



Bessie Murchison

December 27, 1925 - September 27, 2021

On September 27, 2021, God heard the pleas and answered the call to transition His angel from earth to her heavenly home at the age of 95. Bessie G. Murchison was born on December 27, 1925 to the late Ella Anderson in Aberdeen, North Carolina. The family moved to Richmond, VA in her early years. Bessie married John Murchison, and of this union, they had 5 children. She was employed at the John Marshall Hotel for many years until forced to retire when they closed. Bessie spent her retirement years as a housewife nurturing and caring for her grandchildren, extended family, and friends.

Bessie enjoyed entertaining, dancing, playing cards, and solitaire when no one joined her. She was known for her southern glam of wearing skirts and fancy hats. However, don't let that fool you, she was always ready to rumble. Bessie's infamous words were "I will bop you upside your head" as she positioned herself to "play" fight with family and friends. Bessie was loving and caring, and an awesome cook. Her home was the place to be on Sundays. The smell of neckbones, fried chicken, collards and cabbage, yams, green beans, and rice pudding filled her home. Generously, she invited all visitors to indulge in Sunday dinner. Bessie's radiant smile and energetic spirit was contagious. She will truly be missed by family and friends.

Bessie was preceded in death by her husband, John Henry Murchison Sr; son, Tony Lee Murchison; daughter, Joyce Mundy; siblings, Sally Dennis,

David Anderson, Ellen Anderson, Charlotte Petty, Harry Anderson, and Gladys Peterson; and granddaughter, Pamela Sephas.

She leaves to cherish her memories five generations of loved ones; daughters, Ella Mickens, Geneva Kelly; sons John Murchison Jr., Herbert Murchison; 12 grandchildren; Joyce Burrell, Susie Ohree, Renae Shaw, Xavier Mickens, Sonya Kelly, Marshea Taylor, Yolanda Kelly, Specidy Boone, Kamona Kelly, Mesuron Taylor, Monika Taylor White; 26 great grandchildren, 11 great-great-grandchildren, 1 great-great-greatgrandchild, nieces, nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

3101 Nine Mile Road
Richmond, VA 23223

Previous Events

Public Viewing

OCT 7. 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Ave.
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.
Richmond, VA 23222

Celebration of Life with live streaming

OCT 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.
Richmond, VA 23222

Tribute Wall



“ *To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Bessie Murchison, Please Click the Link below.*



March Funeral Homes - October 04, 2021 at 09:28 AM



“ *Bessie Murchison*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 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 - September 30, 2021 at 12:48 PM