



## Mrs. Mary Bessie Little

August 5, 1936 - January 5, 2022

Our beloved mother, grandmother, sister and aunt passed away on January 5, 2022. Mary, also known as Bessie. She was born August 5, 1936 the 7th child of William "Bill" and Mary Bentley in Sandersville, Georgia. Upon coming to Saginaw, Michigan Bessie attended, and graduated from Saginaw High School. She accepted Christ early on in her life.

For several years, Bessie worked as a phlebotomist at St. Mary's Hospital. Later she was employed by General Motors Delphi and retired in 2000. She was a hard worker, very conscientious. Whenever she started a project Bessie was sure to see it through. She was a good cook and she enjoyed watching wrestling. Bessie was always very attentive to those whom she loved. If you had a problem and needed someone to talk to, you could count on Bessie to have a listening ear and she offered good sound advice.

She is survived by her beloved son, Lester Peoples; daughter-in-law, June Brooks; three sisters, Helen Ashley, Macon, GA, Geneva (Julius) Jones, Chicago, IL and Bernice Walker, Saginaw, MI; grandchildren, Kijuan Ross, Maurice and Vernice Acoff; a special cousin, Lillie Mae Cooper and special friends, Ivy Menzie and Calvin White, a host of other relatives, friends and mainly her Soul Survivor friends. Bessie leaves a void in the life of those who knew her well.

Bessie was preceded in death by her parents Bill and Mary Bentley; three brothers, Walter, Ephraim and Early Bentley; two sisters, Annie Mae Thomas and Juanita Finch.

I would like to thank all my family for their support as well as Evans and Browne's Funeral Home and St. Mary Ambulatory.

Funeral service will take place at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 North Jefferson Avenue, Saginaw, Michigan 48607. Interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery, 3210 S. Washington Avenue, Saginaw, Michigan 48601. Visitation will take place from 9:00 a.m. until the time of service.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Cemetery

3210 S. Washington Avenue  
Saginaw, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 19. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (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

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Saginaw, MI 48607

# Tribute Wall

DW

“ Sorry to see the loss of your loved one. I just saw Bessie's face as I viewed the obituary and wanted to give my condolences to her family. I recall Bessie Little many years ago growing up in Saginaw, Mi. Our (dad's) and families were good friends. They were very respectable and well liked. I am very sorry for your loss. Bessie still has that very kind, dear and sweet look on her face. We only pass through this life, but once. May the Lord bless all her family. Prayers and comfort for all. Surely you loved her! Houston, Tx.



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**Delorise Willis-Hammond** - February 11, 2022 at 12:20 AM

L.

“ L.D.Frierson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Bessie Little



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**L.D.Frierson** - January 28, 2022 at 06:20 PM

RE

“ Rest In Paradise Aunt Bessie

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**Renee** - January 19, 2022 at 12:56 PM

MO

“ *Madeleine Oneal lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Bessie Little*



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**Madeleine Oneal** - January 19, 2022 at 12:44 PM

TJ

“ *Takyia Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Bessie Little*



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**Takyia Jones** - January 19, 2022 at 09:12 AM

AC

“ *Ann Curry lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Bessie Little*



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**Ann Curry** - January 19, 2022 at 08:25 AM

PW

“ *Pam Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Bessie Little*



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**Pam Williams** - January 19, 2022 at 12:07 AM

LB

“ My cousin never aged, I remember her saying “ y’all going to make me lose my mind up in here” before I found out later it was a rap song! She was always full of fun and laughter! I will certainly miss her energy.

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**Louis Brown** - January 18, 2022 at 09:37 PM

MD

“ Our prayers are with Mrs. Mary's family.  
The Grover and Berta (Sweetie) Davis Family



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**Marquetta Davis** - January 16, 2022 at 08:23 PM

LB

“ La’Nyia Bentley lit a candle in memory of Mrs.  
Mary Bessie Little



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**La’Nyia Bentley** - January 16, 2022 at 09:26 AM

TD

“ Tasha Douglas lit a candle in memory of Mrs.  
Mary Bessie Little



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**Tasha Douglas** - January 15, 2022 at 09:57 AM

BK

“ Betty King lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Bessie Little



Betty King - January 15, 2022 at 07:16 AM

LD

“ Lorraine Davis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Bessie Little



Lorraine Davis - January 15, 2022 at 06:59 AM

WR

“ Wanda Faye Reynolds & ReynoldsFamily lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Bessie Little



Wanda Faye Reynolds & ReynoldsFamily - January 14, 2022 at 06:04 AM

MC

“ Musingska Coleman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Bessie Little



Musingska Coleman - January 12, 2022 at 11:44 PM

VC

“ Thank you for calling me every week to talk. Im gonna miss you so much. You were my cousin, but you will always be my Aunt Bessie. Thank you for always listening and being there for me. I love you so much.

Vivian Cage - January 12, 2022 at 09:57 PM

MR

“ Mary Robinson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Bessie Little



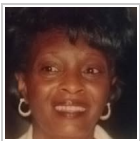
Mary Robinson - January 12, 2022 at 08:15 PM

OC

“ Opal Coleman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Bessie Little



Opal Coleman - January 12, 2022 at 08:14 PM



“ Elizabeth Hudspeth lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Bessie Little



Elizabeth Hudspeth - January 12, 2022 at 11:46 AM

DW

“ Doretta Joyce Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Mary Bessie Little



Doretta Joyce Williams - January 12, 2022 at 08:30 AM

ML

“ Margie Baty Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Bessie Little



Margie Baty Lawrence - January 12, 2022 at 07:46 AM

BW

“ Auntie you are truly beautiful ❤️ person We all have good memories of you RIH Queen

Beverly (Walker) Watson - January 12, 2022 at 06:49 AM

BW

“ Beverly (Walker) Watson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Bessie Little



Beverly (Walker) Watson - January 12, 2022 at 06:46 AM