



Bessie L. Rodgers

February 27, 1918 - August 27, 2005

On August 27, 2005, Bessie E. Rodgers responded to her Savior's call and entered into eternity after a lengthy illness. Bessie E. Rodgers, the older of two children, born on January 27, 1918 to the late Lillie Giddins and William H. Webb in North Hampton County, Virginia. Bessie received her early education in Wierwood and Norfolk, Virginia. While in Norfolk, she met and married the late William Six. From this union five children were born. Two children preceded her in death, William Six, Jr. and Cora McFarland. After moving to Baltimore, Maryland, Bessie met and married Horace Rodgers. They remained devoted to each other for over fifty years. In the late forties, Bessie gave her life to the Lord at New Hope Baptist Church under the pastorate of Dr. William Nelson Stokes where she remained a member for over fifty years. She loved God, church and her family. Bessie was a member of the Usher Board and Prayer Band. Bessie was honored many times for her work in the church. She was a kind, loving, devoted mother and friend. Her known profession was to mother, feed, nurture and display kindness and love to all who were left in her care. This often included her family and friends. She was an excellent cook and was famous for her coconut cake and collard greens. Before she became ill, her hobbies were bowling, cooking, shopping and attending family gatherings. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. Left to cherish her memories are her husband, Horace Rodgers; three daughters, Bessie Black, Hallie Allen and Hilda Williams; two sisters-in-law, Sabra Rice and Margaret Webb; one daughter-in-law, Yvonne Six; two

sons-in-law, Chester McFarland and John Williams; nine grandchildren, Norman Black, Jr., Michael Williams, Curtis Williams, David Six, Eric Williams, Winston McFarland, Audrey Highsmith, Carlton Allen and Sheila M. Holt; a devoted niece, Karen Norris; two adopted daughters, Gwendolyn Franklin and Roberta Smith, two devoted friends, Louise Robinson and Jessie Belfield, a host of other relatives and friends.

Tribute Wall



“ *Bessie L. Rodgers*

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“ *Mr. Horace, My heart and prayers goes out to you and your family. I have been knowing you since I was 5 years old and you have always been a kind and helpful neighbor to me and my grandchildren. I will forever miss you and Mrs. Bessie. I loved you both. May she have eternal peace in Jesus name.##imported-begin##Brenda Royster##imported-end##*

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“ *Hallie, Bessie, Hilda and family please know that our prayers and love are with you during your time of sorrow. May the love of God bless and keep you always. Wait on the Lord and Be of Good Courage. Love and God Bless each of you Annie Norris and Kendrick.##imported-begin##Annie Norris##imported-end##*

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“ *Bessie & Family, Though there is great sadness in parting with someone so dear to your heart, may you find comfort in the thought that your loved one is now in a place of peace.##imported-begin##Donald & Doris Knotts##imported-end##*

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“ Sorry to hear about the death of your mother. God Bless!##imported-begin##Bobby Black Family##imported-end##

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“ To the family, Please accept my sincere sympathy. It is truly unfortunate that we have to, at times, experience the sorrow associated with the death of one we love. May you find comfort now and in the days to come from the wonderful hope found at Acts 24:15. It tells there, "and I have hope towards God...that there is going to be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous."##imported-begin##Gwen Winston##imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathy during your time of sorrow but know that the God of comfort is with you all during this time of tribulation. (2Corinthian 1:3-4) Due to the many unforeseen occurrences that brings tragedy to our lives Jehovah God promises one day soon Death will be no more (Rev 21:3-4) and his son have been given the authority to bring all those in the memorial tombs back to life. John 5:28-29 Just think there will come a time not only will death be no more but Jehovah promises that no one will have to say I'm sick according to Isaiah 33:24. I feel the need to express these words of hope because so many of us today treasure the gift of life and we do all we can to maintain it to hold on to it. That is why it hurts so badly when our loved ones die. With so many of us desiring life today no matter how good or bad it is we still want life here on earth. No one looks forward to that time of death. That is why I am under obligation by the spirit and love of God to share that hope that is in our near future that the righteous shall inherit the earth and reside upon it forever according to Psalms 37: 29 along with the above stated promises on a paradise and peaceful earth. We all can hold true to this everlasting promise because Isaiah 55:11 states all the words Jehovah have spoken WILL NOT RETURN WITHOUT RESULTS. What a wonderful prospect for our future especially enlight of the fact that Hebrews 6:18 States of God, it is IMPOSSIBLE for him to lie.##imported-begin##Carter##imported-end##

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