



Vera M. Arvin

December 6, 1945 - December 17, 2009

On December 6, 1945, the Lord sent us one of His most precious butterflies, VERA M. ARVIN. She was born to the late Virginia Bolling and Raymond Ayers in Towson, MD. She was the youngest of twenty siblings.

On December 17, 2009 she was called home to be with the Lord. She received her education in Baltimore City Public Schools. She had a cast career resume, as she was most recently employed at March Funeral Homes, the Hippodrome Theater and the MTA Safety Department. Vera was a longtime member of the Mt. Zion Hill Baptist Church.

In September of 1983, she married the late Adolphus Arvin. Together they raised her three children and his four. Vera was known for her love of traveling, her sense of style and great sense of humor. She would always lend a helping hand and open up her home to those who were in need. She made friends in every city that she visited, especially the Bahamas, which she considered her first home. She also had a deep passion for cooking and catering. Although Vera acquired many "children" throughout her life, there was nothing to deny her love of her children, grandchildren and great-grandson, Juwan. She touched many lives throughout her life, and she will be deeply missed.

She leaves to cherish her precious memory: her children, Michelle, Charles

and Robin Ayers; her adopted children, Jimmy Briscoe, Wilma Bland and Eddie Satterfield; her grandchildren, Michelle Bland, Tiara Williams, Barbara, Brian and Courtney Ayers; her great-grandson, Juwan Graves; her sister, Dorothy Briscoe; and a host of other relatives and friends.

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“ Vera M. Arvin

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“ To the family of Ms Vera: I usually have something encouraging to write but my heart is truly heavy right now. I am at a loss of words. I can accept what has happened but I am still asking GOD for help understanding why... I would like to thank you all for sharing her with me and my family. She was one of the sweetest, loving and caring person that I know. I will never find a true friend outside of my mother, like her again. She was truly one of a kind. I am praying for your strength right now. Please continue to TRUST GOD because everything that he does is GOOD. We might not understand it right now, but we'll understand it better by and by.##imported-begin##Trish Johnson##imported-end##

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“ Thank Ms. Vera for always making me laugh. You are a very special woman and I will truly miss you. I know you are now making the angels laugh. To your family, May God continue to comfort each and every one of you. Continue to love one another when times get hard. Please know if you need anything, I mean anything, please don't hesitate to let me know. Ms Vera was always there when my family needed her. So now it's our turn to do something for you. God Bless, Mona##imported-begin##Ramona Cole##imported-end##

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“ my condolences goes to the family for the loss of your dear love may you find comfort in God's word the bibe at Johhn 5:29,29 which shows that soon Jehovah will bring back our love one's may you find comfort in God's word the bibe###imported-begin###Derek farmer###imported-end###

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“ To Aunt Vera: Words can't express how much I love you and will miss you! I just can't stop crying. I just don't understand why you had to leave so soon. I am praying for everyone in my family, for GOD to watch over us and give us strength to get through this. You already know just how much you will be missed. I keep thinking about all the things I did with you growing up and times that I have shared with you it's supposed to make things easier but it's making it even harder because I know that I won't be able to see you anymore. I know you are in a better place and for that I am thankful but I wish you were still here. To Michelle, Robin, Chucky, Tee-Tee & Courtney I just want you all to know that I love you and if you EVER need a shoulder to cry on or just someone to talk to that understands I am always here. Aunt Vera was a second grandmother to me and my sister and I will always thank GOD for putting her in my life.###imported-begin###Crystal Briscoe-Tennessee###imported-end###

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“ To the family of 'Gi-Gi': Words cannot express the heartfelt condolences that my family are extending to you at this time. Lady T we love you and Juwan so much. Gi-Gi will be missed.###imported-begin###Evangelist (Senora) Cindy Willis###imported-end###

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“ We sincerely offer our condolences to the family and friends of Vera. We only knew Vera for the last 5 years, since the Hippodrome re-opened, she was a house manager for us many times, guiding us in our ushering duties. We will always remember her friendly smiles and hellos, but mostly we will remember her warm and sincere hugs that will last forever in our memories. We will miss her so much!!!##imported-begin##Vicki & Lee Elder##imported-end##

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“ Words cannot describe how I'm feeling at this moment. To the family, God Bless You in your time of sorrow. Mrs. Vera aka Gi-Gi will be missed by her Heaven 600 bowling crew. To Juwan grandmom loved you so dearly. She used to talk to me about you often. We love you and if you need anything let me know. To God be the glory.##imported-begin##Pam Jackson##imported-end##

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“ I am quite saddened by the loss of a dear friend and former co-worker. Vera was a beautiful woman inside and out and she love and cherished and touched so many lives.May her legacy live on in her children and grandchildren. My deepest sympathies to the Arvin family may you be encouraged during these sad times##imported-begin##DEE bullard##imported-end##

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“ Family, we were absolutely stunned to hear of Vera’s passing. We genuinely share what many here express; a great loss and a heavy heart. I will always remember her as a shining light, one who would really listen to you, make you laugh and even convince you everything was going to work out. I am most grateful that she handled our blended family with understanding, kindness and love and how she and Eggie accepted me as one of their own. That meant the world to both me and my wife. We will keep that glowing smile of hers in our heart and memories. “Rest Dear Vera, we wish you perfect peace.” Wayne & Ann Alford Lorton, Va##imported-begin##Wayne & Ann Alford##imported-end##

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“ The Johnson Family (Homewood Ave.) would like to extend our sincere sympathy to your family. May God Bless and Keep you. To her children and grandchildren (John 14: 1-3) Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: If it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.##imported-begin##Zelda Johnson##imported-end##

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“ Aunt Vera you will truly be missed. I know we were not that close but you are loved and will be missed. Tony Brown and Family##imported-begin##Tony Brown##imported-end##

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“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the family of Ms. Vera. As I work with Ms. Vera for a short time, the one thing which i'll always remember is the care & concern she had for people. Then years later I met her niece who has the same care & concern. Your family will surely miss you. To her family please know God will guide and direct you through your time of sorrow. I'm just a call away if you ever need.##imported-begin##Alexandria##imported-end##

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“ Our prayers and thoughts go out to your family. We worked with Vera and her daughter Robin at AT&T. She was a great person to be around and was always willing to help out anybody. May God bless her family during this tough time.##imported-begin##Ed & Lynn McQuarrie##imported-end##

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“ To the Family of Ms. Arvin, please accept my sincere sympathy in the passing of your loved one. May you find some comfort in the words of Isaiah 25:8, where Jehovah God promises that very soon he will swallow up death forever and wipe the tears from all faces"##imported-begin##Marilyn Wright##imported-end##

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“ Grandma, my heart is so heavy right now and i miss you so much, i would give anything to have you back!!!! i need you you are my strength,my rock,my everything ,and my mother.GI GI juwan misses you so much i cant stop him from crying.But i know you will be our guardian angel and watch over us.we love u sooo..much and miss you and you will always live in our hearts forever.Special thanks to everyone for praying for us and sticking by us in this very trying time,we love you and appreciate everything you have done for our family! P.S. I always wondered why you loved butterflies??...its because ...you were one!! SO BEAUTIFUL..and now you finally grew your wings...and your flying with the lord and grandad.so RIP. WE LOVE YA BOTH!##imported-begin##Tee-Tee##imported-end##

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“ Thank you all who are praying for my grandma's soul and her family. GG I can't believe you're gone... I'm having such a hard time with this... How will my life be without you? How will the family be without you? I feel so empty right now. I pray this is a bad dream! I sat by your bedside every night and told you that we'd get through this... I prayed and begged the lord to heal your sickness... WHY????????? I am so hurt and angry right now. I wish I understood. I love you more than those words can convey. I can't wait to see you again. Love Courtney##imported-begin##Courtney##imported-end##

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“ Dear Family, It is with heartfelt sympathy that I write this message. Vera worked with us at the MTA for approximately two years. She was extremely dedicated and loyal to the position she held. Her work ethic told us at MTA a lot about her. Many of the staff will miss her tremendously. She would always call out your name adding the handle "Hey" so and so, while walking to the next assignment, so much energy... The halls and workspace she occupied here at the MTA will be empty, but I can assure you she will not be forgotten. We miss her and pray that God will comfort you with loving memories. God Bless you all. Dearest Vera, Thanks for all you brought our way with your loving spirit and your smile. MTA, Office of Safety, Quality Assurance and Risk Management. bb###imported-begin###Bernadette Bridges###imported-end###

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“ On Behalf of Pastor Prentice, Lady Prentice, and the Zion Baptist Church Family, we send prayers of comfort to the family of Sister Arvin. We were sadden to have received such news, but we know that God knows what is best for us. We will continue to lift you up in prayer, and we are here for you. Sylvia Thomas, Administrative Office###imported-begin###Sylvia Thomas###imported-end###

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“ Vera, I am just like everyone else in the family, I cannot begin to comprehend why you had to leave us. We were more like sisters than aunt and niece. I will love and miss you always and will never forget any of the great fun times we shared. Rest assured that I will be here for your children and grand children, especially Juwan.###imported-begin###Nanci James###imported-end###

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“ To the entire family my love and prayers are with you. I'll miss my girl and her cooking love ya !###imported-begin##Doresa Harvey###imported-end##

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“ All of Vera's many friends and co-workers at the Hippodrome Theatre are so deeply saddened by the tragic loss of such a caring, generous and beautiful lady with a great sense of humor. She will be truly missed. I extend my sincere sympathy to her family.###imported-begin##Karen Eske###imported-end##

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“ Mom - I really believed you would pull through and I now understand that God had a different agenda; He knows best. I will never let you go, Your spirit will always live in me. And one day, when my work is done: I will take the journey to join you again. Rest peacefully and spread your pretty butterfly wings where you can now sit with The King and your wonderful husband where there is peace and calm eternally. LOVE & MISS YOU MADLY!###imported-begin##Robin###imported-end##

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“ I met Miss Vera the final year the Mechanic Theatre was open, and worked with her at the Hippodrome. I have never known a spirit so beautiful, honest, and alive. I will never forget her smile, her laugh, or her love.###imported-begin##Joshua Singer###imported-end##

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“ Vera her daughter Robin and I were co-workers at AT&T. My prayers go out to her family, children and grandchildren. "Earth Has No Sorrow that HEAVEN Cannot Heal". We may not understand WHY GOD?, but always remember that no matter what we pray for, God always know what's BEST.##imported-begin##C.O. Williams##imported-end##

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“ our prayers and sincere sympathy are with you. god will take care of you. love maxine & tomika##imported-begin##Maxine Potillo Hobbs##imported-end##

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“ Vera, I will miss seeing you around at various church events and as a bowling friend. It was a great pleasure knowing you for all these years. Peace be with your family and the Blessings of our God and our Savior to all who's lives you touched. Cherie Tyler, from the Heaven 600 Bowling League.##imported-begin##Cherie M Tyler##imported-end##

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“ I just want to say may god bless and carry each and every family member my prayers are with you all god bless.##imported-begin##Denise Ellerbe##imported-end##

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“ Words can not express the sadness I feel with Vera's passing. She was always fun-loving and made me laugh when we worked together. Vera you will be missed but I know heaven has another angel! May God Bless the family!###imported-begin##Gabrielle Morton###imported-end##

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“ Dearest Family, I am deeply saddened to hear of the passing of your beloved Vera. Be encouraged; knowing that her labor was not in vain. According to Matthew 5:4' as Jesus saw the multitude he went up on a mountain, and when he was seated his disciples came to Him. He opened his mouth and taught them saying: Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Rest in his word. Vera loved life and her family. She is now rejoicing as she receives her reward in heaven. Be comforted in knowing that her redeemer lives and you will meet again someday. Peace be with you always.###imported-begin##Hope Maddox###imported-end##

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“ I know I left a message but I cannot get Vera out my mine she was such a kind hearted person to everyone she had a special place In my heart because she really was such an angel.I do not understand why she Is on my mine so strong.God knows she Is missed by every one that she came In contact with Vera I just want to say I am glad to have known such an angel that you still are a very special angel,I cannot stop thinking about her,may god continue to bless this family and know that she know longer Is suffering she Is at peace.I feel blessed to have known such a wonderful person.She was a people person that Is why she worked at both places god knew she was the right person for those jobs.May god continue to bless the family because he knew what he was doing he has a special assignment that only Vera can do.God bless###imported-begin##Denise Ellerbe###imported-end##

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“ TO THE FAMILY OF VERA ARVIN,WE THE CARTER FAMILY WAS DEEPLY SADDEN TO HEAR OF THE PASSING OF SIS.VERA. WE WILL NEVER FORGET HOW VERA TOOK CARE OF OUR MOTHER AND BROTHER WHEN THEY PASSED THERE WAS NOTHING SHE WOULDN'T DO TO HELP US THROUGH THAT TERRIBLE TIME BUT THAT WAS THE KIND OF SPIRIT SHE HAD ALWAYS CARING FOR OTHERS.NOW THAT VERA IS GONE TO BE WITH THE LORD,FAMILY REMEMBER THAT EARTH HAS NO SORROW THAT HEAVEN CAN NOT HEAL.###imported-begin##JEAN CARTER&FAMILY###imported-end##

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“ *My sympathy is with you always. I know how it feels to lose a loved one especially so close to the holidays*###imported-begin###*Kenda Paylor*###imported-end##

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“ *In Deepest Sympathy May time's passing somehow help to ease the loss of your Mother/Grandmother/Great Grandmother. And may the memories left behind bring comfort for tomorrow.*###imported-begin###*Kelita Blackwell Queen / AT&T*###imported-end##

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“ *Robin and family, I just want to say how sorry I am to hear of your loss. We worked together at AT&T and Vera was always a joy to be around. She was a sweet and funny lady and will be greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers go out to her family and friends.*###imported-begin###*Bob Ross*###imported-end##

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“ *To family of Mrs. Arvin, to be absent from the body is to be in the presence of the Lord. Mrs. Arvin's love & spirit will live on in each of you. Continue to make her proud knowing one day we will all meet again. God Bless you and be with you always!*###imported-begin###*Beverly Judge (Bowie MD)*###imported-end##

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“ Robin, shelly, and Chucky.words could never express the loss of a mother.my deepest sympathy to the family. Love puggie & family###imported-begin###corinthia Gwaltney###imported-end##

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“ My wife and I send the family and friends of Ms Vera our condolences at this emotionally trying time in your lives. Our Prayers are with you that The Lord will be tour Comforter. Know that even though your Hearts may be Heavy, The Word says this is a time to rejoice because Ms Vera is now with The Lord. God Bless.###imported-begin###Donnell&Amy Jordan###imported-end##

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“ Michelle,Robin,Chuckie,Courtney,Tee-Tee,Juwan,Nancy,Wilma,Shelly and the rest of the family...you have my deepest most heart felt condolences. Vera was like a second mother to me for many years and you'll are family. Although I lived just down the street I practically grew up in your house and because of that I have so many great memories of Vera. I cannot express into words how deeply saddened I am of this loss...its just unbelievable. Keeping you'll in my prayers, I love you Vera and will miss you so much!###imported-begin###(Lil) Carolyn Keyes###imported-end##

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“ My heart goes out to the family of Mrs.Arvin.Death is unnatural to Almighty God. In fact,he will 'actually swallow up death forever,and wipe the tears from all faces' by means of the resurrection (Isaiah 25:8).##imported-begin##A. Jackson##imported-end##

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“ my deepest sympathy goes out to the family. I will always treasure our ponchos we made on the clock. she was the sassiest woman and such a beautiful spirit. I truly will miss her.##imported-begin##Teresa L. Chapman##imported-end##

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“ Aunt Vera, We are all going to miss you so very much! Seems like yesterday when I brought Taylor to March to see you and to share my news about being a grandma. Just thinking back to that day...how did you know before I told you? You told me that you dreamed of me and Brandon just the night before. It still sends chills down my spine thinking about it. My only explanation is that you were and Angel here on earth. You were an amazing woman and I feel blessed to have been apart of your extended family. You meant a lot to so many people and for many different reasons. I love you and will keep all of my precious memories of you in my heart! Give Uncle Eggie a big hug for me. God Bless all of your children, grandchildren, Juwan, Aunt Nanci, Aunt Lynn, Aunt Bunnie and the rest of your family. I will continue to keep all of them in prayer.##imported-begin##Gayl Brooks##imported-end##

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“ Dearest Family, May you draw comfort from God's word the bible during this most difficult time. Keep in mind that almighty God has a yearning to undue all that death has caused. (Job 14:14,15)##imported-begin##Michelle##imported-end##

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“ I want to express my sympathy. It seems unfair that death has the power to take away someone we love. The Bible is comforting in this regard. It promises that our loved ones now dead will indeed live again. You can read these words at John 11: 20-27. May you find comfort and strength in God's word the Bible.##imported-begin##S. Brown##imported-end##

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