



## Bessie Brewer

March 12, 1934 - July 19, 2012

Family hour will take place at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 25, 2012 at Tabernacle Baptist Church, 810 Cathay Street, with the funeral commencing at 11:00 a.m. Rev. T.J. London, Pastor. Minister Trevis L. Ruffin will officiate. Friends may call at the church on Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. until time of service. Our beloved mother, grandmother and sister went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, July 19, 2012 at the age of 78 years. Bessie Mae Brewer was born on March 12, 1934 in Florence, AL, the daughter of Jessie and Emma (Peters) Turner. Mrs. Brewer was retired from the Buena Vista School District. She had many hobbies, such as cooking, decorating and singing gospel music. She will be sadly missed. Her memory will be cherished by four daughters, Joyce West, Dorothy Thomas, Marilyn Ginn and Brycandes (Trevis) Ruffin; one son, William (Linda) Brewer; one stepson, Steward Thompson; 20 grandchildren, Terrance Brewer, Satara Cunningham, Bakari West, Tamika and Tiffany Brewer, Howard Thomas, Jr., Brycandes Shipman, Trevis (Sparkle) Ruffin of Saginaw, MI, Cordon (Martina) Ruffin of Ohio, Torrian Brewer of Saginaw, MI, Ciara Ruffin of Grand Rapids, MI, Bryson Ruffin, Cordaryl Ginn, Jacobi, Ashley, Nolan and Tyler Brewer of Saginaw, MI, William D. Brewer of Florida, William Brewer of Milwaukee, WI and special grandson and son, Shaure J. Brewer (Marisa Perez); 53 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great-grandchildren; five sisters, Endia Loudon, Jessie B. (Luther) Strong, Odessa (John) Mangum, Portland, OR, Betty Jo Turner and Beverly Turner, both of Lima, OH; eight brothers, Robert Turner, Portland, OR, Larry,

Jessie, Lindsey, Dennis, Stanley, David and Richard Turner, all of Lima, OH; uncle, Ludie Turner; two sisters-in-law, Pearl (James) Wright and Earlene Anderson; three brothers-in-law, Bernard (Vivian) Brewer, James Brewer and Robert (Rosemary) Brewer; one Goddaughter, Romona Rankins; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends, including a special friend and cousin, Nancy Doxie, and special friends, Pecola Thompson and Eula Davis. Mrs. Brewer was preceded in death by her husband, William Lee Franklin Brewer; daughter, Wanta Atkins; grandson, Diallo West; great-granddaughter, Lauren Ginn; and her parents, Jessie and Emma Turner.

# Tribute Wall

TS

“ *My prayers go out to Kim and Family. May god guide you through these times. I'll keep all of you in my prayers. (Tracey Scott)*

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**Tracey Scott** - July 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ *To the family, our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time. Look to the hill from which cometh your help, all of your comes from the lord.*

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**Nelson Shannon** - July 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ *Ms. West, Robert and Rosemary, Fonnie, Kari, Tif and Mika*

*Praying with you all during your lost. Just as with any mother or grandmother, she was your rock and strength. I smile when I look back at our school days and who would get rescued by Ms. Brewer when they got in trouble (Fonnie) but how she was always there to nurture not just her own but other children too.*

*I count it an honor and a privilege to have been a seed that she waters and also to know many in the family as I did and still do.*

*Know to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord.*

*I am here for you. Just call.*

*Blessing to you all.*

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**Rosalyn Williams-Griffin** - July 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ I would like to express my deepest sympathy to the Brewer family, your mother was a great lady, I remember all the good old times when my mom, and I would come over to Mrs. Brewer house she was always so sweet, and kind those days I will never forget. My God Bless you all, and give you strength for the days ahead. When you are feeling down lift your head up, and say I believe, and God will help you through your rough times.

*Love, Marva & Mussette*

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**Marva Jones** - July 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ As a classmate of Kim's, I only met Mrs. Brewer a few times. But she was very nice and soft spoken. Kim, I pray for you and your family during this difficult time. I pray God's blessings upon you all and that you will remember your mom in the good times and be able to laugh and smile about your memories. God Bless. Cynthia

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**Cynthia Maise Hamilton** - July 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ To Joyce West and extended family:

*We the members of New Mt. Calvary M. B. Church Welcome Ministry extend you and your family our deepest heartfelt sympathy in the loss of Sis. Bessie Brewer. Her name was always listed in the bulletin on the "Sick and Shut-in" now her name is on the "Heavenly Roll Book" as another one of God's flowers picked from the garden. We are praying for you strength during the days ahead. Look to the hills from which cometh your help - ALL YOUR HELP COMES FROM THE LORD.*

*Humbly Submitted,  
New Mt. Calvary  
Welcome Ministry  
Sis. Sylvia George, Chairperson  
Rev. R. E. Donald, Pastor*

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**Sylvia George** - July 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ To the Brewer Family, I am sorry for your loss. Bessie was a good friend and co-worker for many many years and she will be truly missed. I will keep your family in my prayers. God Bless.

*Ruth M. Gaines*

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**Ruth M. Gaines** - July 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RY

“ To the Brewer family (Mom) will truly be missed. We send our love and prayers to your whole family...

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**Roger & Juanita Young** - July 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ Kim and family. I am so sorry for the loss of your Mother...She was truly one of a kind...especially in the school cafeteria..I will be prayn for you and the family...Love you sis and prayn for you...

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Dahl L. Enoch - July 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ Brewer Family:

*My deepest condolences are extended to you all. "Miss Bessie" was a sweet lady. I was always fond of her; since my childhood, I remember her having the same disposition: warm and kind. She always greeted me with a smile. May she rest in peace in Him. I pray you all find comfort and peace in Our Lord and Savior. May Jah bless and sustain you all.*

*With love and respect,*

*~Joselyn (Mother of "Koby")*

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J. Jordan-Ford - July 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ My Godmother was a very special woman. She loved all her children and my mother (Elaine Rankin) uncondiontially. For me it's like saying farewell to my mother all over again again. Mom would call me or I called her we would start our conversation right where we left off. To all her children; your mother LOVED you all very much. I have known the faimly for so many years and know what's it's like to say good-bye to a mother. It never gets easy!!! When you have done all you could do and did your part there is no reason for any regrets. See you all next week. I love the entire Brewer Family.

*Romona Clarissa Rankin*

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Romona Clarissa Rankin - July 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GT

“ Hold your head up and be **STRONG**. Keep your Mom in your heart and remember her in a Happy way and on Happy Days. If you need someone to talk to I am here for you. If you need someone to lean on, lean on Me. She is not replacible but together our love can give you strength.Look to the Hills from whence cometh my help, my help comes from the Lord which made Heaven and Earth. May the Lord God of Israel be your Strength.

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**Geraldine Thomas** - July 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ God is love and he loved her so that he saw fit for her not to suffer any longer. I know that it is hard to address at his time abut if you believe in God and pray for guidance and strength you will endure. and besides that you will then be able to reflect on all the fun times and memories you shared with her. I know I lost my grand father ,my great grandfather and mother so I can say I do understand but as long as God reaches his hand out to you and you receive it you will be at peace in no time. You call me when ever you need me and plus I remember your moms and my moms 1st cousin sherry were thicker than thieves so our family know one another and i will continue to pray for you. your friend Tanisha and family.

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**Tanisha Poidexter** - July 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM