



## Ms. Bessie L. Collins

July 20, 1934 - March 24, 2022

### Obituary

Sister Bessie Lee Collins was born July 20, 1934 to the late Georgia Gipson and Bill Collins in Ringgold, Louisiana. She was one of nine (9) children.

Bessie attended school in Ringgold, Louisiana. She joined Springhill CME Church, Ringgold, Louisiana at an early age and served faithfully until she moved to Larned, Kansas and then to Kansas City, Missouri where her two brothers and one sister, Herman Bush, Wiley Garner, and Queen Scott were already living. Although Bessie was living in Kansas City, she maintained ties to her hometown through involvement with the Louisiana Club along with her sister and brothers. Bessie touched and enriched the lives of so many people when she moved to Kansas City. Everyone grew to love her and become a part of her extended family by babysitting several generations of children in her family and church community.

As soon as she moved to Kansas City, she became an active member of Sunlight Missionary Baptist Church. Although she was involved in several activities and committees in the church, most of time was spent as a devoted member of the choir and regularly attended Sunday School. Bessie brought joy to every heart she touched with her smile, her genuine care for others, and the love she gave to each and every single person she encountered.

On March 24, 2022, God sent His angels and Bessie transitioned to be with the Lord.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Georgia B. Gipson, son, Kenneth Ray Collins, two (2) sisters, Mary Collins and Queen B. Scott, five (5) brothers, Early Collins, Joseph Collins, Herman Bush, Wiley P. Garner, and Furley Collins.

Bessie leaves to cherish her loving and dedicated memories to five (5) children: Annette Collins (Alfred) of Shreveport, Louisiana, Allen Ray Collins (Minnie), Eddie Collins, Louise Davis, and Juanita Garth (Parnell) all of Kansas City, Missouri; Eight (8) grandchildren: Donald, Marcus, Starla, Aisha, Ernest, Allen, Donnita, Pershay; ten (10) great-grand children; one (1) sister, Annie Pearl Garner of Shreveport, Louisiana; two (3) sisters-in-law Mattie Mae Collins of Shreveport, LA and Stella Bush of Ringgold, LA; Patsy Ann Donald of Pleasant Hill, MO one (1) brother-in-law Leon B. Scott; one God daughter Whitney Dantlzer a special friend Deacon Johnson, and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, April 9, 2022, 11:00am at Sunlight Missionary Baptist Church. Visitation will be from 9am - 10:30 am at the church. Interment: Brooking Cemetery. Service conducted by Lawrence A. Jones & Funeral Chapel. Condolences may be shared on our website.

To send flowers  
to the family or plant a tree  
in memory of Ms. Bessie L. Collins, please visit our floral store.

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“ A Memorial Tree was planted for Ms. Bessie L. Collins  
We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ the staff at Lawrence A. Jones  
& Sons Funeral Chapels-Missouri - Lawrence A. Jones & Sons  
Funeral Chapels  
Join in honoring their life - plant a memorial tree

A Memorial Tree was planted for Ms. Bessie L. Collins - May 25, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ms. Bessie L.  
Collins. Send FlowersWith Deepest Sympathy,Innovative Office  
Systems Family

May 25, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ Beautiful in blue was purchased for the family of Ms. Bessie L.  
Collins. Send FlowersCADDO COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY,  
INC. , 4055 ST. VINCENT AVENUE, SHREVEPORT, LA 71108

May 25, 2023 at 12:04 PM

BP

“ Dish garden with fresh flowers was purchased for the family of Ms.  
Bessie L. Collins by Billy Parker. Send FlowersCollins Family  
Jehovah Holy Spirit will help you get through this Parker FamilyBilly  
Parker

Billy Parker - May 25, 2023 at 12:04 PM

GC

“ Beautiful in blue was purchased for the family of Ms. Bessie L. Collins by Gretchen, Shica, NaTashia, Danielle, & Crystal. Send FlowersWe are deeply saddened by the passing of Ms. Bessie. Please know that we care & will continue to pray for the entire Collins family. May God be with you all. With love & our sincerest sympathy.Gretchen, Shica, NaTashia, Danielle, & Crystal

Gretchen, Shica, NaTashia, Danielle, & Crystal - May 25, 2023 at 12:04 PM

UL

“ Monet's garden table basket was purchased for the family of Ms. Bessie L. Collins by U-Haul of Northern Louisiana. Send FlowersOur thoughts and prayers are with your family!U-Haul of Northern Louisiana

U-Haul of Northern Louisiana - May 25, 2023 at 12:04 PM

TN

“ Beautiful in blue was purchased for the family of Ms. Bessie L. Collins by The Naylor's. Send Flowers

The Naylor's - May 25, 2023 at 12:04 PM

CW

“ Tropical dish garden with fresh flowers was purchased for the family of Ms. Bessie L. Collins by Cassandra Wilson . Send FlowersKeeping you in my prayers I love you and I'll always be there for you anytime you need me Louise Davis and family I love you and my God-bless you from Cassandra Wilson and familyCassandra Wilson

Cassandra Wilson - May 25, 2023 at 12:04 PM

MT

“ *Sending Prayers and Hugs. Bessie was one in a million. Love You Guy. Elaine.*

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**Margie Elaine Theus** - April 06, 2022 at 07:13 PM

TM

“ *Our Sincere Condolences and Prayers to the Family, We don't know Ms. Bessie personally we live on the next block on 49th College (The Millers), Praying for your Strength and Comfort*

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**Tonya Miller** - April 04, 2022 at 10:45 AM