



Mrs. Catherine Underwood

December 12, 1923 - January 12, 2016

Mrs. Catherine Underwood 92 transitioned to glory Tuesday January 12, 2016, after a short illness at home. She was born December 18, 1923 in Stewart, Alabama, the daughter of Edward and Azalee Ealy. Catherine was a woman who knew how to keep busy doing what she loved. Whether it was playing bingo, making her own clothes, or tutoring young children, she did what brought her joy and made a difference in the lives of others

Mrs. Catherine Underwood married the love of her life, Willie James Underwood on October 9, 1959. From this union came the adoption of their son, Larry James Underwood. Mrs. Underwood and her husband believed every child deserved a good home. Together they devoted twenty-three years of service to foster children of all ages. Catherine was a member of the following organizations, The Buena Vista Lioness Club of Buena Vista for over thirty years, The Old Timers Club of First Ward and Buena Vista Community Center Senior Citizen Club. She was one of the founder of The Alabama Club. Catherine was a member of Bethel AME Church, Saginaw, MI, Pastor P. David Saunders. She was a member of the Bozeman Gospel Chorus of Bethel AME for over forty years and also gave her service as a Sunday School Teacher for more than thirty years.

Catherine leaves to cherish her memory; her husband, Willie James Underwood; daughters, Shebby Jean Hawkins of Flint MI, Jeanette White-Underwood of Atlanta GA ; son, Larry James Underwood of Saginaw, MI; her only surviving sister, Rether McDowell; special sister-in-law, Nettie

Underwood-Jones; she also leaves to cherish her memory; a host of grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends, including special nephew/son, Louis Aaron (Buddy).

She was preceded in death by her parents, Edward and Azalee Ealy; six sisters: Leola Ealy, Emma Rivers, Odessa Harris, Doris Williams, Rose Jackson and Donzell Campbell.

A very special thank you to her niece, Cynthia Rembert of Lansing, MI and her granddaughters, Toni Wise of Alma, MI and Cheryl Green of Flint, MI, for their faithfulness for the countless hours of love and devotion and dedication.

Funeral service will take place at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, January 22, 2016 at Bethel A. M. E. Church, 535 Cathay Street. Pastor P. David Saunders will officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery. Friends may call at the Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 North Jefferson Avenue on Thursday from 2:00 until 8:00 p.m.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Cemetery

3210 S. Washington Avenue
Saginaw, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 21. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home
441 N. Jefferson Avenue
Saginaw, MI 48607
(989) 754-0481
evansbrownes@gmail.com
<https://www.evansbrownesfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

JAN 22. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethel A.M.E. Church
535 Cathay Street
Saginaw, MI 48601

Tribute Wall



“ *Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Catherine Underwood*



Browne's Mortuary - March 14, 2016 at 12:00 PM



“ *Mittie Buchanan-Russell sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Catherine Underwood*



Mittie Buchanan-Russell - January 29, 2016 at 12:04 AM

BB

“ *To Mother Shebby Hawkins, Pastor Jeffery Hawkins, the Hawkins, Green, & Smith Families, We send our deepest sympathy on the passing of your beloved mother and grandmother. Sis. Brenda Brown & Family*



Brenda Brown - January 22, 2016 at 07:44 AM

SB

“ *Mr. Underwood, I pray that God gives you comfort and strength during this time. Mrs Underwood was a true humanitarian. I remember and really appreciated the times she spent volunteering at First Ward Community Center during the Old Timers Children's Picnic. Blessing to you and your family.*

Sheilda D. Braddock

Sheilda D Braddock - January 21, 2016 at 10:08 PM



“ *Bernadette Tinsley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Catherine Underwood*



Bernadette Tinsley - January 21, 2016 at 06:43 PM

EH

“ *Elois Hanks lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Catherine Underwood*



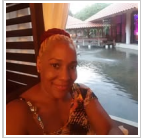
Elois Hanks - January 21, 2016 at 06:25 PM



“ 34 files added to the album Life Tributes



Browne's Mortuary - January 21, 2016 at 11:20 AM



“ Aunt Cath I have chosen the candle named Rose to light the way because I know that my mother, your sister Rose is waiting for you with open arms. Love your niece Norma & family from Wilmington, DE.



Lisa Tate - January 20, 2016 at 08:55 PM

AF

“ Ann Ford & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Catherine Underwood



Ann Ford & Family - January 20, 2016 at 04:44 PM

DT

“ *To Mr Underwood and family.
I was sadden to hear of the passing of your
dear wife mother sister & friend. There is no
sorrow that heaven cannot heal. God is able
to carry you through.*



Weeping may endure for a night but joy will come in the morning..

I'm praying for you and your family.

Dr Marie Wright Tolliver

Dr Marie W Tolliver - January 20, 2016 at 01:34 PM

OC

“ *Odeania Carruth lit a candle in memory of
Mrs. Catherine Underwood*



Odeania Carruth - January 20, 2016 at 01:17 PM

BF

“ *Belk Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs.
Catherine Underwood*



Belk Family - January 19, 2016 at 10:34 AM

BJ

“ Betty J. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Catherine Underwood.



Betty J. - January 19, 2016 at 08:47 AM

AJ

“ Annie Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Catherine Underwood



Annie Jackson - January 18, 2016 at 10:21 PM

AJ

“ Alvin Jernigan sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Catherine Underwood



Alvin Jernigan - January 18, 2016 at 03:31 PM

CJ

“ Chris, Wayne ,Al Jernigan sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Catherine Underwood



Chris, Wayne ,Al Jernigan - January 18, 2016 at 03:30 PM

ES

“ *Elise Sewere lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Catherine Underwood*



Elise Sewere - January 18, 2016 at 09:13 AM

BJ

“ *Brenda Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Catherine Underwood*



Brenda Jones - January 18, 2016 at 09:10 AM

BK

“ *Barbara Kemp-Lauria lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Catherine Underwood*



Barbara Kemp-Lauria - January 17, 2016 at 07:22 PM

JW

“ *Jotice Campbell Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Catherine Underwood*



Jotice Campbell Williams - January 17, 2016 at 08:08 AM

JW

To Uncle Underwood & Larry. The children of Donezell share with you in the lost of your loved one our Aunt Cal, who was number four of the eight Ealy girls born to Aslene & Edward Ealy.

Jorice Campbell Williams - January 17, 2016 at 08:13 AM

MC

“ *Myrtle Collier lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Catherine Underwood*



Myrtle Collier - January 17, 2016 at 07:31 AM



Gregory
Wilson

“ *1 file added to the album Gregory Wilson*



Gregory Wilson - January 16, 2016 at 09:44 AM

JJ

“ *James Sewere Jr lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Catherine Underwood*



James Sewere Jr - January 16, 2016 at 07:07 AM

BS

“ *Brian "Spank" Still*
Montgomery, Alabama



Brian Still - January 15, 2016 at 07:50 PM

MR

“ *Malcolm & Velma Roach lit a candle in*
memory of Mrs. Catherine Underwood



Malcolm & Velma Roach - January 15, 2016 at 04:16 PM

RW

“ *Rev. & Mrs. Jodie Williams lit a candle in*
memory of Mrs. Catherine Underwood



Rev. & Mrs. Jodie Williams - January 15, 2016 at 11:54 AM

HJ

“ *Houston And Elaine Jackson, Jr. sent a virtual*
gift in memory of Mrs. Catherine Underwood



Houston and Elaine Jackson, Jr. - January 13, 2016 at 06:11 PM

BM

“ *Brownie J. Mason lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Catherine Underwood*



Brownie J. Mason - January 13, 2016 at 03:14 PM