



Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods

August 11, 1938 - November 25, 2017

*****PLEASE NOTE BELOW:

IN LIEU OF FLOWERS, donations can be made to the Galilee Baptist Church "Student Fund" in loving memory of the late Mother Ethel Woods to assist college students preparing to enter into the field of healthcare.

All donations can be sent directly to:

THE GALILEE BAPTIST CHURCH

1216 N. Westnedge Avenue

Kalamazoo, Michigan 49007

****Attention: Student Fund (Ethel Woods)

*****Donors may also contribute online at www.gbckazoo.org*****

OBITUARY

Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods was born August 11, 1938 in Marengo County, AL. She went home to be with the Lord November 25, 2017 peacefully at her residence in Kalamazoo, MI. She accepted Christ as her personal Savior at a very young age. Ethel relocated to Kalamazoo, MI in the 1960's. She was employed at Borgess Medical Center as a Patient Care Technician (PCT) for 32 year, receiving many achievements and awards during this time.

On November 5, 1960, Ethel was united in Holy Matrimony to Richard Herman Woods in Kalamazoo, MI.

Ethel was a faithful member of The Galilee Baptist Church, and served on the Nurses Guild, until her health failed. She loved to study the Word of God and would attend Galilee's bible study class. Ethel loved to spend time with her family during family gathering where she was known for her cooking. During these get-togethers, she would also try different recipes, but everyone looked forward to her homemade rolls and delicious desserts. She loved to work on creative projects with her hands, such as sewing, knitting and crocheting. She was also very skilled at word search puzzles, and she finished many puzzle books to prove it! Ethel had a strong gentle spirit about her and was full of wisdom, which she shared often with her family. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Richard Herman Woods; her parents, and her sister, Daisy Moore.

She leaves to cherish her memories: two sons, Michael of Kalamazoo and Ricky (Kherri) of Mobile, AL; three grandchildren, Carresha (Cameron), Jeremy and Darius; one great grandson, Jayshawn; one godson, Charles III; 4 sisters, Minnie Ozier of Flint, MI; Nettie Lockett and Lola Lockett of Dixon Mills, AL; Jackie Shaw of Kalamazoo, MI; two sister-in-laws, Adell Banks of Waukegan, IL and Lillie Daniel of Kalamazoo, MI; two brother-in-laws, Bert Woods of Kalamazoo, MI and Mitchell (Artelia) Woods of Waukegan, IL and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Ever-Rest Cemetery (North)

1717 Drake Road
Kalamazoo, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 8. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel
521 Douglas Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

Visitation

DEC 9. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

The Galilee Baptist Church
1216 North Westnedge Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI 49007

A Homegoing Celebration

DEC 9. 12:00 PM (ET)

The Galilee Baptist Church
1216 North Westnedge Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods



Harper Funeral Home - December 07, 2017 at 10:06 PM

CM

My first cousin who looked a lot like my mother, Eva Gray Boulter Toddy.RIP

Callie Todd McGee - December 08, 2017 at 07:02 AM



“ Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM

Tiffany Woods Pippin

“ *Sincerest and deepest condolences. Aunt Ethel was an amazing woman and cherished her family greatly. Find comfort in the fact she's no longer in pain and she has been reunited with Uncle Herman.*
Tiffany Woods Pippin



Tiffany Woods Pippin - December 09, 2017 at 09:14 AM

LA

“ *Larence And Sherry Anderson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods*



Larence and Sherry Anderson - December 08, 2017 at 11:25 AM

CD

“ *Our memories are full with the sweetness of Aunt Ethel's touch and soft soothing voice. Heaven has welcome the angel she was here on earth. We Love you.*
Calvin, Juanita, Mariah and Malika Daniel



Calvin& Juanita Daniel - December 08, 2017 at 10:03 AM

CM

“ *Callie Todd McGee lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods*



Callie Todd McGee - December 08, 2017 at 07:04 AM



“ 45 files added to the album Life Tributes



Harper Funeral Home - December 07, 2017 at 07:20 PM



“ Carrie Baker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods



Carrie Baker - December 05, 2017 at 04:00 PM



“ William & Laverne Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods



William & Laverne Jones - December 02, 2017 at 10:37 PM

DJ

“ Deacon William Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods



Deacon William Jones - December 02, 2017 at 10:15 PM

EF

“ Earline Fields lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods



Earline Fields - December 01, 2017 at 06:46 PM

PF

“ PATTERSON FAMILY lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods



PATTERSON FAMILY - December 01, 2017 at 09:42 AM

WF

“ Our condolences to you and your family.
Love,
Mattie Fields and family



Wendy Fields - November 30, 2017 at 09:05 PM

KW

“ *Kameko Weakley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods*



Kameko Weakley - November 30, 2017 at 07:40 PM

KD

“ *Kevin Dunigan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods*



Kevin Dunigan - November 30, 2017 at 12:32 PM

EG

“ *Edith Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods*



Edith Gardner - November 29, 2017 at 08:42 PM



“ *Cheri Pace lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods*



Cheri Pace - November 29, 2017 at 01:06 PM

JK

“ *Johnnie King lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods*



johnnie king - November 28, 2017 at 11:05 PM

AS

“ *Alma Snell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods*



Alma Snell - November 28, 2017 at 03:47 PM

AT

“ *Alice Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods*



Alice Taylor - November 27, 2017 at 06:23 PM

SE

“ *Sherry Coffey Ezell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods*



sherry coffey ezell - November 27, 2017 at 01:25 PM

SE

Many blessings and comfort to the family

sherry coffey ezell - November 27, 2017 at 01:25 PM

DF

“ *Dallas Boards And Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods*



Dallas Boards and family - November 27, 2017 at 09:31 AM

HB

“ *Hal & Janet Buchanan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods*



Hal & Janet Buchanan - November 26, 2017 at 09:19 PM

GS

“ *Gwendolyn Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Gray Woods*



Gwendolyn Smith - November 26, 2017 at 04:20 PM