



## Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris

March 18, 1934 - July 20, 2025

Willie Ruth (Bowens) Morris was the daughter of Meriam Louise Hagler and Willie Lee Bowens, born on March 18, 1934 in Gilmer, Texas. She passed away on July 20, 2025 at the age of 91 years.

Willie and her family relocated from Texas when she was a teenager and resided in Saginaw thereafter. She was a Saginaw High School graduate and then attended the Saginaw Beauty Academy and Cosmetology School. She earned licenses and certifications as both a Cosmetologist Technician and Beautician. Shortly after completing the Beauty Academy, she gained employment working for several well-known beauty salons. She enjoyed working as a Cub Scout and Boy Scout Leader. She received clerical certifications including Book Keeper and Clerk Typist. Willie was employed at Federals Department Store as a Retail Clerk, later advancing as a Retail Merchandiser. She retired as a Production Line Inspector with General Motors/Delphi Automotive Systems and a member of UAW Local #467.

She was a member of New Life Baptist Ministries. Willie possessed a plethora of good qualities: intelligent, compassionate, loving, strong willed, nurturing and down-to-earth. She was family oriented, family-focused, loyal and always in control. Her genuine human characteristics sprinkled with feistiness and stubbornness defined her. Willie was a blessed force to be reckoned with.

She took pleasure in numerous hobbies: taking cruises, bingo, softball, bowling, fishing, knitting, doing hair and game night. She loved cooking, baking and barbecuing. Willie had an immense love for family. She would say, "All we have is God and family", "Family time is all the time." Most mornings, her first words would be "God is good." Her happy all day saying was, "Hey-Hey-Hey." As a term of endearment, family called her "Babe."

She leaves to cherish many precious memories her children, Linda King, Boston, MA, Lou Ann Fresorger, Saginaw, Mary Thompson, Miami, FL, James Morris, Ozark, AL, Noland King, Saginaw, Elva Hampton, St. Louis, MO, Stephen Morris, Saginaw and Charles Morris, Denver, CO; eight grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; god-children, Lester Roberson, Saginaw, Carol J. Green, Houston, TX, Donna Hughes, Saginaw, April Bliss, Flint, MI and Ira Ayers, Detroit, MI; two sisters, Lillian George and Pamela Currington both of Saginaw; two brothers, Patrick (Azalee) Williams and Daryl Currington both of Saginaw; a host of nieces and nephews; special friends, Vera Hill, Betty Jean Collins and Isabelle Rodriques.

Ms. Willie Ruth Morris was preceded in death by her parents, Meriam Louise Hagler and Willie Lee Bowens; bonus dad, Loyd Williams; two brothers, Julian Williams and Carl Currington; one sister, Mary Hagler.

Funeral service will take place at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 29, 2025 at New Life Baptist Ministries, 1401 Janes Avenue, Saginaw, Michigan 48601. Dr. Craig A. Tatum will officiate. Visitation will take place at 9:00 a.m. until the time of service.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 29. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

New Life Baptist Church Ministries  
1401 Janes Street  
Saginaw, MI 48601

## Funeral Service

JUL 29. 11:00 AM (ET)

New Life Baptist Church Ministries  
1401 Janes Street  
Saginaw, MI 48601

# Tribute Wall

DM

“ Sorry for your loss. May God continue to strengthen u all in this time of need

Doris Regen Morris - November 18, 2025 at 12:27 PM

RJ

“ Rev Robert D Jones sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris



Rev Robert d Jones - August 29, 2025 at 03:39 PM

DJ

“ Darlene Jones lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris



Darlene Jones - August 14, 2025 at 09:55 AM

CS

“ Cathie Stephen lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris



Cathie Stephen - August 07, 2025 at 11:28 AM

KS

“ *Kathy Shaw lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



Kathy Shaw - August 05, 2025 at 08:53 PM

CC

“ *My sincere heartfelt condolences and prayers to the family.*



Cheryl Cooper - July 30, 2025 at 06:51 AM

BR

“ *Brenda Ryan lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



Brenda Ryan - July 29, 2025 at 06:41 PM

LJ

“ *Prayers for the family*



Leon Jackson - July 29, 2025 at 02:02 PM

LD

“ *Lenora Durham lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



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**Lenora Durham** - July 29, 2025 at 01:14 PM

RW

“ *Rodney Walker lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



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**Rodney Walker** - July 29, 2025 at 12:36 PM

TM

“ *The Alabama Reunion Club Members send our Deepest Condolences to Mr. Noland King and Family.*



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**The Alabama Reunion Club Members** - July 29, 2025 at 12:01 PM

DT

“ *Diane Turner lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



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**Diane Turner** - July 29, 2025 at 10:59 AM

CH

“ Clifford Harris lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris



Clifford Harris - July 29, 2025 at 10:41 AM

LF

“ Laura Jackson & Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris



Laura Jackson & Family - July 29, 2025 at 08:15 AM

LW

“ Louis Weems sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris



Louis Weems - July 29, 2025 at 07:54 AM



“ Sending my prayers and condolences to the family



Barbara Hickman - July 29, 2025 at 12:50 AM

MC

“ We love you Great Grandma Babe. Your legacy and love lives on.  
❤️☐✝️ Rest in Heaven. Melissa & Your greats.



Melissa Collins - July 28, 2025 at 11:03 PM



“ Prayers for my Moms (Flora Smith) adopted family. Billie Ruth (affectionately known as ) and my Mother became best friends over 60 years ago. As well as Granny adopting us as her own. I love you all and am praying for you.  
May God comfort you all, knit you closer together and give you sweet peace. In Jesus name Amen ❤️

Phyllis Thorne - July 28, 2025 at 10:09 PM

BT

“ Bobbie Turner lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris



Bobbie Turner - July 28, 2025 at 10:05 PM

CG

“ Carroll J Green lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris



Carroll J Green - July 28, 2025 at 09:17 PM

SH

“ *My sincere condolences. Love Sherry Draine Hannah*



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**Sherry Hannah** - July 28, 2025 at 05:34 PM

LB

“ *Lynnette Bond lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



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**Lynnette Bond** - July 28, 2025 at 04:57 PM

TF

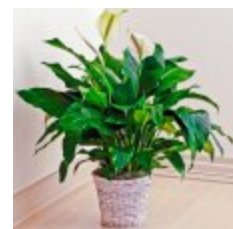
“ *Traci Stephens & Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



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**Traci Stephens & Family** - July 28, 2025 at 01:57 PM

GS

“ *Golden Heart Home Services purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris.*



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**Golden Heart Home Services** - July 28, 2025 at 01:08 PM



“ *Simply Lily was purchased for the family of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris.*



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July 28, 2025 at 11:41 AM



“ *You were a beautiful caring person I have fond memories of you always felt the goodness from you I was always happy to see you prayers for your family RIP beautiful Queen 👑🙏*



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**Lucinda Currington** - July 28, 2025 at 10:14 AM



*My condolences to Patrick and Azalee Williams and the entire family. Keeping you in prayers. Keeping your family in prayers RIH*

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**Pat Brummell** - July 28, 2025 at 01:12 PM



*love you all shirley flowers and family*

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**shirley flowes and family** - July 28, 2025 at 08:42 PM

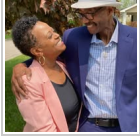


“ *KEVIN JORDAN lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



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**KEVIN JORDAN** - July 28, 2025 at 08:21 AM



“ *Ray Smith lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



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**Ray Smith** - July 28, 2025 at 12:06 AM

DB

“ *Lou Ann and the entire Bowens/Morris family, sending my heartfelt condolences to you all, as you mourn the passing of your beloved MOM!!!*



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**DIANE BLACKMON** - July 27, 2025 at 07:21 PM

MM

“ *Mrs Dale Mitchner sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



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**mrs Dale Mitchner** - July 27, 2025 at 07:16 PM

PW

“ *Pat Wilson-Hill lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



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**Pat Wilson-Hill** - July 27, 2025 at 03:27 PM

DW

“ *My Condolences To The Families Of Babe We've Lost A True Friend Of Ours For Many Years. May God Continue To Bless You All. Amen*

Doretta Williams - July 27, 2025 at 02:00 PM

CC

“ *CRISTINA COON lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



CRISTINA COON - July 27, 2025 at 01:07 PM

LM

“ *Larry Martin lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



Larry Martin - July 27, 2025 at 10:53 AM

TF

“ *The Livingston Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



The Livingston Family - July 27, 2025 at 07:03 AM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris.*



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July 26, 2025 at 08:06 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris.

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July 26, 2025 at 08:06 PM



“ *Remembering my bonus family, the fun, laughter we had on Johnson st, We had so much fun, Prayers to all of u, Billy lived a good life and had a family that loved her dearly. RIP u earned it. Much luv.*

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**Nancy Williams** - July 26, 2025 at 02:47 PM



“ *Dr. Willie Earl & Carrie Thomas, Sr. lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



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**Dr. Willie Earl & Carrie Thomas, Sr.** - July 26, 2025 at 02:36 PM

LC

“ *Larry & Gwen Conway*



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**Larry Conway** - July 26, 2025 at 10:27 AM

YC

*Prayers for the family Isabella and Bonnie send our love*

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**yvonne cayton** - July 26, 2025 at 05:58 PM

CS

“ *Carletta Salaam lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



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**Carletta Salaam** - July 26, 2025 at 10:04 AM

SH

“ *Praying for your family, sending my sincere condolences during this difficult time.*



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**Stephanie Hall** - July 26, 2025 at 08:13 AM

WF

“ Wanda Faye Reynolds And The Reynolds Fam lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris



Wanda Faye Reynolds and the Reynolds fam - July 26, 2025 at 08:02 AM

TR

“ Terry&Emma Richard lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris



Terry&Emma Richard - July 26, 2025 at 06:46 AM

ER

“ Evelyn Roby lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris



Evelyn Roby - July 26, 2025 at 06:39 AM

AF

“ Annie Ruth Speight Fuller lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris



Annie Ruth Speight Fuller - July 26, 2025 at 12:43 AM

GM

“ *Gwen And Jackie Mccombs lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



**Gwen and Jackie Mccombs** - July 25, 2025 at 09:43 PM

CH

“ *Charles & Mary Helton lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



**Charles & Mary Helton** - July 25, 2025 at 08:47 PM

JO

“ *JoyReeves lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



**JoyReeves** - July 25, 2025 at 06:30 PM

LA

“ *Leopold & Janel Arnett lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



**Leopold & Janel Arnett** - July 25, 2025 at 02:55 PM

LJ

“ Prayers to my adopted family. May God give comfort. Be blessed.  
Love Cecil & Linda B Jackson

Linda B Jackson - July 25, 2025 at 01:34 PM

CW

“ Calvin And Delores Williams lit a candle in  
memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris



Calvin and Delores Williams - July 25, 2025 at 12:56 PM

BK

“ Barbara Kemp-Lauria lit a candle in memory  
of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris



Barbara Kemp-Lauria - July 25, 2025 at 11:49 AM

WH

“ Willie & Elaine Houston lit a candle in memory  
of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris



Willie & Elaine Houston - July 25, 2025 at 10:52 AM

KS

“ *Kathy Shaw lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



Kathy Shaw - July 25, 2025 at 06:18 AM

MH

“ *Mary Hill lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



Mary Hill - July 25, 2025 at 06:01 AM

JM

“ *Sending my sincere condolences to the Morris and Williams Family. Going to miss you, your sweet and loving spirit. Rest in peace 🙏.*



Joy L McWright - July 25, 2025 at 02:15 AM

WH

“ *Walter/Dorothy Harris lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



Walter/Dorothy Harris - July 24, 2025 at 06:08 PM

DS

“ My deepest condolences to the family 🙏🙏  
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Deidrea Sanders - July 24, 2025 at 10:28 AM

DB

“ Dian BOOSE, I just heard about her home going, I met her long years ago and she treated me like a daughter . My heart goes out to the family, very shaken in my spirit. God has the first and the last say. I just.. in time, he will wipe our tears away. Much in prayer for the family. Much love. Amen.

Dian Boose - July 23, 2025 at 07:43 PM

RA

“ Renee Alexander lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris



Renee Alexander - July 23, 2025 at 12:15 PM

RW

“ Rita Y Williams lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris



Rita y Williams - July 23, 2025 at 08:07 AM

MH

“ *Mary Harvey lit a candle in memory of Ms. Willie Ruth "Babe" Morris*



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**Mary Harvey** - July 22, 2025 at 12:29 PM

DM

“ *Sending our Condolences, Prayers and Love and Love. We love y'all- The Tillman Family*



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**Delphine Martin** - July 21, 2025 at 06:25 PM

DM

“ *Sending our Condolences, Prayers and Love. We love ya- The Tillman Family*



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**Delphine Martin** - July 21, 2025 at 05:13 PM

CW

“ *My prayers are with your family. May God bless y'all & hold on to God he'll pull you thru. Love y'all*



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**Cookey Williams** - July 21, 2025 at 02:01 PM



“ *Cookey Williams*



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**Cookey Williams** - July 21, 2025 at 01:57 PM