



## Mother Bernice Palmer

September 4, 1933 - July 16, 2019

\*\*\*\*NOTE: Visitation, Funeral Service Times & Location Listed Below\*\*\*\*

Mother Bernice Palmer passed away peacefully on July 16, 2019. Bernice was born on September 4, 1933 in Senatobia, Mississippi the third daughter born to the late Johnny and Azzile Taylor.

Growing up in Mississippi Bernice worked hard in the fields as a sharecropper with her family. In 1959, Bernice relocated to Kalamazoo, Michigan. She was always a very hard worker and worked at various jobs throughout her life. She worked as a housekeeper, cook and a nurse's aide. In 1972, she was hired in at the Upjohn Pharmaceutical Company, where she was employed for 20 years until she retired.

Bernice served at Saint James COGIC in Kalamazoo and in 2002, she joined Progressive Deliverance Ministries COGIC under the leadership of Pastor Greg Jennings Sr., where she fulfilled her role as a Church Mother. Bernice loved God and she loved the Ministry. She was a faithful and dependable Church Mother. She would nurse and assist the pastor and also travel with the pastor. She supported the pastor in anyway possible and was a true willing worker.

Bernice was a great cook who would always show hospitality. One of her

close friends would always say, "Bernice is such a good cook. She could make dirt taste good!"

Bernice was also a devoted and loving grandmother. She cherished the time she spent with her grandchildren and helped to raise and take care of them.

She was preceded in death in death by her parents, Johnny and Azzile Taylor; her husband, Henry Palmer Jr.; a sister, Johnnie Bell Eason and her son, Roy Felix.

She leaves to cherish her memory four children: Thelma Taylor, Azzile Cookie Mitchell, Debra Lee all of Kalamazoo and Ray Felix (Jamie) of St. Lucie, Florida; one brother, Deacon Charles Green Jr. of Crenshaw, Mississippi; one sister, Lillie Mae Croff of Crenshaw Mississippi; twelve grandchildren; four great grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews, cousins and friends

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Ever-Rest Cemetery

3941 S. Westnedge Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **25.** 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel  
521 Douglas Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

## A Service in Loving Memory

JUL **26.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Progressive Deliverance Ministries COGIC  
1527 N. Edwards  
Kalamazoo, Mi

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mother Bernice Palmer*

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ *Mother Bernice Palmer*

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ *Merry Sue lit a candle in memory of Mother Bernice Palmer*



**Merry Sue** - August 06, 2019 at 07:03 AM



“ *Carolyn Smith lit a candle in memory of Mother Bernice Palmer*



**carolyn smith** - July 30, 2019 at 03:07 AM

TL

“ Teresa Lark lit a candle in memory of Mother Bernice Palmer



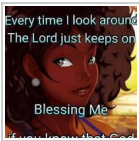
Teresa Lark - July 24, 2019 at 10:30 AM

DB

“ Donald & Ruby (Walker) Barbee sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Bernice Palmer



Donald & Ruby (Walker) Barbee - July 22, 2019 at 06:59 PM



“ The Tigues Family send their condolences



Karen Tiggs - July 21, 2019 at 11:35 PM

OL

“ Olivia Lee lit a candle in memory of Mother Bernice Palmer



Olivia Lee - July 21, 2019 at 07:42 PM

DF

“ *Dallas Boards And Family lit a candle in memory of Mother Bernice Palmer*



**Dallas Boards and family** - July 21, 2019 at 10:55 AM

BE

“ *Benjamin F. Eason Jr And Tammy Eason lit a candle in memory of Mother Bernice Palmer*



**Benjamin F. Eason Jr and Tammy Eason** - July 21, 2019 at 06:42 AM

CB

“ *Carrie Baker lit a candle in memory of Mother Bernice Palmer*



**Carrie Baker** - July 20, 2019 at 07:46 PM

CG

“ *Cordell & Brenda Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mother Bernice Palmer*



**Cordell & Brenda Gardner** - July 20, 2019 at 06:55 PM

MR

“ *Modean Reeves lit a candle in memory of Mother Bernice Palmer*



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**Modean Reeves** - July 18, 2019 at 10:04 PM

MW

“ *Minister Flora Walker sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Bernice Palmer*



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**Minister Flora Walker** - July 18, 2019 at 02:50 PM

PG

“ *Pauline Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mother Bernice Palmer*



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**Pauline Gardner** - July 17, 2019 at 05:29 PM

HB

“ *Helen Brooks lit a candle in memory of Mother Bernice Palmer*



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**Helen Brooks** - July 17, 2019 at 11:41 AM