



Deaconess Marie Shirley Dickerson

April 18, 1942 - April 14, 2026

Legacy of Love

Deaconess Marie Shirley Dickerson, 83, of Goochland, Virginia, entered into eternal rest on April 14, 2026, surrounded by love and the comforting presence of her devoted granddaughter, Jasmin Eddings.

Born on April 18, 1942, in Goochland, Virginia, Marie was the treasured daughter of Lucille Woodson. Rooted in the same soil that shaped her gentle spirit, she attended Goochland County Schools and carried with her throughout life the values of strength, humility, and kindness. She later dedicated many faithful years to McDonald's, where her warm smile and caring nature made her not just an employee but a light in the lives of all who crossed her path. She retired having left behind not just years of service, but a legacy of love.

To know Marie was to feel love in its purest form. She was the quiet strength of her family, the soft place to land, the steady presence that made everything feel whole. Her sweetness was not just something she showed—it was who she was. A devoted member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Marie served faithfully on various committees, giving her time and heart as an expression of her deep and abiding faith.

She found joy in the simple, beautiful rhythms of life. The kitchen was her gathering place, where meals became memories and love was always the main ingredient. She found peace by the water while fishing, freedom in music, and joy in dancing. Above all, she cherished her family—every laugh, every story, every moment spent together was something she held close.

Marie's life was a reflection of quiet grace, unwavering love, and a heart that gave without asking for anything in return. She lifted others, cared deeply, and loved endlessly. Her presence was a gift, and her absence will be deeply felt.

She leaves to cherish her precious memory her daughter, Emma Newkirk; her sons, Ronald Dickerson and Adam Dickerson; her grandchildren, Jasmin Eddings, Ronnie Newkirk, Clinton Dickerson Jr., Nicholas Newkirk, Ivory Cunningham, Shelita Cunningham, and Aja Hamilton; her dutiful niece, Carol Waddy; and a host of extended grandchildren, great-grandchildren, extended family, and dear friends who were all touched by her love.

She is reunited in peace with her beloved son, Clinton Dickerson Sr., who preceded her in death.

Though she may be gone from our sight, her love remains woven into the hearts of all who knew her—guiding, comforting, and enduring.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Olive Baptist Church Cemetery

1630 Manakin Road
Manakin Sabot, VA 23103

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **25**. 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes
2110 E. Laburnum Ave
Richmond, VA 23222

Funeral Ceremony

APR **26**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Olive Baptist Church
1630 Manakin Road
Manakin Sabot, VA 23103.

Tribute Wall

JD

“ Marie was a loving caring person with a beautiful smile her memory will always be in our hearts and missed by all

jacquelin Dickerson - April 26 at 08:18 AM

VK

“ Emma you and your family has my condolences sorry for your lost.

Veronica Kenney - April 24 at 12:44 PM

SS

“ Sophia & Erica Staton purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Deaconess Marie Shirley Dickerson.



Sophia & Erica Staton - April 24 at 09:24 AM

AH

“ 1 file added to the album Marie Dickerson



Ann Hsmpton - April 23 at 04:54 PM

RH

Ma you will truly be missed and always loved!

Renee Hampton

Renee Hampton - April 23 at 05:00 PM

AH

My husband and I would like to express our sincere condolences to the family of Marie Dickerson. We met her over 20 years ago and knew her as a kind lady who loved her family. May God grant you comfort at this difficult time.

Ann Hampton - April 23 at 05:03 PM

JA

“ *Nanny, I know you're at peace but I miss you so muuucchhh!!!*

Jasmin - April 21 at 08:58 PM

PA

“ *To the Dickerson family, We the entire Mount Olive Baptist church family extend our heartfelt sympathy and condolences to you during this difficult time, just know that we are only a phone call away.
Isaiah 35:10 Let's us know that Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cant heal!!!*

Pastor Wayne Allen - April 21 at 08:06 AM

FC

Emma... I'm so sorry to hear about your Mom... She was a wonderful and kind Lady... I Loved talking to her when we worked together..... and I Enjoyed working with you too.... We had some good times 😊.... I'm sending you and your family My Condolences 🌸❤️

FLORENCE COLEMAN - April 21 at 01:10 PM

AW

*Emma your mom was moma D to me she always had that smile on her face and was a great person to talk to and work with. So many beautiful memories was shared. I'm glad I got the pleasure in meeting you both. May God continue to to watch over you all at this difficult time
Adelaide Wood*

Adelaide Wood - April 25 at 01:33 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 - April 18 at 08:40 AM