



## Mr. Willie Earl Banks

September 6, 1951 - November 24, 2020

Mr. Willie Banks passed away on Tuesday, November 24, 2020 at the age of 69 years.

Willie Earl Banks transitioned to his Heavenly home on November 24, 2020 at the age of 69 years. Willie Earl was born in Blytheville, Arkansas on Sept 6, 1951 to James and Williease Terry Banks. Willie Earl was a loving brother, father, uncle, grandfather and devoted friend.

He was a graduate of Saginaw High School Class of 1969. Upon graduation he gained employment with General Motors where he remained until his retirement. He was a member of Zion Valley Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor DeQuan Ford.

Willie Earl leaves to cherish his loving memory, two sisters; Willa Banks-Eli and Ella Jean (Booker T) Marshall; three children; Tomika Morris of Alpharetta, GA, Marcus Lyons of Saginaw, MI and Passion Lyons of Orlando, FL; two nieces; Denise Roberts (Albert) Maynard of Savage, MD, Dwana Banks of Saginaw, MI and Leslie LaToya Banks of Toledo, OH., three nephews; Darrin Banks of Indianapolis, IN, Lionell Terrell of Saginaw, MI and Bryant Terrell of Apopka, FL.; eight grandchildren; Tianna Hall of Alpharetta, GA, Marcus Lyons Jr., Makari Lyons, Kamia Lyons, Monica, Allyah, Asia, Armar and Amarina; his lifelong friend/brother Vernon (Baycoodie) Jones;

special friends, Shirley Jones, Daisy Taylor, Gladys Crayon, Johnny Webb, Derrick (Froggy) Smith, Fefe (Darnell) Green, the Gibson and O'Neal families, Lathan (Slick) Hutchins, Carl Lane, Fred Curry, Barbara Jones, David Taylor and Jamison Lavell Johnson.

Mr. Banks was preceded in death by his parents, James and Williease Banks; his brothers, James, Jr and Leslie Banks; his sister, Dorothy Terrell; his cousin, T.J. Terry and brother-in-law, Lionell Terrell.

The family would like to express special thanks to Evans & Browne's Funeral Home.

Visitation will take place on Thursday, December 3, 2020 from 2:00 until 6:00 p.m. at Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 North Jefferson Avenue, Saginaw, Michigan 48607. Pastor DeQuan Ford will officiate with interment in Buena Vista Cemetery, 612 S. Airport Road, Saginaw, Michigan 48601. A private service will be held.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Cemetery

3210 S. Washington Avenue  
Saginaw, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 3. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home  
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Saginaw, MI 48607  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Browne's Mortuary - December 04, 2020 at 01:50 PM

FB

*Never met this relative, and didn't make it to the funeral. No transportation.*

Faye Dean Banks Brown - September 21, 2024 at 09:19 PM

AG

“ Happy Heavenly Birthday Daddy! so many regrets the main one is that I didn't look for you sooner and didn't find you before it was to late my last memory was when you and uncle Bayco came to Danville so you could visit us you gave me piggy back rides and you and mommy was hugging and crying so much then you got in your green car and left then you backed up and jumped out of the car and you and she just kept holding on to each other and crying but she never told me why or did she like to talk about you she just said your daddy had his own issues and didn't want it to hurt us Now so much of my life will be missing I'm all grown up but I still like I that little girl getting a piggy back ride my heart is heavy but I ve always love you and thought of you. RIP Daddy Love AMORE' Banks Gills Momma(Beverly) sends you love and also says RIP

AMORE' Banks Gill - September 06, 2024 at 12:13 PM

PB

“ Happy heavenly birthday Dad! live through me an my brother love an miss you so much ...



Passion daughter of Willie Banks - September 06, 2021 at 03:36 PM

KC

“ Rest in peace



Kathy Cleveland - January 30, 2021 at 09:25 PM

MO

“ Madeleine Oneal sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Madeleine Oneal - December 28, 2020 at 09:20 AM

DF

“ Debra M Fenn lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Debra M Fenn - December 27, 2020 at 03:31 AM

MO

“ *Madeleine Oneal sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**Madeleine Oneal** - December 17, 2020 at 06:35 PM

TE

“ *Tricia Cheryl Ericka sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**Tricia Cheryl Ericka** - December 13, 2020 at 09:32 AM

TB

“ *Tokey Burks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**Tokey Burks** - December 07, 2020 at 04:19 PM

GP

“ *My Deepest Condolences to the family* 💜 🙏  
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**Gwendolyn Perry** - December 06, 2020 at 02:29 PM

LW

“ *Lori Wright lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



Lori wright - December 04, 2020 at 12:39 PM

MS

“ *Mrs. B. Scott lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



Mrs. B. Scott - December 03, 2020 at 07:23 PM

DM

“ *Doloris Mixon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



Doloris Mixon - December 03, 2020 at 07:09 PM

DM

“ *Doloris Mixon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



Doloris Mixon - December 03, 2020 at 07:04 PM

DM

“ *Derrell Martin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



Derrell Martin - December 03, 2020 at 06:25 PM

JW

“ *Jimmie Westbrook lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



Jimmie Westbrook - December 03, 2020 at 04:31 PM

CJ

“ *C. Jarrett-Mason lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



C. Jarrett-Mason - December 03, 2020 at 02:55 PM

GC

“ *Gail Calhoun Crittendon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



Gail Calhoun Crittendon - December 03, 2020 at 10:40 AM

CM

“ *Charlotte McMillan-Harper lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



Charlotte McMillan-Harper - December 03, 2020 at 10:06 AM

RC

“ *Robert Curry lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



Robert Curry - December 02, 2020 at 06:38 PM

AW

“ *August Williams*



August Williams - December 02, 2020 at 04:08 PM

DH

“ *Much love and prayers for the family of Mr. Earl Banks of Saginaw, Mi. I remember they so well due to friendship with his sister (Dorothy Terrell). Please hold on to the Lord's unchanging hands, and he'll keep you moving forward. We must all live the best lives possible; and go forth with faithful hearts, and trust in God.*

Delorise Hammond - December 02, 2020 at 01:27 PM

MH

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<https://s3.amazonaws.com/storage.lifetributes.com/Candles/new/candle5.png>

Milton Hollins - December 02, 2020 at 01:11 PM

SH

“ Shirley Hughes sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Shirley Hughes - December 02, 2020 at 12:07 PM

RB

“ Rochelle Brewer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



rochelle brewer - December 02, 2020 at 09:42 AM

MW

“ Maurice And Marie Washington lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Maurice and Marie Washington - December 02, 2020 at 08:42 AM

BW

“ *Bernice Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**Bernice Williams** - December 02, 2020 at 07:35 AM

VS

“ *Vermell Sangster lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**Vermell Sangster** - December 01, 2020 at 09:30 PM

BC

“ *You will be missed cousin Earl, but your precious memories will live on. Love you, your Cousin Beverly (Peaches) Cook.*



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**Beverly (Peaches) Cook** - December 01, 2020 at 09:24 PM

DC

“ *Deborah Champion lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**Deborah Champion** - December 01, 2020 at 04:05 PM

AT

“ *Uncle Willie, you were such a sweetheart. You are not reunited with your siblings in heaven. I pray that God covers you with his righteous right hand and give you perfect peace. We will miss you and God bless you on your journey home.*



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**Ashley Terrell** - December 01, 2020 at 09:27 AM

DM

“ *I knew you a life time. David McMillon*



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**David McMillon** - December 01, 2020 at 08:28 AM

DD

“ *Dolores Davenport lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**Dolores Davenport** - December 01, 2020 at 03:54 AM

DO

“ *Dolores lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**Dolores** - November 30, 2020 at 09:52 PM

LK

“ *Larry Kemp sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



**Larry Kemp** - November 30, 2020 at 09:46 PM

CJ

“ *Cynthia Johnson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



**Cynthia Johnson** - November 30, 2020 at 09:31 PM

CJ

“ *Prayers and condolences to the Banks family, may our Lord and savior Jesus Christ give you the comfort you need during this most difficult time. Knowing he will always be in your hearts with the memories and laughter he leave behind.*

**Cynthia Johnson** - November 30, 2020 at 09:29 PM

JG

“ *Joann Gordon sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



**Joann Gordon** - November 30, 2020 at 08:52 PM

EE

“ Eugene Evans lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Eugene Evans - November 30, 2020 at 08:33 PM

LC

“ Larry Conway sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Larry Conway - November 30, 2020 at 08:19 PM

SC

“ Sandra Coleman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Sandra Coleman - November 30, 2020 at 08:04 PM

MS

“ Sendin condolences to the Banks family, you will truly be missed my long time friend continue to rest



Marilyn Simmons - November 30, 2020 at 06:28 PM

DO

“ *Dolores lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**Dolores** - November 30, 2020 at 06:27 PM

MS

“ *Mrs. B. Scott lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**Mrs. B. Scott** - November 30, 2020 at 06:16 PM

BB

“ *Belinda Barlow-Poole lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**Belinda Barlow-Poole** - November 30, 2020 at 05:12 PM

AW

*Sending prays out to the family. Trust in the Lord he WILL carry you through*

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**Alicia Wadley** - December 01, 2020 at 06:53 PM

TC

“ Tommy Chester lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Tommy Chester - November 30, 2020 at 04:48 PM

JC

“ Jerry Chapman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Jerry Chapman - November 30, 2020 at 04:32 PM

CS

“ Cathie Stephens lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Cathie Stephens - November 30, 2020 at 02:46 PM

BE

“ BettyPruitt-Daily lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



BettyPruitt-Daily - November 30, 2020 at 02:21 PM

BG

“ *BOBBIE GAINES lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**BOBBIE GAINES** - November 30, 2020 at 02:07 PM

DW

“ *Uncle Willie Earl never thought I would loose you also this soon. My heart is heavy and don't know which way to turn. But your famous words was God got me Wonnie and I know that he does and he will also have the rest of the family. Didn't know the last time I would see was on Monday 11/23 2:30 am in the morning and I'm glad that I got up and came to bring you something to eat. Now you will join your parents, sister, brother and brother-in-law. Rest easy my Uncle I sure am going to miss you soooooo much. Love your niece.*



*Dwana Banks*

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**Dwana** - November 30, 2020 at 10:37 AM

YV

“ *On behalf of the Smith Family we extend our heartfelt sympathy and continuous prayers of comfort and strength unto you all. Banks have been around our family for a long time being a true friend to our brother Froggy. We're forever grateful for time we all shared. To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. Much Love Froggy & Yvette.*



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**YvetteSmith** - November 29, 2020 at 09:43 PM

JB

“ Joyce Barlow lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Joyce Barlow - November 29, 2020 at 08:05 PM

WJ

“ WayneCat Jernigan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



WayneCat Jernigan - November 29, 2020 at 02:27 PM

CJ

“ Chris &Wayne Jernigan sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Chris &Wayne Jernigan - November 29, 2020 at 02:26 PM

TW

“ Theotis & Teresa Wilcoxon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Theotis & Teresa Wilcoxon - November 29, 2020 at 01:21 PM

CM

“ Cheryl Denise Moore lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Cheryl Denise Moore - November 29, 2020 at 11:42 AM

LP

“ Larry Polk sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Larry Polk - November 29, 2020 at 10:59 AM

AK

“ AL KELLY lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



AL KELLY - November 29, 2020 at 09:06 AM

DL

“ Dollie And Mary Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Dollie and Mary Lawrence - November 29, 2020 at 06:26 AM

YC

“ Yvonne Corley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Yvonne Corley - November 29, 2020 at 12:43 AM

BC

“ Barbara Carson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Barbara Carson - November 28, 2020 at 10:30 PM



“ Cynthia Reed-Tillman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Cynthia Reed-Tillman - November 28, 2020 at 07:09 PM

DF

“ Our deepest condolences to Willie E Banks family, A very good man, will never forget the last time we saw you Mr. Banks at the Casino. God Rest his soul. RIH Mr. Banks



Doris E. Burns and Family - November 28, 2020 at 04:06 PM

AF

“ A thought of comfort and condolences to the family.  
"Come to me, all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28  
Rest well Banks our memories of you will never fade.

With heartfelt sympathy,  
Ann Ford and LaJoyce Jones



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**Ann Ford** - November 28, 2020 at 12:46 PM

PT

“ Phyllis Thorne lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



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**Phyllis Thorne** - November 28, 2020 at 07:17 AM

CA

“ Carolynriley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



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**carolynriley** - November 28, 2020 at 04:41 AM

MS

“ *Marilyn C. Sawyer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



Marilyn C. Sawyer - November 28, 2020 at 12:55 AM

SC

“ *Sona Carruth sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



sona Carruth - November 28, 2020 at 12:02 AM

CG

“ *Cheryl Garnett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



Cheryl Garnett - November 27, 2020 at 09:57 PM

MJ

“ *Mr & Mrs Audrain King Jr. lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



Mr & Mrs Audrain King Jr. - November 27, 2020 at 08:15 PM

WB

“ *Walsezetta Bennett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**Walsezetta Bennett** - November 27, 2020 at 07:49 PM

NA

“ *Omg I can't believe it my condolences*



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**natasha** - November 27, 2020 at 06:33 PM

JO

“ *JoyReeves sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**JoyReeves** - November 27, 2020 at 06:33 PM

CR

“ *CARL RUTH lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**CARL RUTH** - November 27, 2020 at 04:09 PM

MT

“ Margo Tyus lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Margo Tyus - November 27, 2020 at 02:58 PM



“ Joanie Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Joanie Williams - November 27, 2020 at 02:34 PM

DW

“ Denise Wilburn lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Denise Wilburn - November 27, 2020 at 02:10 PM

CW

“ Cathy Wilson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Cathy Wilson - November 27, 2020 at 02:10 PM

DW

“ To the Banks family I so sorry to hear about Willie Earl passing.hebwas my friend we work together for many years .I would bring him home .from Danville I'll.he was such a funny loving person.iam so sad 😞 that he is gone .may he rest in peace .until we meet.



Denise Wilburn - November 27, 2020 at 02:08 PM

CS

“ Cathie Stephens lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Cathie Stephens - November 27, 2020 at 07:50 AM

ML

“ Mary Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Mary Lawrence - November 26, 2020 at 06:05 PM

JG

“ Joyce Gills lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Joyce Gills - November 26, 2020 at 01:23 PM

SG

“ Shawn Gills lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Shawn Gills - November 26, 2020 at 12:53 PM

CW

“ Carolyn Washington lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Carolyn Washington - November 26, 2020 at 11:47 AM

BE

“ BettyPruitt-Daily lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



BettyPruitt-Daily - November 26, 2020 at 12:24 AM

JH

“ Judy Holloway-Mayes lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks



Judy Holloway-Mayes - November 25, 2020 at 04:30 PM

LV

“ *Linda (McClain) Veasley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**Linda (McClain) Veasley** - November 25, 2020 at 01:02 PM

JB

“ *JAMES E BROWN lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**JAMES E BROWN** - November 25, 2020 at 12:30 PM

LB

“Wowwwww Unk it had been on my brain to call you and I get this news yesterday. However my Uncle was cooler than a fan!! Always had a good sense of humor, always a nice person. He always was dressed nice and had a great sense of fashion. I will cherish our talks forever and still have your voicemails on my phone. This has not been a easy year for the Banks Family. I want to personally thank you for taking care of my Dad when he needed you. I am forever grateful. Also anytime somebody passed away you always there to pay your respects. Loyalty! Although this hurts I find comfort knowing you have reunited wit Lionel, Dot Jean and My Dad. You are also now reunited with your parents. You are now at peace and peace of mind. Rest Well. The Body returns to earth and the Spirit shall live on forever. All the olds heads in this Family leaving us. However us new skool family members will continue y'all legacy, you have all taught us well. I am proud and honored to carry the Banks name and legacy I originate from some Greats 🥰💪💪💪. Love u Forever Unk. Tell my Dad I said hi and tell Dot Jean and Lionel as well as my Grandparents I love them as well. The Bank\$ legacy continues. As you told me in our last conversation, “Family Forever.” Salute to you Ancestor!! ❤️❤️❤️❤️ Your niece Toya!



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**LaToya Banks aka Leslie LaToya Banks** - November 25, 2020 at 10:11 AM

AT

“ *Annette Turner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**Annette Turner** - November 25, 2020 at 09:15 AM

BJ

“ *Barbara Land Jones lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**Barbara Land Jones** - November 24, 2020 at 07:46 PM

BJ

“ *My sincere condolences to the entire Banks family. Willie will truly be missed. Rest well my friend.*

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**Barbara Land Jones** - November 24, 2020 at 07:45 PM

RT

“ *Willie Earl, we are going yo miss you. This year has been really hard on the family (Banks & Terrell's). It broke our hearts to hear of your passing today. You're now home in the Lord's loving arms with our family. Give Lionell, Dot Jean and Eugene Terrell a hug for us. Tell Leslie we miss him as well. We love you all dearly. Your family.*



*Russell, Paula & Ashley Terrell*

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**RUSSELL TERRELL** - November 24, 2020 at 07:33 PM

KS

“ *Kimberly Bond - Sims And Sons lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Earl Banks*



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**Kimberly Bond - Sims And Sons** - November 24, 2020 at 06:30 PM