



Thelma Virginia Kersey

April 13, 1943 - April 6, 2022

Celebrating the Life of Thelma Virginia Ballard Kersey

Thelma Virginia Ballard Kersey, a loving wife, mother, sister, and grandmother, died peacefully in her sleep on April 06, 2022, at the age of seventy-eight (78). Born on April 13, 1943 in Somerset County, Maryland, she was the daughter of the late Viola and Charles Ballard.

She was educated in the public schools of the Somerset County school system. Although Thelma held numerous jobs in the area throughout the years, her most important job was being a mother to her eleven (11) children, as well as numerous grandchildren and all the neighborhood children.

As an active member of Waters Chapel United Methodist Church in Marion, Maryland, Thelma could be counted on for whatever was needed. She willingly and unselfishly gave of her time and talents to serve the Lord and anyone who was in need. She will be remembered fondly and lovingly for her sense of humor, being a great seamstress and her loving and generous personality. She will greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Thelma leaves precious memories with: her husband of sixty-one (61) years, Ernest S. Kersey, Sr. of Kingston, MD, as well as her eight surviving children

—Lydia Peterson, Kaven (Laure) and Tinna and Raymond (Priscilla) Kersey, all of Frederick MD, Carol, Nathan, and Jennifer Kersey, all of Princess Anne, MD as well as Eric Kersey of Hickory, NC; three surviving siblings, Leroy (Leola) Ballard of Laurel, Delaware, Bessie (William) Dickerson of Pocomoke City, MD and Delores (Lionel) James, of Salisbury, MD; 14 grandchildren; 23 great grandchildren and 1 great great grandchild; 2 godchildren, Thelma Douglas and John Gordy, Jr., both of Princess Anne, MD and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and many friends.

She was preceded in death by 3 children Ernest, Jr., Nicole, and Margaret Kersey, 2 sisters, Josephine Handy and Shirley Ballard, 3 Brothers, Wesley Ballard, Hewitt Ballard and Calvin Waters as well as her mother and father, Viola and Charles Ballard.

She will truly be missed by all.

Lovingly Submitted ~ The Family

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 14. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Bennie Smith Funeral Home - Princess Anne
30479 Prince William St.
Princess Anne, MD 21853
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Visitation

APR 15. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

APR 15. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Live Stream Broadcast on Facebook

APR 15. 12:00 PM.

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<http://Facebook>

*Live Stream will be available after service starts, on our website, under Photos and Videos
Benniesmithfuneralhome.com*

Tribute Wall

TA

“ *Tara lit a candle in memory of Thelma Virginia Kersey*



Tara - October 27, 2022 at 12:32 PM

TA

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Tara - April 15, 2022 at 07:48 PM

DW

“ *May God continue to be with the family during this sorrowful time. My condolences. Dana Walston*

Dana Walston - April 15, 2022 at 04:56 PM

YL

“ *your daughter Lydia purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Thelma Virginia Kersey.*



your daughter Lydia - April 14, 2022 at 09:58 AM



“ *Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thelma Virginia Kersey.*



April 13, 2022 at 09:51 PM



“ *Bright and Beautiful Spray was purchased for the family of Thelma Virginia Kersey.*



April 12, 2022 at 06:10 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Tara - April 12, 2022 at 05:22 PM



“ *Tara sent a virtual gift in memory of Thelma Virginia Kersey*



Tara - April 12, 2022 at 02:00 PM

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“ Tara lit a candle in memory of Thelma Virginia Kersey



Tara - April 12, 2022 at 01:59 PM

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“ You are forever my sunshine...

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