here it promises that God "will swallow up death forever and the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces."

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**H. Fields** - July 16, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Please accept my deepest sympathy in the loss of your loved one. It is sad to lose someone we love in death. I just recently experienced the hurt of losing two of my sisters. The hurt and pain is still very real to me. I found comfort and help to deal with my grief from the bible. Acts 24:15, tells us that there is going to be a resurrection of the dead. Also, Revelation 21:4 tells us that Almighty God is going to remove death, sickness and pain in the near future. I look forward to that time and so can you. So please take comfort in the bible during your time of grief and may your entire family be comforted and blessed at this time.

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**Doretha Sampson** - July 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ I am sorry for your loss, please accept my sincere condolences. I hope the family will find some comfort and strength in Jesus promise of the earthly resurrection(Acts 24:15)and the renewed Paradise earth, where death will be no more and no family will mourn the death of a loved one.-Revelation 21:3,4;John 5:28,29;Luke 23:43. may GOD(Psalms 83:18)grant you peace and comfort now, during this grievous time.-Matthew 5:4.

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**M Jones** - July 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GR

“ My dear wife and I would like to extend our condolences for the loss of your loved one (Proverbs 17:17). At difficult times like this we realize how precious and fragile life can surely be (James 4:14). As your family and friends comfort one another, as a neighbor we pray you also be comforted by the sure hope the Bible gives us for all those who have died (2 Corinthians 1:3, 4). As recorded in the Bible, Jesus promised that one day he was going to bring back to life all those who have died (John 5:28, 29). That is why he encourages all of us to exercise faith in that promise, the life that Jesus gave in our behalf, and be blessed as we see that promise fulfilled (John 11:25; 3:16; 6:40; James 2:17). The Bible makes it clear that death is an "enemy" not only to mankind, but also to Almighty God (1 Corinthians 15:26). That is also why God promises to remove forever all the pain, suffering, wickedness, and death that mankind has had to endure for thousands of years (Revelation 21:3-5; Psalm 37:10, 11, 29). At that time soon, as the Bible indicates, both the living and the dead who are brought back to life will enjoy life, everlasting life, as God originally purposed for this earth thousands of years ago in the Garden of Eden (Genesis 1:28; Jeremiah 29:11). What a glorious day that will be for mankind who are doing what God asks of us, namely that we simply do His Will, not our own (1 John 2:17; 5:3; Proverbs 3:5, 6). Please read and meditate on all these scriptures in your Bible and be comforted and blessed (Psalm 1:1-3; John 17:3). Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

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George & Chris Ragusa - July 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM