



Mary Francis Kellam

January 16, 1935 - September 13, 2021

Mary' s Journey...

Mary Francis Kellam was born on January 16, 1935 to the late Virginia Jones and Milton Ayres. She ascended from an earthly angel to a heavenly angel on Monday, September 13, 2021 at Atlantic General Hospital in Berlin, Maryland. She was a blessing in the lives of our family and friends for eighty-six (86) wonderful years.

Mary was educated in the public schools of Worcester County, Maryland. She was a devoted Christian who loved the Lord and in her later years, joined Mount Hope Baptist Church in Stockton, Maryland.

On September 26, 1968, Mary married the love of her life, Herbert Leon Kellam, and became a wife, mother and a homemaker. One of the greatest joys in her life was being able to take care of her family and to be there for them whenever needed. Momma, as we lovingly referred to her, also enjoyed feeding the neighbors in the neighborhood and babysitting for other families in the community.

Mary was an entrepreneur with her husband, selling homemade ice cream, snowballs and subs. She also did seasonal work and was a housekeeper at Quality Inn Motel in Pocomoke, Maryland.

Momma was a quiet, humble, modest peacemaker, who loved her children, grandchildren and family unconditionally. She enjoyed making her famous sweet potato pies, potato salad, turnip greens and most of all, those delicious yeast rolls you could smell coming in the driveway. She also loved to shop, decorate for Christmas, collect what-nots, especially farm animal figurines, and eat out at Arbys.

Momma leaves to cherish fond memories: four children, Gloria Kellam, Michael Kellam (Bonnie) and Diane Kellam Smith (Preston), all of Pocomoke City, Maryland and Lisa Kellam Boone (Ronald) of Staten Island, New York; six grandchildren, Eric Smith (Kashawn) of Nelsonia, Virginia, Kerstein Richo (Cory) of Crisfield, Maryland, Brad Smith of Pocomoke City, Maryland, Sarah Kellam of Salisbury, Maryland, Vanity Jenkins of Staten Island, New York and Michael Sample of Withams, Virginia; great grandchildren, Amirah Smith, Brayla Smith Caydence Smith, Jason Kellam, Zyen Gumby, Carrie Sledge, Marcus Sledge, Quincy Sledge, Michael Sample, Jr. and Shadonna Sample; one very special sister, Pastor Elnora Wise; nieces, Sylvia Fletcher, Teresa Fletcher, Malinda Wise and Stephanie Wise; nephew, Kenny Wise; great nephew, Aaron Ballard; special family, Betty Justice and Doretha Brown; best friend, Janice Conquest and a host of cousins, other relatives and friends.

Momma was preceded in death by: her husband, Herbert Kellam; mother, Virginia and father, Milton; sister, Mary Lee Adams; brothers, James Albert Tull and Preston Wise; nephew, Archie Wise and great nephew, Shawn Wise.

Sorrowfully and Lovingly Submitted ~ The Family

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **25.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bennie Smith Life Celebration Center
901 West Isabella Street
Salisbury, MD 21801

Visitation

SEP **26.** 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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

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Live Stream Broadcast on Facebook

SEP **26.** 1:00 PM.

Benniesfh Salisbury
<http://Facebook>

Tribute Wall



“ *Bennie Smith Funeral Home created a https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=227724545992871&id=100051117399564 in memory of Mary Francis Kellam*



Bennie Smith Funeral Home - September 26, 2021 at 01:37 PM

RF

“ *To Michael and the Kellam family - Praying for you and family in your time of bereavement in the passing of your loved one. May His peace and comfort be with you now, and in the days, weeks, months and years to come. Blessings from Rev. Frances Fitchett and the Girdletree Charge church family.*

Rev. Frances Fitchett - October 01, 2021 at 10:44 PM

EF

“ *Erica Fletcher lit a candle in memory of Mary Francis Kellam*



Erica Fletcher - September 26, 2021 at 12:07 PM

BS

“ *Betty Schoolfield lit a candle in memory of Mary Francis Kellam*



Betty schoolfield - September 26, 2021 at 10:34 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mary Francis Kellam.*



September 25, 2021 at 09:03 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Francis Kellam.*



September 24, 2021 at 10:27 PM

BM

“ *Bruce E Marshall purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mary Francis Kellam.*



Bruce E Marshall - September 22, 2021 at 05:41 PM

BF

“ It sadden our hearts to hear the passing of Ma. Mary. She was such a jewel and to know her is to love her. She has such a sweet calm spirit and was the same every-time I saw her. There’s a big void in all of our hearts but we will see her again. Our families go way back and we all are hurting. God will be with us. Me. Mary, sleep on, take your rest, see you in the morning. We loved you, but God loved you best.

Bishop Isaac Jenkins, Sr. & Family - September 22, 2021 at 12:57 PM

CB

“ Cassandra Bailey lit a candle in memory of Mary Francis Kellam



Cassandra Bailey - September 19, 2021 at 10:45 PM

TM

“ Mike, I sorry hear of death your mother...Have my deepest condolences know that your not alone god with you. Your long time friend.
Toni Malone

Toni Malone - September 17, 2021 at 07:27 PM

LM

“ *To Michael, Bonnie, & Sisters:
We are very sorry to hear about the loss of your mom. Even though we didn't know her, but when our mom passed in 200, you became our friend, and have been ever since and your kindness helped us in our time of sorrow. Please know that we are there for you'll in any way.
I know you have fond memories of her, so hold on to the memories. From the picture, you look just like your mom.
We are keeping you'll in our prayers.
Vincent & Lillie Mitchell-Smith
Marlo, Cherry, Mitch, Odessa & Family*

Lillie Mitchell-Smith - September 16, 2021 at 10:04 AM

BM

“ *Aunt Mary and Herbert's house was my second home growing up. She feed me and did my hair. She was a sweet, easy going, loving soul.*

Brenda Marshall - September 16, 2021 at 07:15 AM

BM

Her late Husband, Herbert was raised with my late mother, Recie L. Marshall. So he and cousin Walter Allen, were like Uncles to me.

Bruce E Marshall - September 16, 2021 at 09:55 AM

VJ

To Michael, Lisa and the rest of the family, I hope you have comfort in knowing that your mother was a kind and Christian lady. I know Ms. Mary loved the lord and she leaves that legacy with you all. Please know that I am constantly praying for you all. May God keep you covered and in the palm of his hand.

Vanessa Jones - September 16, 2021 at 09:16 PM



May God bless and comfort family.

Bruce E Marshall - September 30, 2021 at 05:56 PM