



Mrs. Oena P. McCray

April 25, 1932 - September 29, 2015

Mrs. Oena P. McCray passed away on Tuesday, September 29, 2015 at the age of 83 years.

In God's own time and way, and for His own purpose, Almighty God has reached down into our garden to pluck one of His beautiful flowers named Oena Perkins McCray. While Oena was surrounded by family and friends reminiscing of the good times, she quietly took her Master's hand to live in His heavenly garden on Tuesday night, September 29th. Oena was the eldest of three children born to Joe Ivy Perkins and Elma Jackson Perkins, and a native of Denham Springs, Louisiana. She was married to the late Marvin McCray, Sr. for over 60 years and they were the proud parents of four children. We know that due to her outreach of love, there are others who affectionately called her "Mom".

She was baptized at an early age as a member of Roberts Chapel Methodist Church, Denham Springs, LA., where she attended Sunday school and sang in the children's choir. She was proud to be a member of the first graduating class of West Livingston High School, and still treasured her Valedictorian speech. Oena and Marvin moved north to Saginaw, Michigan in the late 1950's, where they became faithful and dedicated members of Bethel A.M.E. Church. And, we are so thankful, Marvin kept his promise his mother-in-law, and returned Oena to Louisiana for college. She graduated in 1962, Cum Laude with a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from Southern

University, Baton Rouge, LA.

Oena returned to Saginaw and taught in the Buena Vista School District for over 35 years, while helping open three stores with her husband (Walnut Street Market, McCray's Market, and A&B Party 'Buster's' Store). During her employment, she enjoyed nurturing and making learning worthwhile to kids which included: coordinating many B.V. Talent Shows and Ricker Junior High Cedar Point trips; Coach for B.V.H.S. Pom-Pom squads, and Advisor to B.V. Class of 1980 & 1982. As she prepared her students for higher-education, she continued her own and received a Master's Degree in Secondary Administration from Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, MI. She was proud of her work experience as: teacher, special education teacher, work-study coordinator, Assistant Principal of Ricker Junior, and Principal of Paul L. Koeltzow Elementary, Archer A. Claytor Elementary and Charles F. Brunkow Elementary. Throughout the years Oena gained lots of respect, admiration, friendships, and additional children.

A "people" person, Oena enjoyed her many memberships and affiliations which included: Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.- Gamma Psi Sigma Chapter (Charter Member and Past Basileus); National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Inc.- Gamma Kappa Chapter (Charter Member and Past Basileus); Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc. (Charter Member and Past President); Bethel A.M.E. Church Usher Board No. 2 and Sunday School Teacher; Christina M. Goines Missionary Society; Bethel A.M.E. Federal Credit Union (Treasurer); Michigan Education Association; National Association of Elementary Principals; Buena Vista Education Association (Past President); Buena Vista Administrators Association (Past President); Buena Vista Board of Education (Past President); Bethel Chapter No.23—Order of Eastern Star, Prince Hall Affiliation (Secretary and Past Worthy Matron); Tri-City Guild No. 7 – Heroines of Templar Crusades (Past Princess Captain); Ephraim Court No. 7 – Heroines of Jericho (Past Most Ancient Matron); Omega Court No. 2 – Ladies

Of The Circle Of Perfection; Light of Hope Assembly No. 64 - Order of the Golden Circle; Prince Hall Grand Chapter – O.E.S. (Grand Scholarship Committee, Grand Youth Fraternity Sponsor & Advisor, and 2006 Convention – Co-Chair); Buena Vista Lioness Club (Past President); Mitten Bay Girl Scout Council (former Girl Scout leader); Buena Vista Scholarship Commission (President); Southern University Alumni Association, Saginaw Chapter (Charter Member); and National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (Life Member).

God gave Oena the ministry of helping others; this was an integral part of her life. She was always willing to step in wherever assistance was needed. Many of her peers gave her honors which included: Outstanding Service Award 1983 – Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority; Community Service Award 1984 – Ricker Jr. High P.T.A.; Outstanding Service Award – Bethel Chapter No.23 O.E.S.; Outstanding Citizen Award 1985 – Buena Vista School District; Outstanding Service Award 1985 – Bethel A.M.E. Christian Education Commission; Outstanding Service Award 1986 – Buena Vista Lioness Club, Woman of the Year Award 1986 – Prince Hall Grand Chapter O.E.S.; Woman of the Year Award 1988 – Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, and Mother of the Year Award 2005 – Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

Oena's motto was "Give to the world the best you have, and the best will come back to you". We know that the love we returned to her made her little light shine brighter – and it showed in her smile. Certainly, we will mourn the passing of our beloved mother, god-mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, cousin, niece and friend. But our memories of her will forever be dear to our hearts; and we will rejoice in the fact that our loved one has gone to her heavenly home where she is rejoicing.

Her loving and warm presence will be missed by her four children: Meatha

Gayle Winbush and Marva LeJuene Gordon, Saginaw, MI; Marlies McCray Mitchell, Denham Springs, LA; and Marvin 'Marty' McCray II, Saginaw, MI; ten grandchildren: Dena W. (Terry) Jackson, Henry (Nicol) Winbush Jr., Eric S. Gordon, Rachel, Ravyn & Randall Mitchell, Miracle & Precious Sherman-McCray, Ka'Marvia & Marve'onna McCray, one adopted granddaughter, Allegra Kendricks; and eleven great-grandchildren: Terry Jr., Jaden, Gabriel, Kyla, Eric Jr., Erielle, Khloe'i, Sa'Mariya, Deon III, Lauryn and Londyn.

Her memory will also be cherished and celebrated by her sister, Helen P. Washington, Inglewood, CA; her brother, Arthur L. Perkins, Sr., Denham Springs, LA; two aunts, Velma L. Barnes, Denham Springs, LA; and Aline T. Perkins, Baton Rouge, LA; five sisters-in-law, Nora Perkins, Denham Springs, LA; Theresa Cole, St. Augustine, FL; Ruby McCray, Saginaw, MI; Mary 'Sister' McCray, Baton Rouge, LA; and Gloria McCray, El Sobrante, CA; two brothers-in-law: Johnny McCray Jr, Greensburg, LA and L.C. Cole, St. Augustine, FL; a devoted son-in-law, Stanley 'Buster' Gordon; two god-daughters: Janet T. McGhee and Dana L. Washington, two god-sons, James V. McGhee and Reginald A. Evans; nine nieces, seven nephews, and a host of cousins and friends, including Patricia Scott, Gloria Jones, 'Sweet' Annie Jackson, Leonard Williams, Jane E. McGhee, and Glen Jackson (neighbor), and among the many play-daughters includes: Archia 'Peanut' Jackson, Corene Sturghill, and Sherrie Rivers.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband.

Funeral service will take place at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, October 9, 2015 at Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, 535 Cathay Street. Pastor P. David Saunders, Sr. will officiate with interment in Oakwood Cemetery. Friends may call at the Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 North Jefferson Avenue on Thursday from 2:00 until 8:00 p.m.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

6100 Gratiot Road
Saginaw, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 8. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (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

OCT 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethel A.M.E. Church
535 Cathay Street
Saginaw, MI 48601

Tribute Wall



“ *Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Browne's Mortuary - October 09, 2015 at 03:56 PM

NA

“ *Natalie Abernathy lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



natalie abernathy - October 14, 2015 at 03:25 PM

MW

“ *Mimi Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Mimi Williams - October 13, 2015 at 01:46 PM

RT

“ *Raymond Tucker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Raymond Tucker - October 10, 2015 at 03:44 PM

BH

“ *Brenda Harris lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Brenda Harris - October 09, 2015 at 12:02 PM

TP

“ *Tracey Packard lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Tracey Packard - October 09, 2015 at 09:46 AM

TF

“ *Thinking of you, Johnny McCray, Jr. & Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Mrs. Oena P. McCray.*



Thinking of you, Johnny McCray, Jr. & Family - October 08, 2015 at 11:52 PM

GW

“ So sorry for the pain you bear and the loss that you are feeling. Mrs McCray has made a difference in so many others lives and will be well remembered. May you find comfort in knowing that she lives on in many beautiful ways. Just remember Your Faith, Inner Strength and the Power of God's Love will carry you through.
With Deepest Sympathy
Gracie & Tonja



Gracie Witherspoon - October 08, 2015 at 09:42 PM

DT

“ To the family of Mrs Oena McCray. I was sadden to hear of the home going of your mother, grandmother, sister and special friend.



Oena is with the Lord, God needed a leader in heaven and he called her home. Oena is gone, but she will never be forgotten. She was an excellent wife, mother, educator and friend to many.

Weeping may endure for a night , but joy will come in the morning.

The entire McCray Family is in our prayers.

Dr Marie Wright Tolliver & Family

Dr Marie W Tolliver - October 08, 2015 at 09:20 PM

AT

“ *Annette Turner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Annette Turner - October 08, 2015 at 07:37 PM

MF

“ *I would like to send my deepest condolences to the McCray family, praying that god strengthens you all during this difficult time. The Flowers family sends our love.*



Michelle Flowers - October 08, 2015 at 07:14 PM

AC

“ *Praying for your family! I have great memories of your Mom and my Mom, Minnie Evans laughing and talking together. Thanking God that His peace will be with you exactly when you need it in the days ahead.*



Angela M. Crowley - October 08, 2015 at 07:07 PM

PS

“ *Patricia Steward lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Patricia Steward - October 08, 2015 at 06:18 PM

JF

“ *Your family from Greensburg, LA sends their love and blessings to you all With heartfelt sympathy and condolences. Aunt Oena will be missed.*



Johnny McCray and family - October 08, 2015 at 04:58 PM

CT

“ *Cynthia Davis Townsend lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Cynthia Davis Townsend - October 08, 2015 at 04:16 PM

LO

“ *Leah O'Daniels lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Leah O'Daniels - October 08, 2015 at 01:34 PM

RC

“ *Rosa Conway lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Rosa Conway - October 08, 2015 at 01:33 PM



“ 124 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



*Wedding Reception
Marvin & Oena McCray*



Browne's Mortuary - October 08, 2015 at 11:30 AM

LC

“ *The Canty Family*



Luanda Tank Canty - October 08, 2015 at 06:37 AM

LW

“ *Lonnie Wood lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Oena P. McCray*



Lonnie Wood - October 08, 2015 at 05:33 AM

LW

“ *Latoya Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Latoya Williams - October 07, 2015 at 08:00 PM

PW

“ *Pastors McKinley & Karen M Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Pastors McKinley & Karen M Williams - October 07, 2015 at 07:33 PM

GT

“ *Mrs. McCray was one of our teacher's and a Friend, every time I would see her she was smiling her SMILE (BEAUTIFUL) was the soul to her Spirit ...Mrs. McCray you are LOVED and will be Missed*
GWENDOLYN TOLLIVER-CHAMBERS



Gwendolyn Tolliver-Chambers - October 07, 2015 at 02:19 PM

DT

“ *To the McCray family remember after the tears dried and the goodbyes have been said, all we have to hold onto are the happy memories that we've shared with our loved one who have passed, this is what keeps them alive in our hearts and in our minds, and they will continue to live on, through us. Our deepest condolences and prayers are with you. From David Tolliver and Family.*

David Tolliver - October 07, 2015 at 02:08 PM

HB

“ *Helen Bivens lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Helen Bivens - October 07, 2015 at 07:55 AM



“ *Lawrence Brooks lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Lawrence Brooks - October 07, 2015 at 07:08 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Oena P. McCray.*



October 06, 2015 at 09:01 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Oena P. McCray.*



October 06, 2015 at 06:32 PM

JP

“ To the McCray Family: Our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. Hoping the legacy left will be a source of strength and comortar to you all. God bless you all!
Josephine Pelt and Family



JosephiNE Pelt - October 06, 2015 at 05:51 PM

DG

“ Delphine Greene lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Delphine Greene - October 06, 2015 at 05:04 PM

MA

“ Michelle A. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mrs. Oena P. McCray.



Michelle A. - October 06, 2015 at 03:47 PM

PM

“ Patricia M. purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Mrs. Oena P. McCray.



Patricia M. - October 06, 2015 at 03:42 PM

GF

“ *Genobia Flunder lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Genobia Flunder - October 06, 2015 at 02:24 PM

SH

“ *Stephanie Hall lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Stephanie Hall - October 06, 2015 at 11:35 AM

CH

“ *To Mrs Oena McCray Family
Mrs McCray was a great women and her spirit and greatness she gave the whole BV school district and BV community will never be forgotten. I am so grateful to have known her and I enjoyed her each time I saw her she was a JEWEL that will be missed by all. God knows best and its was time for her to take a good rest and know she is enjoying all her rewards above with the LORD. Mrs McCay helped so so many people and she was a great light on many but she just had that kind giving spirit of love. I will miss her smile and love she spreaded all over. Family be strong in the LORD and you will see her again. May God Bless and keep you.*

Cherlone Hill and Family

cherlone hill - October 06, 2015 at 08:22 AM

JS

“ *Johnnie Simmons lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Johnnie Simmons - October 06, 2015 at 06:56 AM

MF

“ *Mosella Reed And Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Mosella Reed and Family - October 05, 2015 at 08:20 PM

EF

“ *Eugene Blair And Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Eugene Blair and Family - October 05, 2015 at 08:19 PM

"F

“ *"The Petty Family" lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



"The Petty Family" - October 05, 2015 at 07:17 PM

LM

“ *Lorena Muse lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Lorena Muse - October 05, 2015 at 07:11 PM

TF

“ *THE RIVERS FAMILY*

THE RIVERS FAMILY - October 05, 2015 at 06:19 PM

TF

“ *THE RIVERS FAMILY lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



THE RIVERS FAMILY - October 05, 2015 at 06:18 PM

TF

“ *THE RIVERS FAMILY lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



THE RIVERS FAMILY - October 05, 2015 at 06:16 PM

TF

“ *THE RIVERS FAMILY lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



THE RIVERS FAMILY - October 05, 2015 at 06:15 PM

JM

“ *To the family of Sister Oena P. McCray,
My sincere condolences in the loss of our beautiful and dedicated
sister. We will definitely miss her and her contributions to National
Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Incorporated, most especially Gamma
Kappa Chapter. She is gone, but not forgotten.
May the Lord comfort and keep you during this difficult time.
With Sisterly love and prayers.
Dr. Jessie Muldrew of Gamma Delta Chapter, Flint, MI*

Jessie Muldrew - October 05, 2015 at 06:01 PM

RW

“ *Rita Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Oena P. McCray*



Rita Williams - October 05, 2015 at 02:44 PM

AT

“ *Alandya Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Alandya Taylor - October 05, 2015 at 02:16 PM

BR

“ *Bettina Redeemer lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



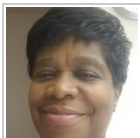
Bettina Redeemer - October 05, 2015 at 01:46 PM



“ *Sorry to hear of ur loss praying for the family knowing Mrs McCray is in her heavenly home.*



Mittie Buchanan-Russell - October 05, 2015 at 06:14 AM



“ *Praying for the family of Mrs. McCray she will be truly missed by the Powell & Lillie Faulk & family.*

Janice Powell-coleman - October 04, 2015 at 09:10 PM

P(

“ I loved Ms Oena we were like family. Ive known her most of my life. Ms Oena would give you the shirt off here back . The Queen will b missed. God bless here family my prayers are with the family. See you in heaven one day.

Pamela Henley (Banks - October 04, 2015 at 07:53 PM

KH

“ Kenneth Harris lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Kenneth Harris - October 04, 2015 at 04:59 PM

WB

“ WALSEZETTA BENNETT sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



WALSEZETTA BENNETT - October 04, 2015 at 06:27 AM

JR

“ Jackie Ray lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Jackie Ray - October 04, 2015 at 01:02 AM

GP

“ Geraldine Parris lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Geraldine Parris - October 03, 2015 at 10:36 PM

ST

“ Saralyn Thompson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



saralyn thompson - October 03, 2015 at 10:33 PM

KF

Mrs McCray will truly be missed may God bless the family my prayers are with you

Kevin Richard & family - October 05, 2015 at 02:00 PM

AP

To the family of Mrs. Onea McCray, I am so sorry to hear of her passing. Thanks be to God for her life and her legacy. Her passion and commitment to the Church and the Credit Union will never be forgotten. It was a learning experience for me to serve with her on the Bethel AME Federal Credit Union Board of Directors. She has made the transition we all will make at some appointed time. God's word tells us, "For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." I pray God grant unto you peace and comfort that transcends man's understanding during this very difficult time.
Alberta Pruitt

Alberta Pruitt - October 07, 2015 at 10:08 PM

AT

“ Atlanta Thompson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Atlanta Thompson - October 03, 2015 at 10:33 PM

AC

“ Buena Vista school district was a better place because of Mrs. McCray. After retiring she still kept a special place in her heart for the district being part of scholarship committee and a member of the school board. she lived her life her way always pushing forward when we were tells nag her to slow down.....family I hope you know she was a special lady!

Arwanda Conner - October 03, 2015 at 09:27 PM

PF

“ Parham Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Parham Family - October 03, 2015 at 05:32 PM

JL

“ Jenise Lewis sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



jenise lewis - October 03, 2015 at 03:39 PM

AP

“ To the family of Onea McCray, I am so sorry to hear of her passing. Thanks be to God for her life and her legacy. Her passion and commitment to the Church and the Credit Union will never be forgotten. It was an learning experience for me to serve with her on the Bethel AME Federal Credit Union Board of Directors. She has made the transition we all will make at some appointed time. God's word tells us, "For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." I pray God grant unto you peace and comfort that transcends man's understanding during this very difficult time. Alberta Pruitt

Alberta Pruitt - October 03, 2015 at 03:14 PM

AP

“ Praying for the Family during this time.



A. Maria Patrick - October 03, 2015 at 09:55 AM

SG

“ Sallie M. Gaiter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Sallie M. Gaiter - October 03, 2015 at 07:08 AM



“ *Trent Tcbomello lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Trent Tcbomello - October 03, 2015 at 04:54 AM



Mrs McCray, you will most certainly be missed. Thank you for all your years of friendship, along with your family, to my family. So many wonderful memories. Love you, and I wish you a peaceful journey

Trent Tcbomello - October 03, 2015 at 04:57 AM

EB

*To the family of Mrs. McCray,
We are praying for your strength as you hold to God's unchanging hand.*

Ernest and Lorene Burnell

Ernest R. burnell - October 04, 2015 at 08:58 AM

EM

To the family of Oena...May you find peace in prayer....love to the family....E.W. and Denise Maryland

Eddie Maryland - October 04, 2015 at 06:33 PM

BF

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you*



Beverley Ford - October 03, 2015 at 03:24 AM

AW

“ To the family of Mrs. McCray,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you during
this time of bereavement.
AnnaWillams, Angelia Wiliams & Anita
Jackson & Family



Angelia Williams - October 02, 2015 at 09:53 PM

BW

“ Barb Weigandt lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Oena P. McCray



Barb Weigandt - October 02, 2015 at 08:40 PM

BL

“ Bobbie Crosby Locke lit a candle in memory
of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Bobbie Crosby Locke - October 02, 2015 at 06:34 PM

SM

“ We Light this candle in you memory Madea
To The McCray, Winbush, Gordon Family
To be absent from the body is to be present
with the Lord

May God provide the comfort to you during
your time of Mourn

We love you all,

Faye, Shasta and Goobie and the Entire Mounger Family



Sonandra Mounger - October 02, 2015 at 06:04 PM

BM

“ The Miller family would like to send our
condolences, thoughts, hugs, and prayers to
the family of Mrs. McCray. May you keep her
alive through your memories. You now have
an angel looking down from heaven upon
you.



Brenda Miller - October 02, 2015 at 05:30 PM

AF

“ Annie Fairris lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Oena P. McCray



Annie Fairris - October 02, 2015 at 03:04 PM

RF

“ *Rev. & Mrs. Jodie Williams & Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Rev. & Mrs. Jodie Williams & Family - October 02, 2015 at 02:04 PM

TF

“ *The Jackson Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



The Jackson Family - October 02, 2015 at 01:49 PM

DM

“ *God bless the McCray family, you have our blessings, Darquavius Miree, Tom Miree and Musingska.*



Darquavius Miree - October 02, 2015 at 12:39 PM

OF

“ *Opal Coleman And Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Opal Coleman and family - October 02, 2015 at 12:32 PM

DM

“ *Diana Miree lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Diana Miree - October 02, 2015 at 12:30 PM

DF

“ *Diana Miree And Family. sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Diana Miree and family. - October 02, 2015 at 12:29 PM

BA

“ *To the McCray Family, Praying for your strength during this time. God Bless. Barbara Payton and Family*



Barbara - October 02, 2015 at 11:09 AM

TF

“ *The Conic Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



The Conic Family - October 02, 2015 at 09:19 AM

TC

“ I have known Mrs. McCray most of my life, and it has truly been a pleasure. I remember her as far back as a young girl in elementary, middle, and high school, but it wasn't until I became an adult that we became good friends. I enjoyed the time we spent with one another on the Buena Vista School Board and Scholarship Committee. Just as I, Mrs. McCray wanted to see every child excel, and it was proven through her actions. She will truly be missed by all!

Praying for the entire McCray family,

Tracie L. Conic

Tracie Conic - October 02, 2015 at 09:18 AM

TF

“ THE ROBY FAMILY lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



THE ROBY FAMILY - October 02, 2015 at 12:07 AM

PM

“ Pamela Monroe lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Pamela Monroe - October 01, 2015 at 08:23 PM

B#

“ Bethel Chapter #23, Order of the Eastern Star, PHA.



Bethel Chapter #23 - October 01, 2015 at 05:35 PM

CS

“ Charles Samuels lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Charles Samuels - October 01, 2015 at 05:23 PM

SS

“ Savannah B. Samuels lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Savannah B. samuels - October 01, 2015 at 05:19 PM

MH

“ To the McCray family, you guys have my and my family condolences. I remember Mrs. McCray from being my elementary school principal. She was an amazing woman and although it has been years since I last seen her, I'll never forget her. I know that she is resting peacefully with the Lord. Rest on Mrs. McCray!!!

Love Always,

Marcia Hulett & Family!!!!



Marcia Hulett - October 01, 2015 at 03:14 PM

LO

“ Lisa Owens lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Lisa Owens - October 01, 2015 at 01:21 PM

VB

“ Vivian Keys Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Vivian Keys Brown - October 01, 2015 at 11:34 AM

LP

“ *LaJuan Prince lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



LaJuan Prince - October 01, 2015 at 11:22 AM

LC

“ *MRS McCray Thank you for being there for me when I was in the worst time of my life You can rest on no more suffering and pain.....TANK*



Luanda Tank Canty - October 01, 2015 at 11:15 AM



“ *Arthur Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Arthur Williams - October 01, 2015 at 11:03 AM

CA

“ *Carey Alford-Cargile lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Carey Alford-Cargile - October 01, 2015 at 10:25 AM

TC

“ Tracy L. Cormier lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Tracy L. Cormier - October 01, 2015 at 10:03 AM

JC

“ Judge Terry L. Clark lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Judge Terry L. Clark - October 01, 2015 at 09:46 AM

SR

“ Love you mamma McCray gonna miss you!!!! You fought hard now you'll get some rest and await the sound of the trumpet to resurrection in the new system❤️❤️❤️ I send my love to my family the McCrays love all of you!!!!!!❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️

Sherrie rivers-corbin - October 01, 2015 at 08:47 AM

WF

“ Walton Choyce Clark Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



walton choyce clark family - October 01, 2015 at 07:53 AM

RW

“ Rodney Walker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Rodney Walker - October 01, 2015 at 05:10 AM

LC

“ Larry Conway sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Larry Conway - September 30, 2015 at 11:13 PM

GC

“ Gwen, Larry Conway sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Gwen, Larry Conway - September 30, 2015 at 11:12 PM

CM

“ C. J. Mason



C.J. Mason - September 30, 2015 at 10:38 PM

CM

A phenomenon woman who naturally showed Love and Kindness will be dearly missed. Peace be with you Family.

C.J. Mason - October 01, 2015 at 08:53 PM



*What a beautiful loving woman...My sincere condolences
Ollie Sharper*

Ollie Sharper - October 01, 2015 at 10:46 PM

WB

“ *Willie & Diane Bond lit a candle in memory of
Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Willie & Diane Bond - September 30, 2015 at 10:04 PM

LP

“ *To the Family of Oena McCray. National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Incorporated, Gamma Kappa Chapter, salute our Founder, past Basileus, Educator, and Sister for the work she has done and the countless lives she has touched over the years. She will be greatly missed for she performed the work that she was placed on this earth to do. Now she has transitioned to the spiritual realm to receive her reward. Our prayers are with the family as you mourn the loss of your mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend. Know that God is with you all giving you comfort during this difficult time.*



Lillian Jones-Thomas, Ed.D., President - September 30, 2015 at 10:03 PM

AJ

“ *Annie Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Annie Jackson - September 30, 2015 at 09:28 PM

AF

“ *Annie Jackson Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Annie Jackson Family - September 30, 2015 at 09:26 PM

VJ

“ *Vera Jones sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Vera Jones - September 30, 2015 at 09:14 PM

AM

“ To The Family of Mrs. Oena McCray, So very sorry to hear of the passing of your loved one. She was a great educator who was dedicated to helping children succeed. She always had a pleasant smile whenever you saw her. She will be greatly missed by all those who knew and loved her. She touched so many lives and made a difference in their lives. Rest in heaven Oena, you were a good and faithful servant. My prayers are with the family as you mourn the loss of your beautiful loved one. God will see you through this period of bereavement.

Audrey McKandes - September 30, 2015 at 08:45 PM

GO

“ To the family of Mrs. Oena P. McCray, I lift you up in prayers. There are no words that I could use to express my sorrow in hearing of Oena's passing. Hold on to God's unchanging hands in the days to come.
Mrs. Gail B. Herring Oliver

Gail B. Oliver - September 30, 2015 at 08:19 PM

OW

“ To the Family, please know that my prayers and thoughts are with you at this time. Know that God is with you to undergird you as you go through this season. He is right by your side and the prayers with love are all around you. Olivia Williams



Olivia Williams - September 30, 2015 at 07:42 PM

LJ

“ To the McCray family,
Don't let your heart be troubled. I am going to
prepare a place for
you. I will come again, and will receive you to
myself; that where I am, you
may be there also. Believe in God
Believe that MRS McCray is in our Father's house, no more
aches, no pain.
Nothing but Love, for the family



Louis Cassell Mitchell Jr - September 30, 2015 at 07:24 PM

HF

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family
of Mrs. McCray. May the Lord give you
strength and comfort at this time. JoAnne,
Terri Ann Herring and Portia Brown



Herring Family - September 30, 2015 at 07:00 PM

RB

“ Rosette Blakes sent a virtual gift in memory of
Mrs. Oena P. McCray



Rosette Blakes - September 30, 2015 at 04:07 PM

SM

“ *Sam And Deborah Mack lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Sam and Deborah Mack - September 30, 2015 at 03:29 PM

SM

Our prayers are with the family. God's blessings to each of you.

Sam and Deborah Mack - September 30, 2015 at 03:30 PM

TF

“ *The Gaines Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



The Gaines Family - September 30, 2015 at 03:19 PM

CY

“ *Cynthia and Levi Essex*



Cynthia - September 30, 2015 at 02:32 PM

MJ

“ *Mattie M. Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Mattie M. Jackson - September 30, 2015 at 02:22 PM

MJ

Mrs. McCray Was a Great Principle to all the children in the B.V. School system, she will be GREATLY missed.

Mattie M. Jackson - September 30, 2015 at 02:24 PM

TF

“ *The Sanders Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



The Sanders Family - September 30, 2015 at 12:48 PM

MF

“ *Mrs. Cora Mitchell & Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Mrs. Cora Mitchell & Family - September 30, 2015 at 11:52 AM

HJ

“ *Houston And Elaine Jackson, Jr. sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Houston and Elaine Jackson, Jr. - September 30, 2015 at 11:31 AM

HJ

We're going to miss her "Beautiful Smile and Spirit!" She had a "Glow" about her. It was a blessing to have her in our lives. She was the "BEST!!!" Our condolences and prayers go out to the Family & Friends. God Bless & We Love You Guys!

Houston and Elaine Jackson, Jr. - September 30, 2015 at 11:46 AM

KF

“ *PRAYING FOR THE FAMILY*



katherine feltson - September 30, 2015 at 11:23 AM

GB

“ *Gwen Bowman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oena P. McCray*



Gwen Bowman - September 30, 2015 at 11:16 AM

SB

“ *Shonda Bray lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Oena P. McCray*



Shonda Bray - September 30, 2015 at 09:46 AM