



Mrs. Victoria Owens

November 22, 1932 - March 7, 2017

Our beautiful mother was born November 22, 1932 in Brownsville, Tennessee to the late James Douglas and Bettie Taylor. She became a remarkable woman.

At 13 years old in September of 1946, she met Willie James Owens, Sr. and started an improbable courtship. On October 12, 1946 (yes, just one month later), they skipped across the state line to Mississippi and were married. That romance lasted 57 years until his death in 2002. Victoria said she was determined to be a good mother. She exceeded her expectations. Victoria regretted not being able to finish her formal education but she didn't need to apologize. Her works speak for her. She was a devoted wife who stayed with her husband through sickness and health and a role model mother.

Victoria loved attending church, going to bingo, cooking for her family, shopping and traveling. She would be quick to remind everyone that she was a member of Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church back when Rev. Bradley was the pastor.

Our mothers' biggest source of pride was being a mother. She took her job seriously from the tough love she personally administered in our childhoods to the friendly counseling we received as we became adults. She loved talking to strangers about her six sons. She was feisty, intelligent and selfless. Her final words were, "I love you."

She leaves to cherish her memory, her sons, Willie James, Jr. (Berta Jimenez) of Saginaw, MI, Eric Frank (Peggy) of Atlanta, GA, Earnest Arthur (Juanita Rush) of Indianapolis, IN, Larry Glenn of Saginaw, MI, Steve (Della) of Waco, TX and Joseph Lee (Sheila) of Dallas, TX, they were her world. Victoria also leaves, 16 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren; her sister, Cardelia King of Saginaw, MI; brothers, General of Detroit, MI and Steve of Tennessee. She had a special bond with nieces Betty Pruitt of Jackson, TN, Elizabeth Owen and Barbara Ann Ezell both of Saginaw, MI.

Mrs. Owens was preceded in death by her brothers, James, Earnest and Sonny and her sister, Cora Lee Jones

The family would like to express special thanks to Pamela Walker and the staff at Saginaw Geriatrics Nursing Home.

Family hour will take place at 11:00 a.m. with the funeral service commencing at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, March 13, 2017 at Mt. Olive Institutional Missionary Baptist Church, 1114 N. 6th Street. Dr. Marvin T. Smith will officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery. Friends may call at the Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 North Jefferson Avenue on Sunday from 2:00 until 8:00 p.m. Family will greet friends from 4-6 p.m.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Cemetery

3210 S. Washington Avenue
Saginaw, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 12. 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

MAR 13. 12:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church
1114 North 6th Street
Saginaw, MI 48601

Tribute Wall



“ *Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



Browne's Mortuary - March 14, 2017 at 03:31 PM

M(

Very Beautifully Made, So Glad to see all of you in this video..... Your cousin (poochie) stay in touch I'm in dallas I sent my phone and address in the tribute wall its at the bottom.... Love be you guys !!!!!

Mary Taylor Saulsberry (Poochie) - April 10, 2017 at 08:35 AM



“ *I still come to this page... the years past, but I can never get use to you being gone. Love your Shadow.*



Shannon Victoria - November 08, 2021 at 10:14 AM

((

“ *(Taylor) Mary Saulsberry (poochie) sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



(Taylor) Mary Saulsberry (poochie) - April 10, 2017 at 07:28 AM

DM

“ *Doloris Mixon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



Doloris Mixon - March 24, 2017 at 11:41 AM

VS

“ *Vermell Sangster lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



Vermell Sangster - March 16, 2017 at 08:31 PM

VS

My condolences to the Owens Family, I will continue to keep you in prayer as I have been in the same place as you all, stay strong and each day will not get better but will be easier to hear!

Vermell Sangster - March 16, 2017 at 08:34 PM

DB

“ *To Larry Owens and family, sending my condolences in the loss of your mother. No words may not ease the pain your bearing right now, may you find some comfort in knowing others care. May God Bless you all.*



Diane Blackmon - March 15, 2017 at 04:34 PM

JB

“ *Julia Bates-Price lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



Julia Bates-Price - March 14, 2017 at 05:52 AM

MH

“ *MARY HUBBERT lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



MARY HUBBERT - March 13, 2017 at 12:15 PM

JM

“ *Barbara Ann peace be with you at this time Dorothy R Brown please call me at 15734711724 .*



JoEllen G Mc - March 13, 2017 at 11:11 AM

DJ

“ *To Larry Owens and your family so sorry for the loss of your mother. I pray that God will give you the comfort you need to get through this difficult time. My prayers are with you.*

Diane Johnson - March 13, 2017 at 08:26 AM

JW

My deepest sympathy, to the Owens family. May God continue to give you strength.

Jws - March 13, 2017 at 06:38 PM

DA

“ *Diana Miree & F Amily sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



Diana Miree & F amily - March 13, 2017 at 03:35 AM

TF

“ *We remember Mrs Owens as a beautiful person. She was in fact EXTREMELY proud of her sons and The Mt Olive Institutional Missionary Baptist Church. She was a God fearing woman with a kind and generous heart. We will miss her.*
The BL Little Family

the BL Little Family - March 13, 2017 at 12:06 AM

TF

“ *The BL Little Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



the BL Little Family - March 13, 2017 at 12:02 AM

IS

“ *Iris Sprowl lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



Iris Sprowl - March 12, 2017 at 10:36 PM

PA

“ *Patricia Alford lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



Patricia Alford - March 12, 2017 at 10:30 PM

GL

“ *To the Owens family. You have my heartfelt sympathy in transition of your mother from her earthly home to be with her heavenly Father. I know you have great memories that will bring you peace and comfort.*

Glendora Lawrence - March 12, 2017 at 06:53 PM

TF

“ *The Ford Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



The Ford Family - March 12, 2017 at 06:40 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Victoria Owens.*



March 12, 2017 at 05:13 PM



“ *Ms. Brenda Bryant-Reynolds & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



Ms. Brenda Bryant-Reynolds & Family - March 12, 2017 at 02:00 PM



“ *Prayers to the owens Family My childhood friend and classmate Mrs Owens will truly be missed. RIH*



Arthur Williams - March 12, 2017 at 11:13 AM



“ *Rita Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



Rita Williams - March 12, 2017 at 08:46 AM

CJ

“ Chris Jernigan sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens



Chris Jernigan - March 11, 2017 at 10:37 PM

JJ

“ Jennifer Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens



jennifer jackson - March 11, 2017 at 06:18 PM

BE

“ Barbara Ezell sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens



Barbara Ezell - March 11, 2017 at 11:01 AM

BE

“ Well Lord you know that my heart is heavy but I know that my auntie is in a better place And the most important thing is that THERE'S NO MORE SUFFERING SHE HAS RECEIVED HER WINGS TO GO THROUGH THE GOLDEN GATES OF HEAVEN, Monday will be a BITTER SWEET DAY March 13, 2017 we will give my aunt Victoria Owens a beautiful HOME GOING and I will be celebrating my 56 year birthday RIH AUNTIE GONE BUT WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN

Barbara Ezell - March 11, 2017 at 11:00 AM



“ Praying for you and your family



Facishon Moore - March 11, 2017 at 06:49 AM

PW

“ Patricia "Patty" Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens



Patricia "Patty" Williams - March 10, 2017 at 07:47 PM

Betty
Braylock-
McBroom

“ Betty Braylock-McBroom sent a virtual gift in
memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens



Betty Braylock-McBroom - March 10, 2017 at 07:07 PM

Betty
Braylock-
McBroom

“ Betty Braylock-McBroom lit a candle in
memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens



Betty Braylock-McBroom - March 10, 2017 at 07:06 PM

CM

“ Chaka McMillan lit a candle in memory of
Mrs. Victoria Owens



Chaka McMillan - March 10, 2017 at 06:07 PM

DS

“ Denise Sykes lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Victoria Owens



Denise Sykes - March 10, 2017 at 06:06 PM

JW

“ *Joanie Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



Joanie Williams - March 10, 2017 at 03:48 PM

DD

“ *Your family has my sympathy.
I met Mrs.Owens sons at the nursing home.
I pray God gives you peace.*

Debra Dillard - March 10, 2017 at 12:35 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased
for the family of Mrs. Victoria Owens.*



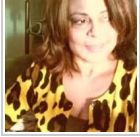
March 10, 2017 at 10:43 AM

JS

“ *Janie Surles-Cork lit a candle in memory of
Mrs. Victoria Owens*



Janie Surles-Cork - March 10, 2017 at 08:19 AM



“ *So generous and kind. Thank you Mrs Owens for welcoming our family into your home on our visits back home.*

Lexine Darden - March 10, 2017 at 04:45 AM



“ *Charlotte McMillan-Harper lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



Charlotte McMillan-Harper - March 10, 2017 at 12:33 AM



“ *In loving memories of Vickie, she will be missed.*



Margaret H Carter - March 10, 2017 at 12:22 AM



“ *I'm very blessed to have had her be a part of life I'm going to miss her spunk and her cute little laugh Rest in Heaven Granny I love you and I promise I'll take good care of your grand baby Shayla and your son Willie -Bert*

Berta Jimenez - March 09, 2017 at 10:13 PM

BS

“ *Billy & Karen Cork & Sons lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



Billy & Karen Cork & Sons - March 09, 2017 at 09:30 PM

GR

“ *GRockett lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



GRockett - March 09, 2017 at 06:42 PM

SP

“ *My condolence to the Owens family in the last of Mrs. Owens. My prayers are with all of you.*



Shelaine Parrish - March 09, 2017 at 03:59 PM

CG

“ *Carol Johnson Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



Carol Johnson Gardner - March 09, 2017 at 02:50 PM

GL

“ To the Owens Family. You have my sincerest sympathy in the passing of your beloved mother. May God grant you peace and comfort during your time of bereavement.

Glendorah Lawrence - March 09, 2017 at 11:11 AM

KA

“ Our prayers are with you all.



Kathy & David Andrus - March 09, 2017 at 10:04 AM

TE

“ May God bless the family of Victoria Owens. May the memories of your love one keep you strong during this time of sorrow. Your mother was a beautiful lady who had such a wonderful spirit. I will miss her presents. Even just laughing, and joking with her. Tembley



Tembley - March 08, 2017 at 09:16 PM

TE

“ Tembley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens



Tembley - March 08, 2017 at 08:53 PM

WB

“ *Walsezetta Bennett sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



Walsezetta Bennett - March 08, 2017 at 07:47 PM

DW

“ *Deborah Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens*



Deborah Williams - March 08, 2017 at 05:22 PM

DT

“ To the family of Victoria Owens. I was sadden to hear of the passing of my beloved and dearest friend, whom I had known for over sixty years.



Vickie as I called her , we were more like sisters than friends. We loved Vickie , but God loved her best. .She is now resting in the arms of our Lord and savior. Vickie has also joined her beloved husband Moe that she dearly loved.

To the children and grand children, you may call on me at any time , Im just a call away. Ill be your mother and grand mother until God calls me home.

Weeping may endure for a night, but joy will come in the morning.
The entire Owens Family is in our prayers.
Dr Marie Wright Tolliver & Family.

Dr Marie Wright Tolliver - March 08, 2017 at 10:09 AM

VH

“ Vanessa Humes-Johnson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens



Vanessa Humes-Johnson - March 08, 2017 at 06:51 AM

VF

“ Valerie Foster-Baker sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens



Valerie Foster-Baker - March 07, 2017 at 07:07 PM

TH

“ Tiffani Hollis sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Victoria Owens



Tiffani Hollis - March 07, 2017 at 05:17 PM

DB

*Our Prayers & Sympathies to the Family with much Love.
From: Family and Friends of Las Vegas, Nv.*

Demary Coleman Burns - March 12, 2017 at 05:58 PM

M(

To My Beloved Aunt, Thank You For Being There Fôr us When We Lost My dad, Your brother sonny, I remember you and Moe Driving us to Tennessee to the services, I was only I believe 3yrs old I still remember that, But not only did you continue to be there for us when mom remarried and we lost him to you and uncle Moe were there once again, Than mom died and you still were there. You Are Quite The Incredible Women That everyone has said you are and more To my cousins willie, Larry, earnest, Steve,joe. Eric, You Haven't lost anything but has gained so much. You Have an incredible loving mother that will always be by your side spiritually..... To know Christ is eternal life. I've read all of the memorial sayings, How could you touch so many people and not know God.... She is truely loved and everything here that's been said is true.Love You Guys Always, Your Cousin Poochie. Call if you need me I'm living in dallas tx now. Phone 810-423-9162 e-mail 3392mary@comcast.net

mary taylor (poochie) - April 10, 2017 at 06:54 AM