



Bessie A. Powell

May 20, 1917 - February 17, 2021

BESSIE MALONE POWELL, daughter of Archie and Mary Malone, was born on May 20, 1917 in Baltimore, Maryland at Johns Hopkins Hospital. She was raised in Blackstone, Virginia. Bessie joined Springhill Baptist Church and was baptized at the very early age of ten. She attended Nottoway County School where she graduated high school. Soon afterward she returned to Baltimore and worked as a babysitter, at Naron Candy Company and as a caretaker for the elderly. On July 26, 1942 Bessie was united in holy matrimony to the late Junious F. Powell, who was a butcher by profession. From this union there were two children, Edna and Cheryl. She joined Providence Baptist Church on April 18, 1948 where she remained a faithful member until her death. Bessie was a member of the Floral Club, which she loved, and always said it was her other family. She was inducted as a Charter Member of the Century Circle, and was a member of the Four Score and Circle and Ten Circle. On February 7, 2016 she was recognized for being the oldest member of Providence, who marched into the new church on Sunday, February 1, 1981. On October 27, 2019 she became the sole member of the Century Circle. Bessie was "Miss January" in March Funeral Home's annual calendar in 2018 which featured centenarians. Bessie was a loving and kind person always willing to help someone. She was known to the children in the neighborhood as Nana and Miss Nana. She was a wonderful mother and grandmother, and always talked to us about going to church and to do what was right. Her favorite terms of endearment were "sugar pie" and "love you more". Bessie passed away on

February 17, 2021. She leaves behind to cherish her memory: two daughters, Cheryl Horton (Walter) and Edna Dorsey; two grandchildren, William Hackett Jr. (Cynthia) and William Dorsey; three great-grandsons, Maison and Chase Hackett and William Dorsey, Jr.; her dear friends, Estella Brock, Marlene Feaster and Sarah Tindall; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Garden Of Eternal Hope

1500 Deer Park Road
Finksburg, MD

Previous Events

Public Viewing

FEB 25. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Providence Baptist Church
1401 Pennsylvania Ave
Baltimore, MD

Wake

FEB 25. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Bessie A. Powell*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Marie Peterson and Son Damian Peterson purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Bessie A. Powell.*



Marie Peterson and Son Damian Peterson - February 24, 2021 at 05:22 PM



“ *Remembering some things Ms. Bessie, enjoyed, like miniature golf, church, shared with me by daughter Cheryl. She had a Blessed Life. A great caregiver, Cheryl. To God be the Glory 🙏*

Carole Jackson - February 24, 2021 at 02:38 PM



“ *Carole Jackson lit a candle in memory of Bessie A. Powell*



Carole Jackson - February 24, 2021 at 02:32 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bessie A. Powell.



February 24, 2021 at 02:30 PM



“ Mrs. Powell was an amazing neighbor. A long time resident of Whittier Ave, my childhood was all the better because of her presence. When I was a teenager, my mom went back to school. Often times I would get home before both of my parents. I knew I could always knock on her door. She would make dinner and we ate in the kitchen watching the news on her box tv. Those are some of my fondest memories. I will always cherish all she poured into me. I miss and love you.

Lovingly,
Theresa Bruce

Theresa Bruce - February 23, 2021 at 03:12 PM



“ 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 - February 23, 2021 at 01:01 PM

AB

Mrs. Powell was a loving, kind, and thoughtful person. i remember how she always helped others including myself and hours of talking where we shared numerous ideas. I miss and love you.

Annett Bruce

Annett Bruce - February 25, 2021 at 12:13 AM

EB

There shall be no nights there nor light from the sun, and she shall need no candle. For the Lord God giveth her light and she shall reign for ever and ever.

Eliza Banks

Eliza Banks - February 25, 2021 at 03:02 PM

JL

I grew up on Whitter Ave. where I first met Mrs. Powell. She was always so kind to me and would always speak and welcome me to her house. She always seem to be happy with her infectious smile. She was hard person not to like. She was part of the family the community help to create on Whitter Ave. The last of a dying breed. She had a lot of class as did her daughter, Cheryl.

*Death leaves a heartache no one can heal,
love leaves a memory no one can steal.*

John Lane

John Lane - March 04, 2021 at 04:56 PM