



## Mrs. Estella Williams

September 28, 1922 - December 22, 2023

Our beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, great-great-grandmother, aunt, and friend, transitioned peacefully from this life on December 22, 2023, at the age of 101 years. She was born on September 28, 1922 to the late Izella Franklin and Cabe Taylor in Bryant, MS.

Mrs. Estella Mae (Franklin) Williams and her late husband, Prince Williams were united in marriage on December 8, 1945. They relocated to Saginaw, Michigan in 1953. God blessed them to share 57 years together. Estella loved talking on the phone, spending time with family and friends, listening to Detroit Tiger's baseball games, Jimmy Swaggart Ministries, and gardening. Stella Mae loved God! Her son, Drew jokingly referred to her as evangelist Stella. When given an opportunity, she would not fail to question family, friends and even strangers about "Do you know God?," "Do you go to church?" and "Do you know the Ten Commandments?"

Estella was a long-time member of Truevine Missionary Baptist Church where she sang in the Senior Choir and later served as part of the Willing Workers Ministry under the leadership of Pastor Paul E. Broaddus. She retired after 22 years of service from Saginaw General Hospital. It was during her employment at the hospital where she met and became lifelong friends with Mrs. Bertha Payne. In the latter years as they both grew older, the one thing that Estella could count on was a daily 4:00 p.m. phone call from Bertha to

check on her.

Her memory will be forever cherished by her son, Drew (Arlene) Franklin of Romulus, MI; daughter, Diane (Willie) Bond of Saginaw, MI; stepdaughter, Linda (John) Wright of Farmington Hills, MI; five grandchildren, Adrian Williams, Levaniel Boyd, Kevin (Felice) Bond, Quincy (Tineka) Bond, and Kelli Bond; 12 great-grandchildren, Jaquaya, Anthony, Kieara, Markayla, Brianna, Kevin Jr., Kalea, Quincy Jr., Nia, Dorian, Julian, and Erielle; three great-great grandchildren, Michael III, Kaine, and Messiah. Special cousins who affectionately called her Aunt Stella, Lisa Stokes, James (Mamie) Franklin, John Edward Jackson, Michael Dale, Gwen Franklin, and Eric Walters.

So many beautiful friends blessed Estella's life: Bertha (Leon) Payne, Yvonne Tate, Delores & Marty Richmond, Florida Davis, Ruby Lyles, Eva Pierce, Lee Marie Barney, Michael Billings, Carlotta Bracken, Tiffany Johnson, Lorraine Bond-Riley, Dorothy Perkins, neighbors on Harrow Lane, and her church family.

Estella was preceded in death by her husband, Prince Williams; daughter, Melinda Williams; great-grandson, Markel Williams; Sister, Ira Lee Wilson; Brother, James Franklin.

Heartfelt gratitude to Mr. Willie Bond (son-in-law) and Yvonne (Vonn) Tate for their unwavering love and support in assisting with caring for Mom. Special thanks to Tanya Monville, Saginaw County Commission on Aging, Dr. Minoo Khetarpal, American Home Hospice Care; we appreciate the care you provided to our mother.

Thank You, Pastor Paul E. Broaddus and the Truevine Church Family; Evans-Browne Funeral Home for your thoughtful attention and service.

Family hour will take place at 10:00 a.m. Friday, January 5, 2024 at True Vine Baptist Church, 2930 Janes St., Saginaw, MI 48601, with funeral service commencing at 11:00 a.m. Pastor Paul Broaddus will officiate with interment in Eastlawn Memorial Gardens, 7475 Holland Rd., Saginaw, MI 48601.

# Cemetery Details

## Eastlawn Memorial Gardens

7475 Holland Road  
Saginaw, MI 48601

# Previous Events

## Family Hour

JAN 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Truevine Baptist Church  
2930 Janes Street  
Saginaw, MI 48601

## Funeral Service

JAN 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

Truevine Baptist Church  
2930 Janes Street  
Saginaw, MI 48601

# Tribute Wall

CP

“ Charlotte Perkins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



Charlotte Perkins - February 07, 2024 at 04:59 PM

CB

“ Ms Williams my heart hurt knowing I won't be able to talk to U no more.I love all the conversations we had able ur Great Grandkids which we shared and the Lord to me U was like my Grandmother to. I truly gone miss U Love ❤️ U till we meet again Carlotta Bracken



Carlotta Bracken - January 05, 2024 at 12:44 AM

PS

“ Pear Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



pear smith - January 04, 2024 at 07:14 PM

DS

“ *What a beautiful woman Stella was so kind and I enjoyed working with her at Saginaw General Hospital. May the Joy of the Lord be the strength for you all. Sincerely Donna Shipman* ❤️🙏❤️



Donna Shipman - January 04, 2024 at 06:36 PM

VD

“ *The Dansby -Lyons*



Vinnitra Dansby-Lyons - January 04, 2024 at 06:17 PM

CT

“ *Carolyn Tate lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams*



Carolyn Tate - January 04, 2024 at 05:19 PM

CT

*I have so many fond memories of Mrs Stella,we moved on 28th when I was about 3or4 yrs.we became close like family.she gave me my first job cleaning her house.it was never dirty.i was proud to make that money.❤️I was 11 or 12.i will always love the Williams family.my prayers are with you.*

Carolyn Tate - January 04, 2024 at 05:25 PM

DS

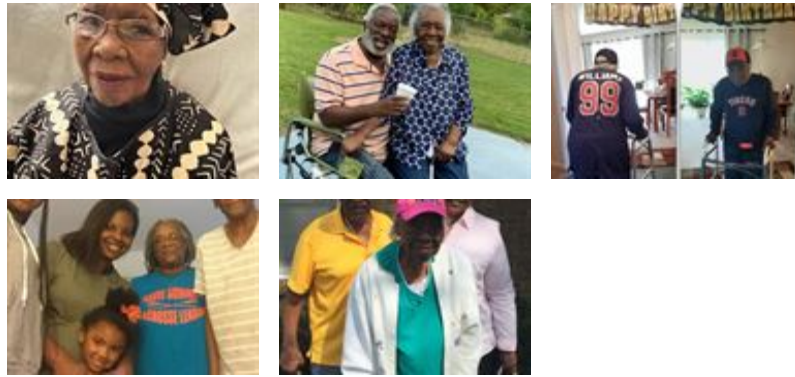
“ Denise R. Steele lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



Denise R. Steele - January 04, 2024 at 02:51 PM



“ 41 files added to the album Life Tributes



Browne's Mortuary - January 04, 2024 at 02:28 PM



“ White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Estella Williams.



January 04, 2024 at 10:11 AM

TC

“ *TEESHA RENAE REDEEMER CHEATHAM  
lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams*



TEESHA RENAE REDEEMER CHEATHAM - January 03, 2024 at 09:24 PM

CS

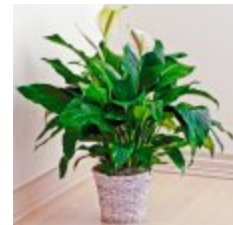
“ *Chris Snow-Jernigan sent a virtual gift in  
memory of Mrs. Estella Williams*



Chris Snow-Jernigan - January 02, 2024 at 08:02 PM

WF

“ *With love from Lisa Stokes and Family purchased  
the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of  
Mrs. Estella Williams.*



With love from Lisa Stokes and Family - December 31, 2023  
at 08:37 PM

MF

“ *Mosella Reed And Family lit a candle in  
memory of Mrs. Estella Williams*



Mosella Reed and Family - December 31, 2023 at 08:16 PM

WF

“ Wanda Faye Reynolds And Reynolds Family  
lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



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**Wanda Faye Reynolds and Reynolds Family** - December 31, 2023 at 01:39 PM

JW

“ Jimmie & Beverly Westbrook sent a virtual gift  
in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



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**Jimmie & Beverly Westbrook** - December 29, 2023 at 11:39 PM

LS

“ Auntie Estella we will miss your feisty spirit,  
quick wit and amazing life stories. Rest in  
peace, you have earned your place in  
heaven. We love you. Lisa Stokes and family.



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**Lisa Stokes** - December 29, 2023 at 05:25 PM

MJ

“ Aunt Stella rest in peace we love and will miss,prays for our lovely  
family. James and Mamie Family

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**Mamie Jackson** - December 29, 2023 at 11:06 AM

DP

“ Dorothy Price-Omar lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



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**Dorothy Price-Omar** - December 28, 2023 at 09:48 PM

CS

“ Corderro Stidhum lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



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**Corderro Stidhum** - December 28, 2023 at 06:00 PM

TH

“ Tina Houze lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



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**Tina Houze** - December 28, 2023 at 05:41 PM

JP

“ To the Family of Mrs. Estella Williams (Diane & Willie Bond, and the entire Williams and Bonds Family: My prayers and thoughts are with you during your time of grief. I pray that God blesses you with comfort, peace, and strength during your time of bereavement! 🙏🙏🙏 Thank God for the life and legacy of Mrs Estella Williams! To God be the glory! Blessings and much love to you all! 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏❤️❤️❤️



With love and sincere sympathy.,  
Josephine Pelt ❤️❤️❤️

Josephine Pelt - December 28, 2023 at 02:18 PM

BC

“ Billy And Karen Cork lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



Billy and Karen Cork - December 28, 2023 at 01:15 PM

BR

“ Bettina Redeemer sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



Bettina Redeemer - December 28, 2023 at 12:28 PM

AH

“ *Aretha Hairston sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams*



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**Aretha Hairston** - December 27, 2023 at 09:38 PM

MM

“ *Mr.&Mrs. Robert McCall lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams*



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**Mr.&Mrs. Robert McCall** - December 27, 2023 at 08:22 PM

VP

“ *Linda and Willie and family I send my prayers to All; I hope that the happy memories will give you comfort.*



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**Vyethel Kemp Peterson** - December 27, 2023 at 06:17 PM

VP

*Diane, Willie and Family my prayers and condolences are sent*

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**Vyethel Kemp Peterson** - December 27, 2023 at 06:18 PM

DM

“ Deborah Morris-Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



Deborah Morris-Williams - December 27, 2023 at 01:12 PM

DP

“ Dennis And Gail Porter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



Dennis and Gail Porter - December 27, 2023 at 10:10 AM

LC

“ Lavern Chandler sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



Lavern Chandler - December 27, 2023 at 08:27 AM

JH

“ Joan Holmes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



Joan Holmes - December 27, 2023 at 07:57 AM

LP

“ A Beautiful soul blessed with 101 years of life, prayers of comfort and strength to the Williams, Bond and extended family 🙏❤️



Lakeisha Pelt - December 26, 2023 at 09:59 PM

LS

“ Linda & Charles Stidhum sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



Linda & Charles Stidhum - December 26, 2023 at 08:57 PM

TP

“ Thelma Prescott sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



Thelma Prescott - December 26, 2023 at 11:10 AM

MU

“ Diane & Willie, we are sorry for your loss, however we are grateful for Heaven's gain. Thank you for sharing Ms. Estella with your neighbors, she had a beautiful spirit and wil be missed. Ken and Karen Murphy and Gary and Lorie Rekittke

Murphy - December 26, 2023 at 12:44 AM

WF

“ *Wanda Faye Reynolds And Reynolds Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams*



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**Wanda Faye Reynolds and Reynolds Family** - December 25, 2023 at 10:39 PM

WB

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



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**Walsezetta Bennett** - December 25, 2023 at 04:17 PM

GC

“ *Gina Chaffer lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams*



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**Gina Chaffer** - December 24, 2023 at 02:21 PM

WB

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



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**Walsezetta Bennett** - December 24, 2023 at 11:48 AM

RW

“ Rhonda Warren sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



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**Rhonda Warren** - December 23, 2023 at 11:28 PM

DR

“ Dorothy Redeemer sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



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**Dorothy Redeemer** - December 23, 2023 at 06:34 PM



“ Lorraine Bond-Riley sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Estella Williams



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**Lorraine Bond-Riley** - December 23, 2023 at 01:58 PM

FB

“ *Grandma, I'll love you forever. Thank you for trusting me with your grandson Kevin's heart, who everyone knows you loved so fiercely. You singing happy birthday to me just 3 weeks ago will forever ring in my ears and my heart. I'll miss your wisdom, lessons, laughs and plentiful jokes always. For all the love, thank you. Until we meet again, Love Felice Bond*



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**Felice & Kevin Bond** - December 23, 2023 at 12:29 PM