



## Evangelist Jessie Greer

January 10, 1943 - October 20, 2025

Evangelist Missionary Jessie Rose Greer

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"Well done, thou good and faithful servant... enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." (Matthew 25:21)

Evangelist Missionary Jessie Rose (Tanksley) Greer entered eternal rest surrounded by her loved ones on October 20, 2025, at 10:11 p.m. in Saginaw, Michigan. She was born on January 10, 1943, in Meridian, Mississippi, to the late Murry Sr. and Sylva (Pruitt) Tanksley.

From an early age, Jessie Rose embodied faith, compassion, and resilience. Growing up in a large, close-knit family, she learned the importance of hard work, prayer, and community. She was preceded in death by her parents; eleven siblings: Alice, Josephine, Cepheus Ray, Luna Mae, Osami, Beadie, Kola, Murry Jr., Douglas, Ray Cee, and Willar Dean; and her beloved daughter, Gail Greer.

In 1963, Jessie Rose met the love of her life, Tommy Greer. One year later, they were united in holy matrimony, beginning a lifelong partnership grounded in love, service, and faith. Together they shared 62 beautiful years, walking hand in hand through every season of life. Their union was a shining example of covenant love and devotion. They raised four children in a home filled with laughter, prayer, and encouragement, and after the loss of their daughter Gail,

they lovingly raised her children as their own.

A devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, Jessie Rose was the heart of her family. She carried herself with grace and humility, and her wisdom was often sought by relatives and friends alike. She is survived by her children Edith (Otis) Adams, Broderick (Shanda) Greer, and Tess (Leslie) Quarles; grandchildren Danitra and Jo'Vion Greer, Jacobi, Ashley, and William Brewer, Broderick Jr., Janei', and Alexis Greer, Kyla Jackson, Andrea (David) Wade, and Briana Greer; great-grandchildren Zaria Williams, Justice and Paradise Brewer, Zamara Williams, Passion Horrison, George Smithers Jr., Braylen Brewer, Peyton Conway, Khalil Coleman, Kensley Pennywell, and Koby Young; and great-great-grandchildren Khari Lee, Justice Brewer Jr., and Princetin Horrison.

She cherished her extended family deeply, celebrating milestones, attending reunions, and nurturing close bonds across generations. She shared a lifelong and cherished relationship with her niece, Aundre Mae Buckley, who was more like a sister than a niece. Jessie Rose also shared a very special spiritual bond with Doll Phillips, her "daughter in the Lord," who was a great help and source of strength over the past several years. In addition, she loved Cheryl Buriel as a faithful companion in ministry, and as if she were an adopted daughter, covering her in prayer and pouring into her with motherly wisdom, encouragement, and unconditional love.

Jessie Rose accepted Christ and was baptized at an early age in Mississippi. After moving to Michigan, she continued her walk with the Lord through the Church of God in Christ, where her faith and leadership would flourish. She served faithfully at Greater Williams Temple, Living Waters Ministries, and within the North Central Michigan Jurisdiction. She was First Lady of Living Waters for over 40 years, exemplifying grace, strength, and unwavering support.

Within the Jurisdiction, she was known for her excellence and commitment to ministry. She served as Elect Lady of the Evangelist Department, President of the Examining Board for Missionaries, and Organizer of the Institute Hour for Women. She also provided invaluable support to Jurisdictional Supervisors Mother Lena Mason Lucas and Mother Corene Wade-Adams. Through every title and position, she remained steadfast in her mission to uplift others, always leading with humility and purpose.

Her ministry extended far beyond formal roles. Jessie Rose was an Evangelist, Missionary, and Prayer Warrior whose heart for God and people was unmatched. Her prayers carried power, her words brought peace, and her presence brought comfort. She was known to stop everything to pray with those in need, whether in a church hallway, hospital room, or grocery store aisle. She taught Sunday School, led the Prayer and Bible Band, and coordinated Vacation Bible School for more than 40 years, shaping countless young lives through the Word of God. Her home, too, was a place of ministry where family, friends, and saints alike found warmth, guidance, and encouragement.

Education was also a cornerstone of Jessie Rose's life. After attending Harris Junior College, she earned her Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Elementary Education from Jackson State University. She dedicated over 30 years to Saginaw Public Schools, teaching at Liberty Elementary in Zilwaukee and Morley Elementary. Her classroom was more than a place of instruction; it was a space where students were nurtured, believed in, and reminded of their potential. Generations of children remember "Mrs. Greer" as the teacher who cared, the one who pushed them to do their best and loved them beyond the lesson plan.

To know Evangelist Missionary Jessie Rose Greer was to witness the beauty of a life wholly dedicated to God and to others. She walked in faith, lived with purpose, and poured love into everyone she met. Her influence will continue to echo in the lives of those she touched in her family, her students, her church, and the community she served so faithfully.

Her legacy of faith, perseverance, and love will never fade. She leaves behind a powerful example of Christian service, devotion, and compassion. Though she has transitioned from labor to reward, her spirit lives on in the hearts of all who loved her, and her life's message remains clear: to serve God faithfully and love others deeply.

Funeral service will take place at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 28 2025 at Greater Williams Temple C.O.G.I.C., 608 E. Remington, Saginaw, MI 48601, Pastor, Supt. Arthur Aikin, Presiding and Bishop J. Drew Sheard, Jurisdictional Prelate, Bishop and Chief Apostle Church of God in Christ, Inc., will officiate. Interment will take place in Eastlawn Memorial Gardens, 7475 E. Holland Rd., Saginaw, MI 48601. Visitation will take place at the funeral home on Monday, from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

# Cemetery Details

## Eastlawn Memorial Gardens

7475 Holland Road  
Saginaw, MI 48601

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 27. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

OCT 28. 11:00 AM (ET)

Greater Williams Temple C.O.G.I.C.  
608 E. Remington Street  
Saginaw, MI

# Tribute Wall

NG

“ *Nina Gardner lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer* ”



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**Nina Gardner** - February 04 at 07:07 PM

KH

“ *Kim Harrold lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer* ”



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**Kim Harrold** - November 18, 2025 at 09:23 PM

DE

“ *DEBRA lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer* ”



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**DEBRA** - November 13, 2025 at 06:23 PM

JS

“ *Jackie Sanders lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer* ”



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**Jackie Sanders** - November 10, 2025 at 08:20 PM

SS

“ *Shawn Surles lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



Shawn Surles - November 09, 2025 at 01:57 AM

IG

“ *It saddens me to see that she has passed away. She was my elementary school teacher. She was the best teacher I ever had. I would love running into her and her husband just to catch up. She will be greatly missed.*

Izasha Gardner - November 06, 2025 at 07:51 AM

DP

“ *Dorothy Price-Omar lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



Dorothy Price-Omar - October 31, 2025 at 11:13 PM

CW

“ *Cookey Williams lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



Cookey Williams - October 31, 2025 at 05:31 PM

VS

“ *Vermell Sangster lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



Vermell Sangster - October 30, 2025 at 06:09 PM

EB

“ *Elaine Brown lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



Elaine Brown - October 30, 2025 at 09:55 AM

CD

“ *Christina L Dillard-Jackson lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



Christina L Dillard-Jackson - October 29, 2025 at 11:42 AM

DL

“ *Debra Lane-Hatfield sent a virtual gift in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



Debra Lane-Hatfield - October 29, 2025 at 09:56 AM

CW

“ Calvin And Delores Williams lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer



Calvin and Delores Williams - October 29, 2025 at 09:42 AM

RK

“ Thank you for your years of service to the young people of the Saginaw Community. Her students always came to my class ready to learn. She is appreciated and will be missed. -  
-Ruth Ann Knapp



Ruth Ann Knapp - October 29, 2025 at 04:50 AM

KS

“ Kathy Shaw lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer



Kathy Shaw - October 28, 2025 at 10:57 PM

LW

“ Louis Weems sent a virtual gift in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer



Louis Weems - October 28, 2025 at 04:26 PM

DT

“ *Denecho Turner lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



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**Denecho Turner** - October 28, 2025 at 03:24 PM

PA

“ *To the children, grandchildren...your Mom was a phenomenal Woman of God and her homegoing celebration depicted that very sentiment. I always enjoyed her teachings in the institute hour during the conventions along with an occasional car ride with them. Thank you for sharing her with the body of Christ and thank you Pastor Greer for your unwavering faithfulness and love to your wife.....Evangelist Jessie Rose Greer. She will be truly missed. Love you Edith and Tess.*



*Evangelist Dottery*

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**Pamela** - October 28, 2025 at 02:24 PM



“ *Ray Smith lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



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**Ray Smith** - October 28, 2025 at 10:27 AM

KD

“ Keawna Douglas lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer



Keawna Douglas - October 28, 2025 at 10:24 AM

KH

“ Prayers for Mother Greer's family. Mother was my Sunday School Teacher at GWT. We loved her, special love to Pastor Greer, Edith, Broderick, and Tess.

Kimberly Henderson - October 28, 2025 at 09:18 AM

GB

“ Gwendolyn White Bowman lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer



Gwendolyn White Bowman - October 28, 2025 at 02:13 AM

LS

“ Linda Campbell Stacy lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer



Linda Campbell Stacy - October 27, 2025 at 11:22 PM

VB

“ *Velissa Batts sent a virtual gift in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



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**Velissa Batts** - October 27, 2025 at 09:39 PM

TG

“ *Tresia Givens lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



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**Tresia Givens** - October 27, 2025 at 07:35 PM

CA

“ *Going to miss our first lady,love you Sis.Greer*



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**Cassandra** - October 27, 2025 at 04:41 PM

AF

“ *Praying for your entire Family during this time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*



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**Ann & Kenneth Patrick & Family** - October 27, 2025 at 11:57 AM

DJ

“ *Dr. Lillian JonesThomas sent a virtual gift in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



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**Dr. Lillian JonesThomas** - October 27, 2025 at 10:20 AM

DG

“ *Our condolences and prayers to the Greer family. Mrs. Greer helped shaped the lives of three of my children. As a teacher, she was always kind, patient, and encouraging as she taught. Her memory will live on through the lives she touched. She encouraged them to do their best and be the best. Well done.*



*Charles, Delores Giles and Family*

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**DELORES GILES** - October 27, 2025 at 09:57 AM

BT

“ *Barry P, Travaris R, and Reginald T purchased the Peace & Prayers Blue & White Standing Cross for the family of Evangelist Jessie Greer.*



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**Barry P, Travaris R, and Reginald T** - October 27, 2025 at 09:26 AM



“ *The Hannibal Family, Saginaw, Texas. lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



The Hannibal Family, Saginaw, Texas. - October 27, 2025 at 06:12 AM



“ *Healing Tears - Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Evangelist Jessie Greer.*



October 27, 2025 at 04:29 AM



“ *Dorris Moore lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



Dorris Moore - October 26, 2025 at 10:19 PM



“ *To the Greer  
My deepest condolences to the family on the loss of your loved one.*

*Kay Tafel Curry*

Kay Tafel Curry - October 26, 2025 at 10:16 PM

JW

“ We'll remember Evangelist Greer as a kind, caring woman. We'll also remember her as an excellent educator, as she was our son's third grade teacher. Sincere condolences and love to the Greer, Adams, and extended families. 🌸



**Jimmie and Beverly Westbrook** - October 26, 2025 at 08:50 PM

TP

“ The Alpha Xi Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi purchased the Red & White Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of Evangelist Jessie Greer.



**The Alpha Xi Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi** - October 26, 2025 at 07:24 PM

PP

“ Prophet Philips lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer



**Prophet Philips** - October 26, 2025 at 12:36 PM

FJ

“ Felicia Jones lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer



**Felicia Jones** - October 26, 2025 at 06:39 AM

DM

“ *Deborah Mack lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



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**Deborah Mack** - October 26, 2025 at 04:00 AM

ER

“ *Eugene/Linda Reid lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



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**Eugene/Linda Reid** - October 25, 2025 at 11:41 PM

MP

“ *Marcus Pringle purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Evangelist Jessie Greer.*



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**Marcus Pringle** - October 25, 2025 at 11:22 PM

MP

“ *Marcus Pringle planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Evangelist Jessie Greer.*

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**Marcus Pringle** - October 25, 2025 at 11:22 PM



“ *Bountiful European Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Evangelist Jessie Greer.*



October 25, 2025 at 10:02 PM



“ *Mary Smithers lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



**Mary Smithers** - October 25, 2025 at 08:59 PM



“ *Condolences and prayers to my friend/classmate Edith , Tess and the entire family.*



*Darlaine Green-Blackmon*

**Darlaine Blackmon** - October 25, 2025 at 04:57 PM



“ *Robert, Ariel, Cree, & Vinson purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Evangelist Jessie Greer.*



**Robert, Ariel, Cree, & Vinson** - October 25, 2025 at 01:33 PM

LM

“ LaShonda McGill sent a virtual gift in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer



LaShonda McGill - October 25, 2025 at 07:16 AM

LJ

“ Lisa Jones sent a virtual gift in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer



Lisa Jones - October 24, 2025 at 08:34 PM

MD

“ Our prayers to Mrs. E. Adams and family. As a Christian, a follower of Christ, To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. Amen.



Marquetta Davis - October 24, 2025 at 07:04 PM

SF

“ To the family Evangelist Greer, may your grief be short and your joy much longer with beautiful memories of your beloved Evangelist Greer. Sincerely Donna Shipman and Brewer family ❤️🙏❤️

Shipman and Brewer Family - October 24, 2025 at 06:21 PM

DM

“ *Dorris Moore lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



Dorris Moore - October 24, 2025 at 04:23 PM

DW

“ *Mrs. Greer was my son's 3rd grade teacher. She was always so kind and made sure to help and encourage him. She was a great teacher and he loved Mrs. Greer. ❤️ sincere condolences to the entire family. 🙏*

Deborah Morris Williams - October 24, 2025 at 03:46 PM

MB

“ *Michelle Bishop lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



Michelle Bishop - October 24, 2025 at 02:38 PM

VR

“ *Sending prayers and condolences to the family*



Veronica Roby - October 24, 2025 at 01:12 PM

YS

“ Yvonne Sanders lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer



Yvonne Sanders - October 24, 2025 at 12:51 PM



“ Pink & White Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Evangelist Jessie Greer.



October 24, 2025 at 12:27 PM

EH

“ Elizabeth Hudspeth lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer



elizabeth Hudspeth - October 24, 2025 at 10:42 AM

JC

“ Judge Terry L. Clark lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer



Judge Terry L. Clark - October 24, 2025 at 10:14 AM

ED

“ *Earnice Watkins Davis lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



**Earnice Watkins Davis** - October 24, 2025 at 08:04 AM

FM

“ *Fay McKinnie lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



**Fay McKinnie** - October 24, 2025 at 06:29 AM

DP

“ *Dicy Powell lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



**Dicy Powell** - October 24, 2025 at 02:40 AM

MD

“ *Prayers and condolences to the Greer family*  
🙏🌸🙏



**Miss'y K. Dukes** - October 23, 2025 at 09:24 PM



“ *Bobbie Crosby Locke lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



**Bobbie Crosby Locke** - October 23, 2025 at 04:31 PM



“ *Joanie Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



**Joanie Williams** - October 23, 2025 at 04:31 PM

FC

“ *Condolences and Prayers to the Greer family. Mrs. Greer was a very nice and sweet lady whom I went to school with her son and daughter and had a chance to visit their church a few times. Very good people to know. I am sorry for you all loss.*



**Felecia Ann Cole** - October 23, 2025 at 11:37 AM

DJ

“ *Sending Prayers & Condolences To The Greer Family! Tess, Wishing U Peace & Comfort In Ur Time Of Need!*



**Demetria Jackson** - October 23, 2025 at 09:49 AM

CF

“ *Cynthia Foster-Mack lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



**Cynthia Foster-Mack** - October 23, 2025 at 07:41 AM

JP

“ *Janice Powell-Coleman lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



**Janice Powell-Coleman** - October 23, 2025 at 06:31 AM

LA

“ *To the Greer family, I am so incredibly sorry for your loss. Wishing you peace and comfort.*



**Liz Aikin** - October 22, 2025 at 07:52 PM

BM

“ *Bobby Myles lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



**Bobby myles** - October 22, 2025 at 06:03 PM

DC

“ *Derinda Culberson sent a virtual gift in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



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**Derinda Culberson** - October 22, 2025 at 04:56 PM

BP

“ *Sending sincere condolences and prayers to the Greer Family. May God comfort you in his loving arms.*



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**Barbara Payton** - October 22, 2025 at 04:38 PM

PF

“ *Prayers and condolences to the entire family lifting you all in prayer*



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**Perkins Kimble families** - October 22, 2025 at 08:53 AM

EM

“ *Ernestine Martin lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



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**Ernestine Martin** - October 22, 2025 at 07:57 AM

MO

“ *Ms.Harriet Oliver lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



Ms.Harriet Oliver - October 22, 2025 at 02:05 AM

CP

“ *Cheryl Payton lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



Cheryl Payton - October 21, 2025 at 11:09 PM

LP

“ *Lite this candle in memory of Mrs. Jessie Greer. And sending my condolences out 2 the Greer family*



Leticia Price - October 21, 2025 at 10:55 PM

ER

“ *Eugene/Linda Reid lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



Eugene/Linda Reid - October 21, 2025 at 08:35 PM

EJ

“ *Elaine Greer and son Brody Greer Jr purchased the Healing Tears - Blue and White for the family of Evangelist Jessie Greer.*



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**Elaine Greer and son Brody Greer Jr** - October 21, 2025 at 08:21 PM

BW

“ *My condolences Greer and Buckley family may the Lord comfort you during this heartfelt time.*



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**Barbara A Weston** - October 21, 2025 at 07:44 PM

HG

“ *HENRY - Brenda Gibbs lit a candle in memory of Evangelist Jessie Greer*



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**HENRY - Brenda Gibbs** - October 21, 2025 at 06:29 PM

TA

“ *Sending love, prayers and condolences to the family of Mrs. Greer. She was the best 4th grade teacher ever. May the GOD we serve grant comfort, peace and strength during this difficult time of bereavement.*  
*Tremonisha (Trina) Akins*



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**Trina Akins** - October 21, 2025 at 05:09 PM