



Emma Jean Brandon

December 15, 1922 - August 1, 2015

Finished her earthly journey on Saturday, August 1, 2015 at the age of 92 years. Emma Jean (Gardner) Brandon was born on December 15, 1922 in Weldon, Arkansas, the daughter of Walter and Ora Gardner. She grew up on her parent's farm with three brothers and three sisters. Her parents owned 80 acres of farm land including an orchard filled with apples, pears, peaches, etc. Mrs. Brandon, accompanied by her siblings, would climb the trees in the orchard to eat the unripe fruit. They would get sick and their parents told them not to eat the green fruit. Emma didn't listen to her parents and climbed the tree again. She was caught and spanked for disobeying them. She had a lot of chores to do on the farm such as milking cows, feeding chickens and watering mules. They also had a dog named Old Jack. He was a black and white dog that helped her get the cows from the pastures. Old Jack was like one of the family. When he died they buried him by the barn so they could visit his grave. Having a father who was a Baptist Minister and a mother who was active in the church, Emma learned to grow in her faith and depend on the God's word when making decisions.

She was a quiet person who enjoyed being around family. Emma work for many years at Vanity Fair Retail Store and for a short time she was an Avon Lady. Emma was very meticulous when it came to maintaining her finger nails and would devote 3 hours every Wednesday to her nail maintenance Her nails were so long and beautiful people thought they were fake. When she could she enjoyed going to Arkansas to visit her 2 brothers and sisters-in-law plus

their children. Mrs. Brandon's advice for young people today is to be a teenager. She feels teenagers today are growing up too fast by having kids when they're just kids themselves. She also advises teenagers to go to school and learn as much as they can because they're going to need their education to make it in this world.

Mrs. Emma Brandon leaves to cherish her memory, 3 daughters, Rose (Clyde) Hall, Joyce (Albert) Rivers, both of Saginaw, MI and Carol Johnson of Pittsburgh, CA; 6 grandchildren, Phelan Johnson, Tracie Rivers, Courtney Johnson, all of Saginaw, MI, Surelia Hall of Canton, MI, Latrece (Marcus) Watson of Southfield, MI and Quincy Hall of Baton Rouge, LA; 2 great-grandchildren, Maya and Morgan Watson, both of Southfield, MI; sister, Ruth (Felton) Smith of Cleveland, OH; brothers-in-law, Robert and Ernest Gilstrap; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins including, Laverne, C.L. Gardner, James (Ida) Gardner, other relatives and friends including Felix Johnson who she loved like a son and he was always there for her, Kate Terrell, Pastor Eddie and Margaret Bragg who are always there when you need them, Leola Holmes and Kathy Chapman.

Mrs. Brandon was preceded in death by her husband, Jerome Brandon; son, Larry Brandon; parents, Walter and Ora Gardner; 5 siblings, Beatrice Dinwiddle, Minnie O. Morris, Walter, Pete J. and J.C. Gardner; sister-in-law, Lena Brandon; brothers-in-law, James Brandon, Louis Gilstrap and Sidney Morris.

The family would like to express special thanks to Sandy and Mary, Luther Manor Staff, entire Health Source, Wheel staff especially Derrick and Shawn and Covenant Medical Center 6 North staff.

A private funeral service has already taken place.

Tribute Wall



“ Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Emma Jean Brandon



Browne's Mortuary - August 12, 2015 at 03:58 PM

MB

“ Rose, Carol and Joyce and all of your family. I just want you to know that you have my deepest sympathy and sincerest prayers. I just found out about your mom tonight. I have been out of town. I pray that the Lord is continually comforting you all and giving you strength. I will always remember Mrs Brandon she was some special lady. God bless always.

Mary (Lee) Bond

Mrs. Mary Bond - August 18, 2015 at 11:34 PM

IB

“ Dear Brandon Family, You have my sincerest condolences and may God bless you, and give you peace and strength at what seems like a very trying time. It's been a long time since our Franklin st. days. (Ingrid, Sue, Doug, Al, Donnie, & Jay) we had a lot of fun playing together back then. remember the field? Love to You Family, Ingrid Barkley



Ingrid Barkley - August 08, 2015 at 11:44 AM

MR

“ *SENDING LOVE AND OUR CONDOLENCE TO THE FAMILY, FOR THE ROBINSON FAMILY. Marie Robinson*



Marie D Robinson - August 08, 2015 at 12:11 AM

IH

“ *Rose I am sorry for your lost of your mother. Praying for you and your family*

Inez Hinton - August 07, 2015 at 11:29 AM

LE

“ *Lucy Erby lit a candle in memory of Emma Jean Brandon*



Lucy Erby - August 07, 2015 at 10:06 AM

JT

“ *Carol and family, I am sorry for your loss. When I think of Mrs. Brandon the first thing that comes to mind is her laugh; she was always in good spirits. She made people feel welcome and loved. And that red lipstick; she was always groomed and looking good, along with her sister Minnie. Family members and friends will surely always remember her with loving thoughts and smiles. ... And for some of us, that red lipstick ... we'll wear it and think of her.*

Jacci Bates Triplett

Jacci Bates Triplett - August 06, 2015 at 11:14 AM

AL

“ *Annie Lowery lit a candle in memory of Emma Jean Brandon*



Annie Lowery - August 06, 2015 at 10:33 AM

IH

“ *Inez Hinton lit a candle in memory of Emma Jean Brandon*



Inez Hinton - August 06, 2015 at 09:53 AM

LG

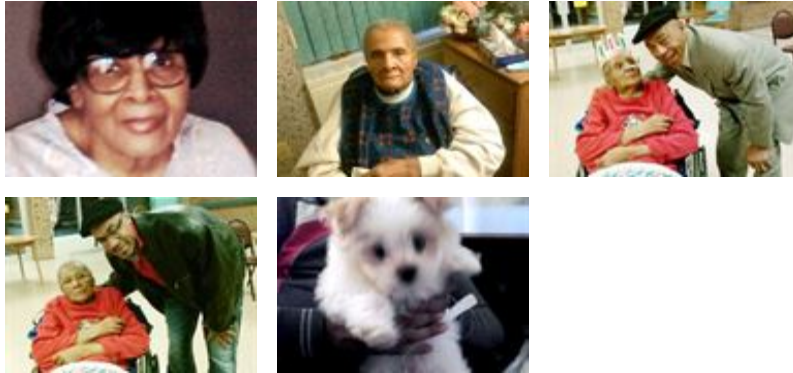
“ *LaShun Harris Garcia lit a candle in memory of Emma Jean Brandon*



LaShun Harris Garcia - August 05, 2015 at 04:24 PM



“ 118 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Browne's Mortuary - August 05, 2015 at 03:54 PM

SC

“ *Stephannie Copeland lit a candle in memory of Emma Jean Brandon*



Stephannie Copeland - August 04, 2015 at 08:43 AM

SC

“ *Shiree Cole lit a candle in memory of Emma Jean Brandon*



Shiree Cole - August 04, 2015 at 05:55 AM

TR

“ *Tracie Rivers lit a candle in memory of Emma Jean Brandon*



Tracie Rivers - August 03, 2015 at 09:08 PM

SC

“ *Sandra Chapman sent a virtual gift in memory of Emma Jean Brandon*



Sandra Chapman - August 03, 2015 at 06:44 PM

KC

“ *Kathy Chapman lit a candle in memory of Emma Jean Brandon*



Kathy Chapman - August 03, 2015 at 06:44 PM

NG

“ *Nina Gardner lit a candle in memory of Emma Jean Brandon*



nina gardner - August 03, 2015 at 11:23 AM

NG

“ To my beautiful cousins, I love you, auntie is resting in Heaven and having a wonderful time with her brothers and sisters. We will get through this together.

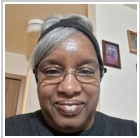
nina gardner - August 03, 2015 at 11:23 AM

LT

“ Linda Troutmon lit a candle in memory of Emma Jean Brandon



Linda Troutmon - August 03, 2015 at 11:05 AM



“ Pamela McDaniel lit a candle in memory of Emma Jean Brandon



Pamela McDaniel - August 03, 2015 at 09:54 AM