



Mrs. Ida Ruth Newman

August 22, 1935 - November 11, 2016

Ida Ruth (Tate) Newman was born August 22, 1935, was welcomed into the bosom of the Lord on November 11, 2016, the same date in 1952 that she gave birth to her one and only child. She was born in Prairie Point, MS, the daughter of Sherrod and Emma Bell (Clark) White.

In 1952, she married the love of her life, L.B. Tate and to that union one child was born--Isabell (Tate) Martin. In the 70's, Ida worked as a machine operator at Shakespeare, until she remarried in 1980 to Richard C. Newman and moved to Chicago. Both husbands preceded her in death.

As a child in Mississippi, Ida accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as her personal Savior. After moving to Kalamazoo, she became a long time member of Galilee Baptist Church, where she served faithfully on the Usher Board. When she returned to Kalamazoo in 2003, she joined First United Baptist Church, there she served for a short time in the Mission Ministry. Ida's hobbies were simple she loved washing, cleaning and helping other people.

Along with her parents and husbands, Ida is preceded in death by her brothers: Wilford, Cleophus, Sherrod Jr., Willie, David, Amos Sr., and Rev. Nathaniel White Sr.; and one sister, Isabell Stevenson.

Left to cherish her memory is one daughter, Isabell (John) Martin of

Kalamazoo, MI; one brother, Robert (Minnie) White) of Kalamazoo, MI; three sisters, Quince (Willie) Tate of Prairie Point, MS, Mard Nabors and Augusta White both of Kalamazoo, MI. She also leaves to cherish her memory, a granddaughter, Kimberly Nicole Martin; a great grandson, Christopher Evan Martin both of Kalamazoo, MI; and several nieces, nephews, other family members and friends.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

1015 Gull Rd
Kalamazoo, MI 49048-1733
(269) 337-8227

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **20**. 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel
521 Douglas Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

Family Hour

NOV **21**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

First United Baptist Church
821 S. Burdick Street
Kalamazoo, MI

A Service in Loving Memory

NOV **21**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Ida Ruth Newman



Harper Funeral Home - November 19, 2016 at 08:45 PM



“ Mrs. Ida Ruth Newman

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ Mrs. Ida Ruth Newman

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ Leevaur And Ester Tate Duck lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ida Ruth Newman



Leevaur and Ester Tate Duck - November 23, 2016 at 09:39 AM

WT

“ *Willie And Quince Tate lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ida Ruth Newman*



Willie and Quince Tate - November 22, 2016 at 11:23 PM

EF

“ *Earline Fields And Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Ida Ruth Newman*



Earline Fields and Family - November 20, 2016 at 05:25 PM

DJ

“ *Deacon William & Laverne Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ida Ruth Newman*



Deacon William & Laverne Jones - November 20, 2016 at 04:54 PM



“ *LIKE A BEAUTIFUL DOVE YOU WERE IN LIFE.
MISSING YOU AUNTIE!
YOUR NIECE LIZZIE!*



Elizabeth Tucker - November 19, 2016 at 11:13 AM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Elizabeth Tucker - November 19, 2016 at 12:21 AM

WP

“ *Door Keeper in the House of the Lord; PSALM; 84;10,
For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a
doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of
wickedness. The smile was from the cheek and her attire was as
white as white can be.*

With Love Your Family: Willie Mae Pierson

Willie Mae Pierson - November 18, 2016 at 03:04 PM

LB

“ *Loretta Bates lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Ida Ruth Newman*



Loretta Bates - November 17, 2016 at 08:49 PM

LC

“ *Lillie Cotton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ida
Ruth Newman*



Lillie Cotton - November 17, 2016 at 12:18 PM

JR

“ *Janie Reed lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ida Ruth Newman*



Janie Reed - November 17, 2016 at 08:31 AM

JE

“ *Aunt Ida Ruth, you will surely be missed. My fondest memories of you are your immaculate style of dress and infectious smile, you always had on your face. Love your great niece, Jennifer Little*

Jennifer - November 16, 2016 at 09:09 PM

LH

“ *Leo & Roxanne Harris lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ida Ruth Newman*



Leo & Roxanne Harris - November 15, 2016 at 07:38 AM