



Bertha Bernice Pannell

February 27, 1934 - December 29, 2015

Bertha Bernice Pannell was born February 27, 1934 to the union of the late Herbert Allen and Viola Fox of Mechanicsville, Virginia. She was preceded in death by her husband, Elder Thomas J. Pannell, Sr. She entered eternal life on Tuesday, December 29, 2015. She was educated in the Hanover County Public School System.

Bernice realized when she was a young woman that she needed a Savior, expressing this need she confessed her sins, attended the Greater Nazarene Baptist Church, along with sisters and brothers. She gave her life to Jesus Christ, was baptized and became a member where she served for many years. Under the leadership of Reverend Rufus Adkins, she served diligently on the Senior Usher ministry. Also in later years, as she grew in her spiritual walk, was installed as a Deaconess and served with her heart.

Under the leadership of Pastor Lorenzo Nicholson, Sr., Deaconess Bernice, affectionately known to family and friends, worked at Richmond Memorial Hospital (now Bon Secours Memorial Regional) until her retirement. It was well known that Bernice loved to decorate the church for various occasions. Serving others was a joy to her. How could anyone forget how she loved to travel, walk in the malls; oh yeah, she had to shop wherever she traveled. She wore her hats like a crown of glory!

She leaves to cherish their memory of her; a daughter, Marie Banks((Leroy), a son James White, three grandchildren; five sisters, Doris Wingfield, Susie Steward(Robert), Carolyn Fowlkes(Linwood), Marilyn Brooks, Patricia Bagby(Keith), three brothers, George Washington(Jacqueline) Jerry Washington and Thomas Allen, a host of other nieces, nephews, family members and friends.

“Bernice” will be remembered having a very quiet spirit. You could see the love she had for God, family and friends. Although, many were family at Greater Nazarene, however, she treated all like family even visitors where you couldn’t tell the difference.

“Bernice” keep smiling!

Cemetery Details

Signal Hill Memorial Park & Mausoleum

12360 Hanover Courthouse Road
Hanover, VA 23069

Previous Events

viewing

JAN 5. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Chapel
Richmond, VA 23222

Family Hour

JAN 5. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Service

JAN 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Bertha Bernice Pannell*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *My sincere condolences during your time of sorrow. Our heavenly Father assures us that he cares for your family. 1Pet.5:7*

Sharon Harris - January 04, 2016 at 08:24 AM



“ *How could I ever forget you? You loved me before I knew it and never stopped! You gave a piece of your heart away to each person you met! I will love and miss you until the end of time!*

Your Sister, Carolyn



Carolyn Fowlkes - January 01, 2016 at 06:37 PM



“ *To the family, sorry for your loss. I will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers on today and the days ahead. God bless you all.*

Linda J. - December 31, 2015 at 07:09 PM



“ I keep staring at your picture beautiful picture this is so unreal. I am going to miss you so much. Your soft spoken voice and we laughed and shared stories. I will forever cherish your wisdom and the love that you gave me as a little girl and now a adult. Tell the rest of the family I said "Hello" and give my mom a big hug and kiss from me. Until we meet again Love Always Auntie Bernice, Karen. Rest in Paradise until we meet again!

Karen Washington King - December 31, 2015 at 01:19 PM

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“ The Holton Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Bertha Bernice Pannell



The Holton Family - December 31, 2015 at 07:07 AM

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“ The Holton Family lit a candle in memory of Bertha Bernice Pannell



The Holton Family - December 31, 2015 at 07:06 AM

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“ Sorry for your loss, may GOD give you comfort in your time of need. 2Corinthians I :3,4.

Carolyn - December 31, 2015 at 06:04 AM

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We are sorry for your loss. Will be praying for you on today and the days ahead. God bless you all.

The Holton Family - December 31, 2015 at 07:02 AM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

March Funeral Homes - December 30, 2015 at 04:22 PM