



Mother Bennie Mae Cordwell

January 3, 1920 - April 25, 2015

Mother Bennie Mae Cordwell was born January 3, 1920 in Texarkana, TX, the daughter of Ben and Beatrice Young. On Saturday, April 25, 2015 in the early evening, Bennie Mae was surrounded by her beloved son, granddaughter, family and friends at her bedside as she transitioned to her eternal rest.

“Mother”, “Granny”, “Auntie Bennie”, whatever you called her, if you met her you connected with her gentle spirit and quiet demeanor. She was filled with Godly wisdom and you felt the presence of God always.

She leaves to cherish her memory, her son, Sam (Pamela) Cordwell, Saginaw, MI; a dear daughter, Verna Cordwell, Phoenix, AZ; dear nieces, Callie Elrod of Florida, Tina Pickett, Phoenix, AZ, Leila Eastman, Toronto, Canada, Janice Rochelle, Pontiac, MI and Lynn (Raymond) Presley, Saginaw, MI; nephews, Derick and Ashton of New York, Ossie (Patricia) Brummell and Patrick (Gloria) Williams, both of Saginaw, MI; grandchildren, Sandy (Corey) Davis and Tracy (Johnny) Brown; great-grandchildren, Core’Ana, Core’Aisa and Jackson; many other relatives and friends.

Besides her love for her family, Bennie Mae treasured each and every one of her friends which included, Lillie Jones, Rena Moore, Alma Wyatt, her god-daughter, Kim Carver, and most of all her church family.

Our Mom is now in the arms of her beloved Lord and Savior.

Bennie Mae was preceded in death by her beloved parents, Ben and Alberta Young; husband, Samuel Cordwell; son, Curtis Cordwell; sisters, Odie Jane and Marie Pickett; brothers, Charles, John and George Young; niece, Lurline Brummell; nephew, William Pickett; and sister-in-law, Orene Stanley.

Family hour will take place at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, May 1, 2015 at Messiah Missionary Baptist Church, 2615 Williamson Road with the funeral service commencing at 11:00 a.m. Pastor Otis Washington will officiate with burial in Forest Lawn Cemetery. Friends may call at the church on Friday from 10:00 a.m. until time of service.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Cemetery

3210 S. Washington Avenue
Saginaw, MI

Previous Events

Family Hour

MAY 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Messiah Missionary Baptist Church
2615 Williamson Road
Saginaw, MI 48601

Visitation

MAY 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

MAY 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

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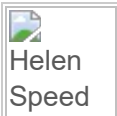
Tribute Wall



“ *Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mother Bennie Mae Cordwell*



Browne's Mortuary - May 07, 2015 at 12:11 PM



Thank you Granny for being in my life, and thank you for the love of family, truly an woman of God, miss and love you much !!!!!

Helen Speed - May 27, 2015 at 10:18 AM

RJ

The best I have seen!!! Very nice. Rubie Jones-White

Rube Jones-White - May 27, 2015 at 06:19 PM

SH

“ *I send my condolences to the Cordwell family I the pleasure of caring for Mrs.Cordwell and she was such a sweet person and soft spoken she will always be remembered in my heart*

Shon - May 03, 2015 at 10:32 PM

KW

“ *Sam, Pam, Verna, Sandy and Tracy I love you! May God Continue to Comfort and Strengthen You during this difficult time. Aunt Bennie became my other grandma in the 80's. We had a special relationship. I love and miss her. Heaven truly gained an angel.*

Kim Caver Wright - May 01, 2015 at 03:14 PM

AS

“ To Sam, Pam and family ,I'm sorry for your lost ,Ms. Cordwell will be missed,she was my 2nd mother. God Bless.
Antinella (Nell) Surles

antinella surles - May 01, 2015 at 05:56 AM

 Quinna
Richardso

“ *Sending my Deepest Condolences to the Cordwell family. I had the pleasure of caring for Mother Cordwell she was a Special person...I will miss her! God Bless , from Quinna*

Quinna Richardson - April 30, 2015 at 10:49 PM

MP

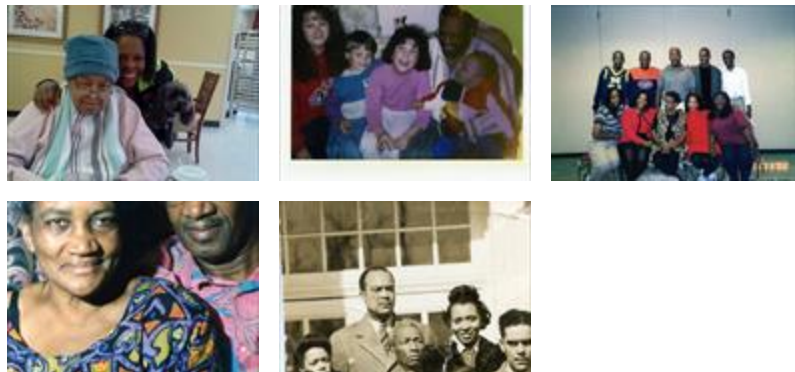
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martina pickett - April 30, 2015 at 10:42 PM

MP

“ 7 files added to the album *Mariepickett'sdaughterspics*



martina pickett - April 30, 2015 at 09:41 PM

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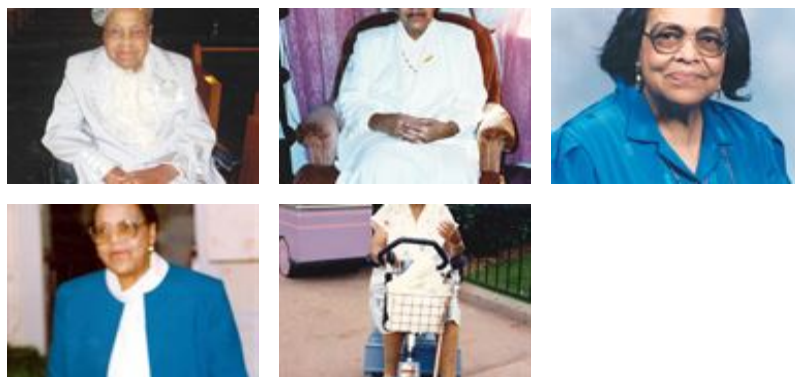
“ *Mosella Reed And Family lit a candle in memory of Mother Bennie Mae Cordwell*



Mosella Reed and Family - April 30, 2015 at 08:58 PM



“ 86 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Browne's Mortuary - April 30, 2015 at 06:26 PM

DF

“ Dorothy Kemp And Family lit a candle in memory of Mother Bennie Mae Cordwell



Dorothy Kemp and Family - April 30, 2015 at 01:29 PM

EB

“ On behalf of my family and extended family() THE PICKETT'S), we express our deep sympathy for the loss of a loving mother from our extended families. I called Auntie Bennie (Auntie), but she was really the sister of my Auntie Marie Pickett who was the wife of my dad's brother, William Pickett Sr. As a child I was one of all the cousins. We were together as small children but drifted apart over the years. Love to the remaining family members. Sammy, take comfort that your mom is with a loving GOD and those that have gone on before her.
With love, Ernestine (Pickett) Baker and family.

Ernestine Baker - April 30, 2015 at 12:40 PM

DT

“ Dorothy Terrell lit a candle in memory of Mother Bennie Mae Cordwell



dorothy terrell - April 30, 2015 at 11:34 AM

WH

“ *Walter/Dorothy Harris lit a candle in memory of Mother Bennie Mae Cordwell*



Walter/Dorothy Harris - April 30, 2015 at 09:26 AM

CU

“ *We would like to express our heartfelt condolences to the Cordwell family in this time of bereavement. Aunt Bennie was a caring, loving, wonderful person and she will be greatly missed by all.*

Cummings - April 29, 2015 at 06:52 PM

TF

“ *We would like to express our heartfelt condolences to the Cordwell family in this time of bereavement. Aunt Bennie was a caring, loving, wonderful person and she will be greatly missed by all.*

The Cummings Family - April 29, 2015 at 06:50 PM

EF

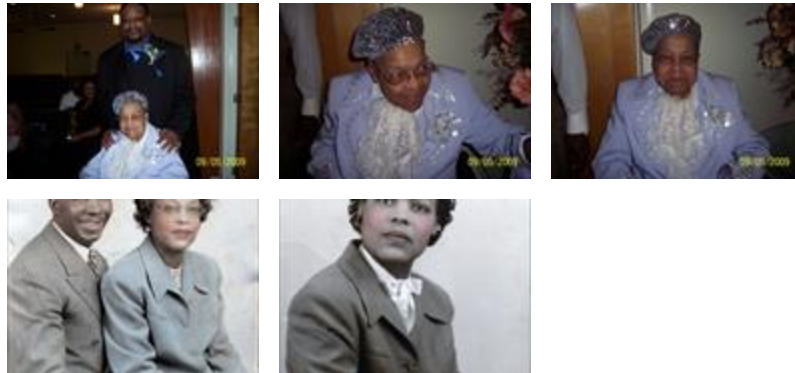
“ *Eugene Blair And Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Bennie Mae Cordwell*



Eugene Blair and Family - April 29, 2015 at 09:53 AM

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“ 5 files added to the album Mariepickett'sdaughterspics



Martina Pickett - April 28, 2015 at 06:43 PM

MP

“ I remember coming to 618 N7th St to visit Aunt Bennie and my Mom(her sister) would talk and talk and talk and visit...and Aunt Bennie would always say when we got ready to get on the road to go back home...lets hold hands and pray. You and Mom taught me that if I pray I can make it through anything. I will always remember you taught me how to drive on the freeway in your big green car. I miss you Auntie.

Martina

Martina Pickett - April 28, 2015 at 06:17 PM

GR

“ GENISE ROCHELLE sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Bennie Mae Cordwell



GENISE ROCHELLE - April 27, 2015 at 08:10 PM

GR

“ GENISE ROCHELLE sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Bennie Mae Cordwell



GENISE ROCHELLE - April 27, 2015 at 08:08 PM

HS

“ Helen Speed sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Bennie Mae Cordwell



Helen Speed - April 27, 2015 at 11:29 AM

HS

Grannie Bennie, we'll miss you so much, but God saw that the road was getting hard for you, he dispatched an Angel to guide you home, Thank God for an life well lived and loved, see you later granny at that great reunion, to be absent from the body , is to be present with the Lord.

Helen Speed - April 27, 2015 at 11:34 AM

SG

“ To the family of Ms. Bennie Cordwell:
I am so sorry for your loss but I am happy for
"Heaven" has truly gained an another Angel. I
met Ms. Cordwell through my great-Aunt, Ms.
Fannie Atkins and now the two of them are
together again as "Angels" up in heaven.



May God give you strength family as you endure the days ahead.

*Sincerely,
Sylvia George & Family
Gr-Niece of Fannie Atkins*

Sylvia George - April 27, 2015 at 09:01 AM

IF

“ *Ida Helton And Family lit a candle in memory
of Mother Bennie Mae Cordwell*



Ida Helton and family - April 26, 2015 at 03:39 PM