



Mrs. Bessie M. Robinson

March 28, 1943 - September 19, 2024

Mother Bessie Marie Calvert Robinson was born March 28, 1943, to the late Louis Calvert and Lucille Vickers Shaffer Franks. She was preceded in death by parents, daughter, Chequita Robinson Snipes; grandson, Xavier Snipes; one sister, Mattie Sue Pierce; three brothers, Sammy Franks; Willie Randle; and Willie B. Franks.

Bessie received her education in West Point, Mississippi. She spent a year of high school at Central High School in Kansas City, Missouri while assisting her dear cousin, Georgia Powell before returning home to finish high school at Fifth Street Junior/Senior High School in West Point, Mississippi.

Bessie would later move back to Kansas City, Missouri where she met and married the love of her life, Johnny Robinson and remained married for 42 years until his demise. She was a devoted wife and mother to their one daughter. Bessie earned her Associate Arts degree from Donnelly College, her bachelor's in arts and sciences from University of St. Mary, and a master's in religion at Central Baptist Theological Seminary.

She was employed with the Internal Revenue Service for 30 years as Taxpayer Relationship Manager. While employed at the IRS, she also served as a training course instructor at the Presidential Classroom at Georgetown University and at University of Puerto Rico.

Bessie accepted the Lord as her personal savior at Chandler Grove MBC as a young child and was later baptized at the Lake Grove MBC in Prairie, Mississippi. Upon moving to Kansas City and marriage with her husband, she united with Mason Temple Church of God in Christ under the late Bishop William H. McDonald. Over time, she joined Tabernacle MBC under the late Pastor Eli Wheeler, now Pastor George Dubose in Kansas City, KS and remained a member until her passing. While at Tabernacle, she has served on the Mother's Board and served in many auxiliaries including the Mission Ministry, teaching Sunday School, and serving on the Pastor's Appreciation Committee.

Bessie also established the Teenage Mentoring Program after launching a citywide revival to help restore the streets of Kansas City and win young lives to Christ. Through the Mentoring Program, she conducted weekly empowerment and mentorship workshops with teenagers at Eisenhower Middle School. She also hosted weekly radio programming on gospel radio KPRT to further spread teenage mentorship concepts and bible scriptures with the local community. She also coached a middle school boys' basketball team and served as a Foster Grandparent with the Kansas City Kansas Public Schools. She will be greatly missed by her family and local community. Bessie was certainly a trailblazer in launching innovative programming to encourage teenagers to stay in school and to give their lives to Christ. In her spare time, she enjoyed arts and crafts, enjoyed painting and was a sought-after seamstress and hair stylist.

She leaves to cherish her loving memory, her two grandsons, Dwayne Snipes, Brooklyn, NY; Jonathan Snipes, Atlanta, GA; four sisters, Nodenia Love, Hartford, CT; Georgia Raleigh; Shirley Blair; and Elizabeth Frank all of West Point, MS; and Ples Franks Robinson, Fort Worth, TX; and a host of nephews, nieces, great nephews, great nieces, cousins, other relatives, and the

Tabernacle Baptist Church family.

Visitation Only will be held on Saturday, September 28, 2024, at Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church 1220 Walker Avenue KCKS 66104, from 12:00 P.M. (noon) to 2:00 P.M... Interment: Lake Grove Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery, Prairie, Mississippi. Arrangements entrusted to Lawrence A. Jones & Sons Funeral Chapels. Condolence may be shared on our website lawrenceajones.com. Funeral service held at Lake Grove MBC Prairie, Mississippi, Saturday October, 5, 2024 at 11:00 AM

Previous Events

Visitation Only

SEP **28**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church
1220 Walker Avenue
Kansas City, KS 66104

Tribute Wall

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“ Love, Elder Excell & Evangelist Robinson purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Bessie M. Robinson.



Love, Elder Excell & Evangelist Robinson - October 03, 2024
at 04:41 PM

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“ My condolences to Mrs. Robinson's family and friends. Bessie was a hard working and thoughtful person, who's only concern was that of her customers. I will miss our talks and giving her a hard time. She will be greatly missed.

TERRY CLINE - September 27, 2024 at 01:28 PM

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“ Sending my prayers and condolences to the family. Cherish every moment and memories you had with Sister Bessie. She don't have to suffer anymore on this earth. She is now in the bosom of the Lord. Weeping may endure for a night but Joy will come in the morning. Another angel gained her wings. May God continue to comfort you in this time.



Love
Glenda Jackson (Georgia friend/sis)

Glenda - September 26, 2024 at 01:49 PM

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“ *Praying for the Family!*

May God Bless and Keep You!!!



Brenda Bass - September 26, 2024 at 11:26 AM