



Emma Lee Bradley

August 21, 1943 - October 1, 2025

Legacy of Love

Pastor Emma Lee Bradley—affectionately known as “The Pastor, The Evangelist”—and to the family “Aunt Dinnie” departed this life for her eternal home on October 1, 2025. She was born on August 21, 1943, in Richmond, Virginia, to the late Jimmie and Josephine Bradley. She was preceded in death by her daughter Patricia Williams; son Calvin Thomas; sisters Mary Henderson Epps and Roberta Baptiste; and brothers Peter, Jimmie Jr., and Samuel Bradley.

From a young age, Pastor Bradley devoted her life to the work of the Lord. Her spiritual journey began at St. James United Holy Church in Richmond, Virginia. Known for her bold, spirited preaching, powerful singing, and fervent praying, she became a beacon of faith and strength to all who knew her. Throughout her ministry, she conducted numerous revivals across Virginia and beyond, leading countless souls to Christ and inspiring believers everywhere she went.

Over the years, Evangelist Bradley served faithfully as a willing worker, servant leader, and pastor within several congregations, including Gethsemane COGIC (New York), Redeem COGIC (Richmond), and Tower of Deliverance/Kingdom Family Worship Center (Fredericksburg). She also co-

pastored New Vision Ministries, founded Helping Hands Outreach Ministry, and was a founding member of the Royal Sisters Prayer Clinic. One of her greatest joys was traveling with her sisters, conducting prayer clinics, and ministering to churches throughout the region.

Her ministry touched many lives through her anointed singing—especially her beloved renditions of “God Specializes” and “Go Tell the World About Jesus.” Among her many powerful messages, two that stood out were “The Heart of the Matter is the Heart” and “What to Do When You Don’t Know What to Do.” Her words continue to uplift all who remember her voice.

In recognition of her dedication and calling, Evangelist Bradley was later elevated to Elect Lady of the International Evangelist Department, Church of God in Christ, Region 7.

A native of Chester, she graduated from Carver High School before moving to New York City, where she lived with her sister Lula. She attended nursing school, became a CNA, and worked at Harlem Hospital. Following her mother’s passing, she lovingly took in several siblings to raise and later returned to Richmond, where she was employed by Philip Morris and later worked more than a decade as a Private Duty Nurse for the Schwartzchild family.

Pastor Bradley lived a full and purposeful life—firm yet loving, protective, resourceful, spiritual, and generous. She was a leader, nurturer, and prayer warrior whose presence filled every room with wisdom, laughter, and strength.

She leaves to cherish her memory and continue her legacy: her beloved grandchildren Sheretta Thomas, Dominique Thomas, Roshawn Thomas, Calvin Worthington, Pierre Thomas, and Sam Thomas; numerous great-grandchildren; sisters Lula Jennings, Rebecca Williams (John), Katie Herbert,

Josephine Bradley, Runa Moseley, Alberta Rollins (Melvin Sr.); brother Raymond Bradley; special goddaughter LaTonia "Nikki" Baptiste; and a host of nieces, nephews, godchildren, spiritual children, relatives, and dear friends.

Pastor Emma Lee Bradley's faith, strength, and love will continue to live on in the hearts of all who were blessed to know her. Her work on earth is done, but her light will never fade.

Cemetery Details

Maury Cemetery

2700 Maury Street
Richmond, VA 23224

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 13. 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes
2110 E Laburnum Ave
Richmond, VA 23222-2413
(804) 321-4200

Family Hour

OCT 13. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

OCT **14**. 11:00 AM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - Laburnum Chapel
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Richmond, VA 23222
(804) 321-4200
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Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

March Funeral Homes - October 14, 2025 at 09:03 AM



“ *March Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Emma Lee Bradley*



March Funeral Homes - October 06, 2025 at 04:40 PM

DR

“ *Ma Dinnie what can I say when I hear the news of your passing, I was sadden but when I think of the life you lived I can smile. You were a woman of God and I know how you loved Him. Family I pray that God will strengthen your hearts and comfort your souls. I won't say Good-bye but I will say I'll see you when I get there... Rest Easy Woman of God*



Diane Randall - October 14, 2025 at 02:35 PM

DM

“ Heaven definitely has gained an angel , so many memories at Redeem COGIC with Ma Dunny as we called her growing up to adulthood , she would fuss at you, love you , and feed you at the same time and a true friend to our mom Junne-Ann . Sending hugs of comfort to her family .

Dee - Dee Miller - October 14, 2025 at 10:39 AM

DE

“ The Family, It comes to this knowing; It's never easy when a loved one is no longer here, but it becomes bearable having the joy of beautiful memories remain to embrace you during the moments of intense sadness. May God's Peace continue to strengthen you all through this storm.
~Love & Prayers Dr. Linda M. Eddings & Family



Dr. L.M. Eddings - October 13, 2025 at 09:44 PM

GV

“ Greater New Life Church, White Plains VA purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Emma Lee Bradley.



Greater New Life Church, White Plains VA - October 12, 2025 at 08:41 PM

SB

“ She will truly be missed. I'm Lil Calvin mother and she was a blessing to my sons and me. I will cherish memories of her forever. Now she can rest in heaven with Big Calvin and Pat.

Sabrina “Carol” Brown - October 12, 2025 at 12:01 PM

LW

“ I was introduce to Pastor Bradley when I was about 19 to 20 years old. She gave me a prophecy about being reunited with my biological parents. And it came to pass. Because of the love and respect I have for her, I gave my second child ,her name. she will be missed greatly.

Lottie Williams - October 11, 2025 at 04:23 PM

PB

“ Pastor Emma Bradley one of the greatest anointed full of authority full of power women of God that stood alongside my mother Apostle e h. Bagley. Just like a mother to me. My children became her children. All you ever saw was the anointing over her life. Praying! Propheying singing and preaching the truth. This will be another great word that's carried up taken up from the Earth out of the flower garden of Jesus who will be greatly missed by me personally. I love you Pastor. Thank you for all the prophecies the prayers and the love that you gave to me that you poured into me. I know you and Apostle rejoicing women of God. Take your rest from labor to reward. I love you always in my heart in my in my prayers for the family.

Prophetess Linda Bagley - October 10, 2025 at 07:07 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 - October 06, 2025 at 04:40 PM