



Mrs. Betty Jean Williams

July 22, 1942 - February 22, 2021

On July 22, 1942 in Victoria, Arkansas, Betty Jean Hill was born as the second youngest child born to Gaither Hill and Rosie Lee Walker. Betty passed away on Monday, February 22, 2021 at the age of 78.

The Hill family relocated to Frenchman's Bayou, AR, where she was an accomplished student and graduated from W.R. Golden High School in 1961 as valedictorian of her class. Inspired by her parents and the 4H Club sponsor, she decided to further her education majoring in Home Economics. She enrolled in A.M. and N. College in Pine Bluff, Arkansas and graduated in 1965. Betty continued her studies at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, graduating with her Master's Degree in 1969.

Betty's teaching career began in Helena, AR at Eliza Miller Junior High School as the Home Economics teacher. There, Betty met and became friends with fellow educator Sherry Williams, older sister of Lee Alfred Williams. Lee of West Helena, AR and after serving abroad in the United States Army, returned to the U.S, and settled in Saginaw, Michigan in 1968 to work for General Motors. In October 1971 Sherry called Lee, telling him of a beautiful teacher named Betty and suggested that they meet.

They met, fell in love, and married on December 26, 1971. Together they had a daughter and son and built a life full of love and laughter. Their love story

spans nearly 50 years; both were unwavering in their commitment to each other.

For 26 years, Betty faithfully taught in Bay City Public Schools: teaching Home Economics and Child Care at Bay City Central High School, T.L. Handy High School, and Bay City Western High School. One of the joys of her life was teaching students and helping them to achieve their goals. She was a highly respected teacher and an inspiration to all who knew her.

Lee and Betty opened Magic Wash and Drycleaners in 1987. In 1994, a fire led to its closure, but from the ashes rose Magic Kitchen. Food for the soul and employment for the community were guiding principles for Lee and Betty's Magic Kitchen, up until their 2019 retirement.

Betty exemplified Christian principles as a member of Zion Missionary Baptist Church for 49 years, as a Sunday School Superintendent, as a founding member of the United Sisters in Christ, and by visiting convalescing friends. Other community activities she held dear included Saginaw Chamber of Commerce Board, Positive Results Downtown, and Junior Leadership. She was also a decorated member of the UAPB/AM&N University National Alumni Association.

Giving back to the community was Betty's life-long passion; and she worked tirelessly to support those in need. She was a faithful patron of the City Rescue Mission of Saginaw, the Saginaw Shiawassee Habitat for Humanity, and Saginaw Pride organizations. For 20 years, Thanksgiving was a public affair for the Williams family. Friends and strangers alike participated in their potluck dinners, preparing for those in need of fellowship and a home-cooked meal. She loved cooking, sewing, traveling, and spending time with family and friends.

Betty is survived by her beloved husband, Lee Alfred Williams and leaves to cherish many memories: two children and their spouses, LeAndrea Williams & Rodney Fisher and Jason Benard & Rehema Barber Williams; T.W., brother; Richard, brother; Lawrence, brother; Ruby, sister; Murline, sister; and a host of very special brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, step-grandchildren, and two godchildren whom she adored.

Betty Jean Williams was preceded in death by her beautiful mother, Rosie Lee Walker and father, Gaither Hill.

****In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams can be made to City Rescue Mission, PO Box 548, Saginaw, MI 48606 or donate online www.rescuesaginaw.org.****

Visitation will take place from 2:00-6:00 p.m. Sunday, February 28, 2021, at Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 North Jefferson Avenue, Saginaw, Michigan 48607. A private funeral will be held. Rev. P. David Saunders will officiate with interment in Great Lakes National Cemetery, 4200 Belford Rd., Holly, Michigan 48442.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.
Holly, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 28. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home
441 North Jefferson Avenue
Saginaw, MI 48607

Tribute Wall



“ *Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Browne's Mortuary - March 01, 2021 at 10:45 AM

CP

“ *Charlotte Perkins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Charlotte Perkins - April 07, 2021 at 09:20 AM

HC

“ *Hollie Cooper lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Hollie Cooper - March 16, 2021 at 08:50 PM

SF

“ Sarah Fredricks lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Sarah Fredricks - March 07, 2021 at 11:35 AM

CM

“ Charles And Dale Mitchner sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Charles and Dale mitchner - March 02, 2021 at 04:46 PM

TA

“ Mrs Williams was my ambassador after I was baptized. She was a great woman of God and had a heart made of gold. My brothers and I worked for Magic kitchen as teenagers, we learned so much from Mrs & Mr williams. Mrs Williams You will truly be missed. Praying for Strength, comfort and love for Mr Williams and their family during this time of loss.



Tara - March 02, 2021 at 03:30 AM

MT

“ Mark & Carla Thomas lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Mark & Carla Thomas - March 01, 2021 at 04:45 PM

MR

“ *The staff of City Rescue Mission of Saginaw extends our sincerest condolence to the family of Mrs. Betty Williams. Mrs. Betty had a heart of gold for the homeless and she made sure young and upcoming leaders in Saginaw understood that, while serving on the Junior Achievement Board. Mrs. Betty would bring the young leaders to the shelter to serve and to see what it was like to be homeless. Her presence in our community will truly be missed. Sincerely, Marcia Reeves and the Rescue Ministries of Mid-Michigan Staff.*

Marcia Reeves - March 01, 2021 at 01:04 PM

DC

“ *Dwayne & Angela Campbell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Dwayne & Angela Campbell - March 01, 2021 at 12:47 PM

EU

“ *Eleanor Tate; USIC lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Eleanor Tate; USIC - March 01, 2021 at 12:45 PM

HW

“ Hazel Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Hazel Wilson - March 01, 2021 at 11:20 AM

MD

“ Minister Mildred DorseyBell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Minister Mildred DorseyBell - March 01, 2021 at 10:50 AM

KW

“ Kevin Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Kevin Williams - March 01, 2021 at 10:38 AM

AD

“ One of My Angels is what I called her. She had energy for days and was a true inspiration to me , I will truly miss you Aunt Betty RIP 🥺
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Arnetta Dixon-Love - March 01, 2021 at 10:07 AM

DK

“ Deacon Bobby & Thelma (Moten) Kelley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Deacon Bobby & Thelma (Moten) Kelley - February 28, 2021 at 07:00 PM

BS

“ Thank you Betty for your grace and presence. Thoughts of you are with us forever. Your kindness, goodness and peacefulness is a guide, a roadmap for us to follow. The Sidney family



Bobby Sidney - February 28, 2021 at 05:25 PM

ES

“ Ethel Shaw lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Ethel Shaw - February 28, 2021 at 05:05 PM

EU

“ Ethel Shaw USIC lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Ethel Shaw USIC - February 28, 2021 at 05:04 PM

E(

“ *Ethel Shaw (USIC) lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Ethel Shaw (USIC) - February 28, 2021 at 04:55 PM

VH

“ *I did not have the pleasure of knowing Mrs. Betty, but I am friend of her daughter, Leandrea, who I know to be an awesome woman of God. As I heard the older people say when I was growing up, “She comes from good stock”. Leandrea’s character is a testament to the tremendous woman, wife, nurturing mother, and servant I’m sure Mrs. Betty Williams was.
Lea, you are loved! You and your family are in my prayers.*



Vicky Hurst - February 28, 2021 at 11:46 AM

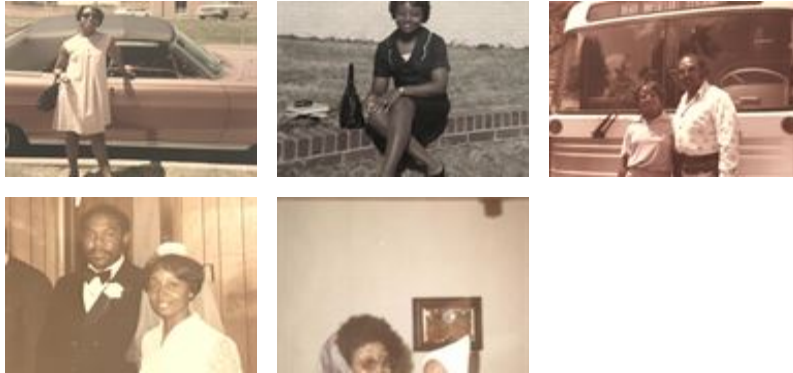
SB

To the Williams family I been going to magic kitchen since I was little eating and washing clothes my Sister Regina Boone work there for tens year your going to be miss Mrs Betty to be absent from the body is to be present with the lord Sandra Boone

Sandra Boone - February 28, 2021 at 04:10 PM



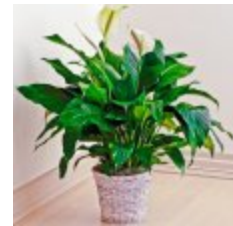
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Browne's Mortuary - February 28, 2021 at 10:16 AM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams.*



February 28, 2021 at 08:58 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss this lady was one of a kind she made me want to go to school and learn she was my teacher at Western High School most dedicated loyal kind-hearted and always smiling and laughing we even came out and tried her Famous Chicken it was delicious she will always be remembered what a beautiful soul 🙏🙏*

Jennifer laskowski - February 27, 2021 at 10:05 PM



“ *Colleen Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Colleen Smith - February 27, 2021 at 05:03 PM

BK

“ *May the memories you shared with Betty bring joy to your hearts. Lee, LeAndrea and Jason, you are in my prayers. Love!*



Beatrice King - February 27, 2021 at 04:43 PM

CD

“ *Corliss Dawkins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Corliss Dawkins - February 27, 2021 at 11:50 AM

DM

“ To the family of Betty Jean Hill Williams: We are offering our condolences and prayers from the Franklin Family, representing "In Memory" of our father, Robert "Cousin Jab" Franklin. We grew up listening to his stories of the "Hill Family". He talked as if the oldest ones were his younger brother and sisters. As the younger ones started to grow up he kept up with their activities. So no wonder he seemed as happy when Betty graduated college as he did his own children. In our younger years we visited together a lot and some of us attended school together. Betty was in that group. So though we mostly saw her at family gatherings, she is fondly remembered. Her smile made her personality memorable. We say again to the family, our prayers and condolences go out to you as Betty finds peaceful rest in the arms of her Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Dollie Metts - February 27, 2021 at 11:21 AM

TS

“ Traci Stephens lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Traci Stephens - February 27, 2021 at 11:09 AM

DM

“ Dollie Franklin Metts lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Dollie Franklin Metts - February 27, 2021 at 09:53 AM

AH

“ Albert&Frances Ham-Zackrie sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Albert&Frances Ham-Zackrie - February 27, 2021 at 03:42 AM

DA

“ Debra Austin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Debra Austin - February 27, 2021 at 01:06 AM



“ Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams.



February 26, 2021 at 11:54 PM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams.



February 26, 2021 at 10:26 PM

AF

“ *Annie Ruth Speight Fuller lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Annie Ruth Speight Fuller - February 26, 2021 at 09:39 PM

CW

“ *Calvin And Delores Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Calvin and Delores Williams - February 26, 2021 at 06:37 PM

PY

“ *Pastor Ronald And Beverly Young lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Pastor Ronald and Beverly Young - February 26, 2021 at 04:48 PM



“ *Cherished Memories - All White was purchased for the family of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams.*



February 26, 2021 at 02:46 PM

GF

“ George Redeemer Jr. & Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



George Redeemer Jr. & Family - February 26, 2021 at 12:31 PM

KC

“ KIMBERLY CULBERT lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



KIMBERLY CULBERT - February 26, 2021 at 12:29 PM

RT

“ The Tuckers



Raymond Tucker - February 26, 2021 at 10:25 AM

TF

“ The Reese Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



The Reese Family - February 26, 2021 at 05:19 AM

AF

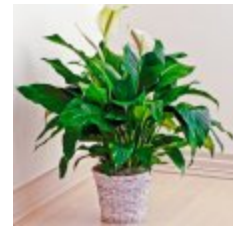
“ *Andre and Jessica Bernard and family purchased the Multicolor Pastel Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams.*



Andre and Jessica Bernard and family - February 25, 2021 at 06:29 PM

EA

“ *Eddie, Sherra and Edison Armstrong purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams.*



Eddie, Sherra and Edison Armstrong - February 25, 2021 at 06:12 PM

SC

“ *Shirley Cooper lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Shirley Cooper - February 25, 2021 at 05:45 PM

CW

“ *Cricket Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Cricket Wilson - February 25, 2021 at 05:01 PM

FJ

“ *Felicia Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Felicia Jones - February 25, 2021 at 04:47 PM

GG

“ *Guy Grays lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Guy Grays - February 25, 2021 at 04:11 PM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams.*



February 25, 2021 at 02:55 PM

MB

“ My love of Johnny Taylor comes from my Aunt Betty. I always remember her when I hear “I Believe in you” She was at our house in Maryland for a class many years ago and listened to it often. Her sweet smile during that song personifies Aunt Betty. Always a smile, always a Bible based word when you asked her advice. You came away from talks with Aunt Betty feeling better. She did all things well. God has a mighty little Angel by his side. You are missed.

Love Your niece Marcia (Ira)

Marcia Bowden - February 25, 2021 at 01:57 PM



“ *Eternal Love was purchased for the family of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams.*



February 25, 2021 at 01:49 PM

GL

“ *Glendorah Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Glendorah Lawrence - February 25, 2021 at 01:44 PM

AW

“ Alonzo and Susan Williams purchased the Pink & White Large Sympathy Vase Arrangement for the family of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams.



Alonzo and Susan Williams - February 25, 2021 at 01:22 PM

ML

“ To the family, Betty will dearly missed. Her love of people will continue to share a glow of who she was. With love Eric and his mom Margaret.



Margaret LaShore - February 25, 2021 at 11:36 AM

MF

“ Moty And Geraldine Mckinney And Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Moty and Geraldine Mckinney and family - February 25, 2021 at 11:15 AM

MF

Lee and family our prayers are with you at this time of loss. May God give you the strength and peace you need to go on.
Moty and Geraldine McKinney and family

Moty and Geraldine Mckinney and family - February 25, 2021 at 11:17 AM



“ *My condolences goes out to Mr. Lee and the rest of The Williams Family, may your beloved wife and the mother of your children Rest In Peace.*



Shirley Taylor - February 25, 2021 at 11:05 AM

CW

“ *My beautiful and beloved, soft spoken but mighty Aunt Betty! She is a true example of a Godly woman and I will truly miss her. Love you family - Cheryl Williams*



CHERYL WILLIAMS - February 25, 2021 at 11:00 AM

LM

“ *Louise Mckinnie lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



louise mckinnie - February 25, 2021 at 10:58 AM

HF

“ *My condolences to Mr. Lee Williams and the rest of his families .*



Herbert Flournoy - February 25, 2021 at 10:20 AM

TT

“ Terry Triplett lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Terry Triplett - February 25, 2021 at 09:30 AM

PF

“ Our deepest condolences to the family. Betty will be missed. I love you! RIP Pat and Allen Lindsey



Patricia Franklin-Lindsey - February 25, 2021 at 06:33 AM

AP

“ We are praying with the entire Williams family. Billy and Asha Chaney Perkins.



Asha Perkins - February 25, 2021 at 04:07 AM

GM

“ Gary McClain lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Gary McClain - February 25, 2021 at 02:45 AM

SH

“ *Sonny And Freddie Hodges sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Sonny and Freddie Hodges - February 24, 2021 at 11:05 PM

DP

“ *Dennis And Gail Porter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Dennis and Gail Porter - February 24, 2021 at 10:58 PM

MT

“ *Mary Hannibal, Fort Worth, Texas lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Mary Hannibal, Fort Worth, Texas - February 24, 2021 at 10:23 PM

KB

“ *Kara Barkley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Kara Barkley - February 24, 2021 at 09:31 PM

RO

“ Rose lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Rose - February 24, 2021 at 08:55 PM

SH

“ Stephanie Hall sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Stephanie Hall - February 24, 2021 at 07:07 PM

FF

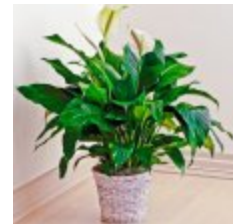
“ Freddie Marshall/ Stacey Marshall And Fa lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Freddie Marshall/ Stacey Marshall and fa - February 24, 2021 at 06:58 PM

TP

“ Tonya, Erica, Cheri, Tosia, Thena and Patrice purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams.



Tonya, Erica, Cheri, Tosia, Thena and Patrice - February 24, 2021 at 05:34 PM

SJ

“ I met Betty at the 2019 Walk of Hope that LeAndrea and I co-chaired. She was such an eloquent speaker and was incredibly supportive of all the participants. Even though I had only met her once, I can tell she was a very special person. After all, she was LeAndrea's mother! May your wonderful memories and the love of others comfort you at this grievous time.



Sue Johnston - February 24, 2021 at 04:26 PM

LS

“ Lillie B. Strong & Family Lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Williams



Lillie B. Strong - February 24, 2021 at 04:24 PM

VJ

“ Val J lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Val J - February 24, 2021 at 03:24 PM

KL

“ *Mr. Lee Williams and Family,
Betty was such a jewel and very supportive of her community. We
will miss her calming spirit.*

Karen L. Lawrence-Webster and Family

Karen L. Lawrence-Webster - February 24, 2021 at 03:08 PM

ET

“ *Erin Thomas lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Betty Jean Williams*



Erin Thomas - February 24, 2021 at 02:43 PM

OJ

“ *Orlando Jones sent a virtual gift in memory of
Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Orlando Jones - February 24, 2021 at 02:37 PM

CJ

“ *Chris, Wayne Jernigan sent a virtual gift in
memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Chris, Wayne Jernigan - February 24, 2021 at 02:02 PM

WB

“ *Walsezetta Bennett sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Walsezetta Bennett - February 24, 2021 at 01:53 PM

TC

“ *Tracy Cormier lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Tracy Cormier - February 24, 2021 at 01:29 PM

SB

“ *Shonyrecca Booker sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Shonyrecca Booker - February 24, 2021 at 01:24 PM

JT

“ *John R. And Lillian Thomas sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



John R. and Lillian Thomas - February 24, 2021 at 12:43 PM

DT

“ Deacon John And Sis. Lillian Thomas sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Deacon John and Sis. Lillian Thomas - February 24, 2021 at 12:42 PM

DT

“ Deacon John And Sis. Lillian Thomas sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Deacon John and Sis. Lillian Thomas - February 24, 2021 at 12:37 PM

ES

“ Ella Scott lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Ella Scott - February 24, 2021 at 12:12 PM

RB

“ Rochelle Brewer lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



rochelle brewer - February 24, 2021 at 11:44 AM

DA

“ *Dona Austin-Bigby sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Dona Austin-Bigby - February 24, 2021 at 11:42 AM

JG

“ *JoEllen Gaddis-McElhaney lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



JoEllen Gaddis-McElhaney - February 24, 2021 at 11:37 AM

DA

“ *Dona Austin-Bigby lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Dona Austin-Bigby - February 24, 2021 at 11:36 AM

MR

“ *Mrs Betty Williams, a wonderful neighbor. She will surely be missed. My husband and I send out condolences to the family.*

Mr & Mrs Richardson - February 24, 2021 at 11:13 AM

AU

“ Amelia Johnson USIC lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Amelia Johnson USIC - February 24, 2021 at 10:54 AM

JM

“ Rest in Peace Mrs Betty condolences to the family



Janet Mayes - February 24, 2021 at 10:48 AM

MS

“ Mary Ann Stewart sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Mary Ann Stewart - February 24, 2021 at 10:44 AM

LM

“ Loudean Moultrie sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



loudean moultrie - February 24, 2021 at 10:25 AM

CD

“ *Corliss Dawkins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Corliss Dawkins - February 24, 2021 at 10:06 AM

MC

“ *Marie Clark-Parker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Marie Clark-Parker - February 24, 2021 at 10:04 AM

WH

“ *Walter/Dorothy Harris sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Walter/Dorothy Harris - February 24, 2021 at 10:03 AM

LW

“ *Saginaw and Saginaw's Minority Business community has lost pillar of the community. Mrs. Betty left a strong legacy in our city. My sincere condolences go out to Mr. Lee, Jason, Leandrea and their extended family.*

Laticia Whitehead - February 24, 2021 at 09:56 AM

MB

“ *Mildred Dorsey Bell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Mildred Dorsey Bell - February 24, 2021 at 09:49 AM



“ *Cheryl Fentress-Nash lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Cheryl Fentress-Nash - February 24, 2021 at 09:04 AM

DB

“ *To the family of Mrs. Betty Williams may the Lord comfort and strengthen you through your time of grief. Mrs. Betty had a beautiful attitude and personality a good business women she will be missed*



Dorothy Burch - February 24, 2021 at 08:17 AM

JK

“ *Prayers to the entire family.*



Janice Kemp-Anderson - February 24, 2021 at 07:51 AM

NS

“ *Our sincere love and prayers to Lee and family at the home going of our beloved Sister Betty. She was loved so much for her caring and godly spirit. We will miss her so much.*



Nolan and Earleen Smithers - February 24, 2021 at 07:44 AM

PF

“ *Pat Frazier lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Pat frazier - February 24, 2021 at 07:41 AM

ML

“ I'm trying not to feel sad for Betty because I know she's happy to be in heaven with the Lord. So she had to leave Lee and her children and the rest of us. I knew Betty and Lee for so many years. I think she first called to tell me " We sell Soul Food too." But not loud or angry. Just the facts. I met Lee later. He would usually defer to Betty for "comments." But he soon learned if Betty wasn't around he should say to something to get the Magic Kitchen name in the SN. Lol. I really got to know this beautiful couple when I began to volunteer in helping to prep and serve Thanksgiving dinner at Zion to all who would come. Betty wouldn't make calls to see if she would have enough volunteer or food. She would say "All I can do is pray about it. It will be okay." We always had more help and more food than needed. And fed all who came. The perk was it you volunteered you got fried catfish instead of turkey. Delish! Lee knew just when to start frying. Lol.
The annual event stopped when Betty and Lee just couldn't do it anymore due to health. Betty hoped someone else would pick it up again.
I'll miss her. My sincere condolences to Lee and her children. Betty was the best. 😭

Mary Lawrence

Mary Lawrence - February 24, 2021 at 06:50 AM

DA

“ Dona Austin-Bigby lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Dona Austin-Bigby - February 24, 2021 at 03:09 AM

JB

“ *Joyce Barlow lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Joyce Barlow - February 24, 2021 at 01:07 AM

ES

“ *Ethel & Robert Shaheed lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Ethel & Robert Shaheed - February 24, 2021 at 01:04 AM

JB

“ *Joyce Barlow lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Joyce Barlow - February 24, 2021 at 01:03 AM

SH

“ *Our family has lost a beautiful, sweet lady. Aunt Betty will be greatly missed. Love Albert Steve and Sherry Hannah*



Sherry Hannah - February 24, 2021 at 01:03 AM

CP

“ Cynthia Polk lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Cynthia Polk - February 23, 2021 at 11:46 PM

SW

“ The Deaconess Ministry of ZMBC extends our condolences and prayers to the Williams’s family. May you find strength in the days ahead.



Sara Walker - February 23, 2021 at 11:44 PM

CD

“ Charlotte Dixon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Charlotte Dixon - February 23, 2021 at 11:35 PM

LD

“ Lily Dixon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Lily Dixon - February 23, 2021 at 11:27 PM

SW

“ *Sara Walker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Sara Walker - February 23, 2021 at 11:27 PM

MM

“ *My condolences to the Williams family. I pray Your strength in the Lord.*

Mary McDonald - February 23, 2021 at 10:29 PM

RW

“ *Rev Jodie And Patricia Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Rev Jodie and Patricia Williams - February 23, 2021 at 09:54 PM

AF

“ *Annie Ruth Speight Fuller lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Annie Ruth Speight Fuller - February 23, 2021 at 08:44 PM

Dena
Pruitt
Austin

“ *Dena Pruitt Austin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Dena Pruitt Austin - February 23, 2021 at 07:54 PM

RB

“ *Mrs. Betty im gone miss u boss lady i worked at the kitchen and did all the friday nite lives had lots of fun u show me how to make pecan pies i learn from the best u. wow u will be missed r.i.h love Gina 🥺*

Regina Boone - February 23, 2021 at 07:51 PM

WR

“ *Wanda Faye Reynolds & ReynoldsFamily lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Wanda Faye Reynolds & ReynoldsFamily - February 23, 2021 at 07:47 PM

JD

“ *Lit a candle for Mrs .Betty Williams*



John Dunnaway - February 23, 2021 at 07:44 PM

JD

“ *Lit a candle for MRS Betty Williams*



John Dunnaway - February 23, 2021 at 07:42 PM

KM

“ *Sending prayers for comfort and strength to Lee and the entire Williams family.*



Karen Murphy - February 23, 2021 at 07:27 PM

DJ

“ *Doris Jones sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Doris Jones - February 23, 2021 at 07:00 PM

BL

“ *Barbara Land-Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Barbara Land-Jones - February 23, 2021 at 06:51 PM

RB

“ *Rose Chandler And Gwen Bowman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Rose Chandler and Gwen Bowman - February 23, 2021 at 06:15 PM

MD

“ *Mr&Mrs Biil Doxie lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Mr&Mrs Biil Doxie - February 23, 2021 at 06:05 PM

LK

“ *Larry Kemp sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Larry Kemp - February 23, 2021 at 06:03 PM

SS

“ *Shelva Scott-Veal lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Shelva Scott-Veal - February 23, 2021 at 06:02 PM

HS

“ *Helen Scott lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Helen Scott - February 23, 2021 at 05:36 PM

LV

“ *Linda Veasley sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Linda Veasley - February 23, 2021 at 05:17 PM

CE

“ *Levi and Cynthia Essex*



Cynthia Essex - February 23, 2021 at 04:59 PM

LB

“ *Larry & Marilyn (Burns) Bowman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Larry & Marilyn (Burns) Bowman - February 23, 2021 at 04:43 PM

AL

“ *Annie Lowery lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Annie Lowery - February 23, 2021 at 04:06 PM

NL

“ *Nola Levelston lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Nola Levelston - February 23, 2021 at 04:03 PM

LM

“ *Larry And Pamela Monroe lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Larry and Pamela Monroe - February 23, 2021 at 03:47 PM

SP

“ *Sherry Price-Greer lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Sherry Price-Greer - February 23, 2021 at 03:43 PM

JH

“ Our sincerest condolences and prayers are with you Uncle Lee, Le'Andrea(Rodney) and Jason(Rehema). She fought a good fight, she finished her course and kept the faith.

Jacqueline Baker and Family

Jacqueline Hannah-Baker - February 23, 2021 at 03:30 PM

BW

“ Heartfelt condolences to Lee, LeAndrea, Jason and entire family on the passing of Betty. Her calm, quiet demeanor and loving smile, and strong faith will be remembered. Rest well friend.



Beverly & Jimmie Westbrook - February 23, 2021 at 03:24 PM

JH

“ Jacqueline Hannah-Baker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Jacqueline Hannah-Baker - February 23, 2021 at 03:20 PM

BJ

“ Brenda Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Brenda Jones - February 23, 2021 at 03:15 PM

FH

“ *Fay Hemphill-McKinnie sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Fay Hemphill-McKinnie - February 23, 2021 at 12:58 PM

ED

“ *Edith Lewis/Quest Diagnostics lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Edith Lewis/Quest Diagnostics - February 23, 2021 at 11:53 AM

LW

“ *Lillie Williams-Grays sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Lillie Williams-Grays - February 23, 2021 at 11:53 AM

DM

“ *Deon Mayes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



Deon Mayes - February 23, 2021 at 11:50 AM

JS

“ John And Shirley Sangster lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



John and Shirley Sangster - February 23, 2021 at 11:39 AM

CD

“ Charlotte Divon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Charlotte Divon - February 23, 2021 at 10:30 AM

CJ

“ Chris, Wayne Jernigan sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Chris, Wayne Jernigan - February 23, 2021 at 10:05 AM

JO

“ JoyReeves sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



JoyReeves - February 23, 2021 at 04:44 AM



“ Yvette Wofford lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Yvette Wofford - February 22, 2021 at 11:23 PM



“ Gwen & Larry Conway sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Gwen & Larry Conway - February 22, 2021 at 09:20 PM



“ My condolences to the Williams family.



Debra Dillard - February 22, 2021 at 09:14 PM



“ I finally got to know Betty when I joined the PRIDE Board. I'll think of her and the family when I enjoy great catfish. She will be missed by the Saginaw community - - and me!

Ruth Ann Knapp - February 22, 2021 at 09:09 PM



Joselyn Jordan - February 22, 2021 at 07:43 PM



“ Dale Mitchner sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Dale Mitchner - February 22, 2021 at 06:37 PM



“ Dale Mitchner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Dale Mitchner - February 22, 2021 at 06:37 PM



“ Joanie Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams



Joanie Williams - February 22, 2021 at 04:41 PM

LC

“ *Lloyd And Carolyn lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Williams*



lloyd and carolyn - February 22, 2021 at 02:54 PM

JA

“ *To The Williams and extended Families, you all have my deepest condolences. May the God of all comfort strengthen your entire family. Keeping you all in my prayers.*



JJ Akins - February 22, 2021 at 02:19 PM

SM

“ *Lee, LeAndria, Jason and the rest of the family. You have my sincere condolences and prayers.*

Snap and Carla Matthews - February 22, 2021 at 11:35 AM