



Mary Rhodessia Bledsoe

June 1, 1930 - August 12, 2014

The Sun rose on the life of Mary Rhodessia Bledsoe on June 1, 1930 in Lunenburg County, VA. Mary was the oldest of 3 children born to the late Rosetta Roberts and the late Jack Rainey.

Mary was a domestic worker for several families in the Richmond area. Many of her dedicated years were spent with the Ellis family.

In her early, "Dessia", as she was fondly called, married the late John Franklin and later married the late Henry Lumes Bledsoe.

Mary joined the New Grove Baptist Church in Kenbridge, VA. at an early age and was faithful until moving to the Richmond area. She was an active member and served in many capacities at several churches in Richmond, until uniting with the Sharon Baptist Church.

Mary leaves to cherish her fond memories, a devoted family whom will miss her dearly. Her legacy includes, four daughters, Diane Barnett, Wilma Nicholas (Tyrone), Edith Garris and Corrine Bledsoe Edwards; a devoted step-daughter, Linda Copeland, three sons, James Rainey (Doris), Edward Franklin and Richard Franklin; a devoted stepson, Roger Harper (Angela); a devoted granddaughter Chrisandra Franklin, three sisters, Lonell Maddux, Jeanette Thompson and Prula Watkins; four brothers, Lawrence Rainey,

George Rainey, Marvin Rainey and the late Willie "Mack" Tisdale;an aunt, Mary Greene; and a host of grandchildren, great grandchildren,nieces,nephews,relatives and friends.

The sun suddenly set on the life of Mary Rhodessia Bledsoe on Tuesday, August 12, 2014

Cemetery Details

New Grove Baptist Church Cemetery

32 New Grove Road
Kenbridge, VA 23944

Previous Events

viewing

AUG 15. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Chapel
Richmond, VA 23222

Family Hour

AUG 15. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Service

AUG 16. 11:00 AM (ET)

Sharon Baptist Church
22 E. Leigh Street
Richmond, VA

Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Rhodessia Bledsoe*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Celestine Hatcher-Ellis lit a candle in memory of Mary Rhodessia Bledsoe*



Celestine Hatcher-Ellis - August 14, 2014 at 10:16 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. The death of a loved one is the most difficult thing we deal with. I wanted to take this time to express my condolences to you for your loss. May you find comfort from Jehovah God's word the Bible. (Psalms 83:18) The Bible promises: "there is going to be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous." (Acts 24:15) Jehovah God assures us that our dear dead loved ones will receive a resurrection to a restored beautiful paradise earth. (Isaiah 65:21,22) You can have the hope of being reunited with your dear dead loved ones here on earth. (John 5:28,29) The Bible also assures us: "And the last enemy, death, is to be brought to nothing." (1Corinthians 15:26) Death will be removed from all the earth. Tears of sorrow will vanish. No one will die from natural causes or weep. These are promises that will soon be a reality. (Hebrews 6:18) May you find comfort from these promises. And may Jehovah God of all comfort be with you. (2Corinthians 1:3,4)*

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sherries lee - August 13, 2014 at 06:52 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 - August 13, 2014 at 06:00 PM

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I HAVE HAD MANY TALKS WITH MRS BLEDSOE IN MY DAY, SHE WAS A VERY PLEASANT LADY. SHE WAS MY NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOR AND I VISITED AND TALKED WITH HER OFTEN, WHEN THEY COULD NOT FIND ME AT HOME, I WAS NEXT DOOR VISITING MRS. BLEDSOE, YOU SURE WILL BE MISSED BY FAMILY AND I. ANOTHER FLOWER ADDED TO GOD'S GARDEN. FAMILY HOLD ON TO GOD UNCHANGING HAND, HE GOT HER IN HIS CARE NOW, BE ENCOURAGE CELESTINE ELLIS, THE HATCHER FAMILY SEND THEIR LOVE.

BEULAH CELESTINE ELLIS - August 14, 2014 at 10:29 PM