



Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs

July 12, 1964 - December 25, 2023

****HOMEGOING SERVICES FOR MRS. JANICE MARIE BIBBS WILL BE HELD 11:00 A.M. ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 5, 2024 AT TABERNACLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST IN KALAMAZOO (DOORS OF THE CHURCH WILL BE OPEN FOR FAMILY HOUR, WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 10:00 A.M. AT THE CHURCH.

*****PLEASE NOTE***PUBLIC VISITATION WILL BE HELD 4:30 P.M.TO 6:30 P.M. THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 2023 AT HARPER FUNERAL HOME. SERVICE TIMES, LOCATION AND DIRECTIONS ARE LISTED BELOW)

****MASKS WILL BE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST AT FUNERAL HOME & CHURCH--- HAND SANITIZER WILL ALSO BE PROVIDED****

The Obituary

On Christmas morning, December 25th Janice M. Bibbs, age 59 transitioned over with her daughters by her side at Bronson Hospital. Janice, also affectionately known as “Jan” and “Smookey” to many, was born on July 12th, 1964, to the proud parents of Dessie (Pratt) Williams and Johnny Williams in Kalamazoo, Michigan where she resided until she transitioned home to be with the Lord.

Janice received her education through Kalamazoo Public Schools and at a young age, she took on the responsibility of taking care of her mother where she grew to love and help the elderly, she later became a certified nursing assistant she continued to work in the healthcare field up to a few weeks before her death. She worked for Home Sweet Home and the Kalamazoo Community Mental Health where she was loved by so many employees and her clients.

Janice was a loving wife, mother, sister, aunt, cousin, and a loving friend. She was generous, kind, loving, helpful, and caring. She loved the Lord, helping others, cooking, spending time with her family and friends, and dancing; Janice was always the life of the party. Anything Janice did she did it grand. Janice could walk into any room and light it up

with just her smile. She was a person who had a heart of gold. Janice would have a Christmas dinner every year with her family and friends. She never wanted any help, just wanted everyone to show up and enjoy themselves, everyone always left with a gift.

To cherish her memory, she leaves behind her husband Stephen Bibbs and her four children Daniel Williams, Roy Essix Jr., Ronicka Essix, Chyna Bibbs, and her stepson Jaquaris (Shakiyla) Bibbs, all of Kalamazoo, Michigan; 13 grandchildren; her siblings Danny Williams, Debbie Pratt, James "Regan" Williams, and Jeffery Williams.

Her three special cousins; Nathasa Gray, Tonya Pratt, and Patrica Gray. Her three best friends; Laurie White, Sharon Pamplin, and Liz Terrell. And many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends that she loved and cared about so deeply.

Janice is preceded in death by her parents Dessie (Pratt) Williams and Johnny Williams, and her son Stephen Bibbs Jr. Maternal grandparents T.L. Pratt and Magnolia (Echols) Pratt.

Although Janice has departed from this life, Janice will truly be missed and always loved...
Our QUEEN of K-Zoo.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Public Viewing For Family & Friends

JAN 4. 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel
521 Douglas Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

Visitation For Family & Friends

JAN 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Tabernacle Church of God in Christ
3210 Virginia Ave
Kalamazoo, MI 49004-1645
(269) 385-8940

A Homegoing Celebration

JAN 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

Tabernacle Church Of God In Christ
3210 Virginia Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



Harper Funeral Home - January 02, 2024 at 12:12 PM

DH

Beautiful Tribute video

Deborah Hewitt - January 02, 2024 at 03:15 PM

LC

Janice you will be truly missed into we all meet again

Iela copprue - January 05, 2024 at 09:44 PM

MF

“ Mark Ford lit a candle in memory of Janice Bibbs



Mark Ford - March 21, 2024 at 01:20 PM

LL

“ Lula Ligon lit a candle in memory of Janice Bibbs



Lula D Ligon - January 07, 2024 at 01:42 AM



“ *MsTia Marie lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs*



MsTia Marie - January 06, 2024 at 12:29 PM



“ *Leslie Pratt lit a candle in memory of Janice Bibbs*



Leslie Pratt - January 05, 2024 at 04:29 PM



“ *Such a beautiful soul, who lived a beautiful life. Rest well sweet lady. I will miss your smile.*

Cynthia Tall - January 05, 2024 at 10:17 AM



“ *I have been blessed to have Janice as my neighbor for so many years. She loved to host gatherings celebrating a special occasion or just because. She was such a lover of people and showed it in so many ways. I will miss our chats whether on my porch or in the yard or one of our homes. She loved her Lord and served Him by the love, care and service to others....now she gets to see Him face to face looking forward to our reunion.*



Layla Jabboori - January 04, 2024 at 11:52 PM



“ *Jerry Harris lit a candle in memory of Janice Bibbs*



Jerry Harris - January 04, 2024 at 10:59 PM

SJ

“ Sending love and prayers to Steve and the family. Janice always made me laugh in the short time we crossed paths. She was an AMAZING WOMEN!!! SHE WILL BE MISSED BY MANY.

STAR JONES

star Jones - January 04, 2024 at 08:27 PM



KA

“ Kimyatta Armstrong lit a candle in memory of Janice Bibbs

Kimyatta Armstrong - January 04, 2024 at 05:07 PM



DS

“ To the entire family, you have my most sincere condolences. My prayers are with you all at this difficult time. I will cherish the times when Janice and I shared conversations and texts as we helped one another stay encouraged and strong. Janice was a truly beautiful person and will be greatly missed.

Denise Snell - January 04, 2024 at 03:12 PM

DS

“ Denise Snell lit a candle in memory of Janice Bibbs

Denise Snell - January 04, 2024 at 02:59 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs.

January 04, 2024 at 02:14 PM



GW

“ *GEORGIA WILLIAMS lit a candle in memory of Janice Bibbs*



GEORGIA WILLIAMS - January 04, 2024 at 01:36 PM

MM

“ *To my Beautiful friend you will truly be missed, I met you at the Rickman House many years ago and we formed a great bond with each other, we laughed and talked about a lot of things , You always came with a smile and kind words I will forever be grateful for the times we shared*

Marie McNair - January 04, 2024 at 10:09 AM

KA

“ *Kimyatta Armstrong lit a candle in memory of Janice Bibbs*



Kimyatta Armstrong - January 03, 2024 at 04:33 PM

CF

“ *Carmen "Porgy" Clark-Steward and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs.*



Carmen "Porgy" Clark-Steward and Family - January 03, 2024 at 11:38 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs.*



January 03, 2024 at 10:36 AM

MF

“ *McMillian Family lit a candle in memory of Janice Bibbs*



McMillian Family - January 02, 2024 at 05:39 PM

TF

“ *Terry & Family lit a candle in memory of Janice Bibbs*



Terry McMillian & Family - January 02, 2024 at 05:39 PM

PF

“ *Patterson Family lit a candle in memory of Janice Bibbs*



Patterson Family - January 02, 2024 at 05:38 PM

SS

“ *Sherry Smith lit a candle in memory of Janice Bibbs*



Sherry Smith - January 02, 2024 at 12:43 PM

BB

“ To Steve, Micka, Daniel, Roy Jr. and Chyna my deepest condolences. Jan is truly loved by the City of Kalamazoo. I can say that she was my friend, my sista. When we met all those years ago, we never looked back and remained friends until the end. I couldn't have asked for a more beautiful person to be in my life. She took care of those that she loved including myself. The tears that I cry are tears of joy and yes I am being selfish because I want her back here with us. But I don't want her to feel any pain. I am trying to be strong for her because I know that she would want me to. I am so heartbroken because I thought that we had more time. I love my friend and thank God for blessing me with her presence in my life. Rest easy babe you are at peace. Love and miss you so much Jan and I know that I will see you again. Rest peacefully Love.



Beverly Boyd - January 02, 2024 at 09:20 AM

DW

“ David & Laverne Walker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



David & Laverne Walker - January 01, 2024 at 05:51 PM

LL

“ Lula D Ligon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



Lula D Ligon - January 01, 2024 at 05:27 PM

HJ

“ Her Sister, Terri Jackson purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs.



Her Sister, Terri Jackson - January 01, 2024 at 11:45 AM

TJ

“ *My condolences to the family and may god be with the family of my sister janet.*



Terri Jackson - January 01, 2024 at 11:33 AM

AW

“ *Alice Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs*



Alice Williams - January 01, 2024 at 09:22 AM

B(

“ *Betty (Galloway)mcdaniel lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs*



Betty (Galloway)mcdaniel - January 01, 2024 at 12:52 AM

LB

“ *LB lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs*



LB - December 31, 2023 at 03:52 PM

DE

“ *Dawn Essix lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs*



dawn essix - December 31, 2023 at 03:45 PM

DE

“ *Janice you will missed never new we have the same middle name my thoughts and prayers go out to the family including your wonderful children and grandchildren we love you and miss you so much love from Douglas and Dawn Essix*

dawn essix - December 31, 2023 at 03:43 PM

TW

“ *Terri Walke lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs*



Terri Walke - December 31, 2023 at 03:24 PM

CW

“ *Chiquona Walker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs*



Chiquona Walker - December 31, 2023 at 03:23 PM

TW

“ *Terri Walker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs*



Terri Walker - December 31, 2023 at 02:05 PM

LF

“ *Latina Tucker (Tinabell) & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs*



Latina Tucker (Tinabell) & Family - December 31, 2023 at 12:06 PM

LT

“ Latina Tucker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



Latina Tucker - December 31, 2023 at 12:04 PM

TR

“ Tonni Rogars lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



Tonni Rogars - December 31, 2023 at 12:00 PM

TA

“ Sending my condolences to the family and friends. You will be truly missed and is loved. Love Tara!



Tara - December 31, 2023 at 11:09 AM

LS

“ Lola Streeter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



Lola Streeter - December 31, 2023 at 11:01 AM

LM

“ Lynn Minor lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



Lynn Minor - December 31, 2023 at 10:29 AM

LM

“ Leon /Lynn Minor lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



Leon /Lynn Minor - December 31, 2023 at 10:27 AM

BB

“ My condolences to the family! I am so heartbroken but I know that my sister/friend is with the Lord. She took care of me after my accident this year even when she was caring for her mom. We have been friends for 30 years and I truly thank God for her. I love you Jan and wish that you could have stayed with us longer but God needs you more. Rest peacefully beautiful lady. I will never forget you.



Beverly Boyd - December 30, 2023 at 11:19 PM

HL

“ Oh sweet Janice, I can not believe this.. you were always so sweet to me, and you were such an inspiration. I send my love and prayers to your family.

Heather Love - December 30, 2023 at 10:38 PM

GF

“ Gaila Smith & Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



Gaila Smith & Family - December 30, 2023 at 08:08 PM

WM

“ Wanda Murray lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



Wanda Murray - December 30, 2023 at 07:03 PM

JD

“ Jack Dunigan sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



Jack Dunigan - December 30, 2023 at 06:27 PM

JD

“ Jack Dunigan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



Jack Dunigan - December 30, 2023 at 06:27 PM

EM

“ R.I.P Cuz will see u again one day on that side of Heaven my deepest CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS GOD BLESS THE FAMILY WITH PRAIER GOING UP RESTING COMING DOWN BLESSINGS LOVE EDDIE MCPHERSON AND FAMILY

Eddie &Robin McPherson - December 30, 2023 at 12:36 PM

EM

“ Eddie &Robin McPherson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



Eddie &Robin McPherson - December 30, 2023 at 12:27 PM

RY

“ Regina Yarber lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



Regina Yarber - December 30, 2023 at 10:49 AM



“ *Leta Thurman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs*



Leta Thurman - December 30, 2023 at 07:10 AM

AR

“ *ArleneBuchanan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs*



ArleneBuchanan - December 30, 2023 at 01:38 AM

TL

“ *My deepest and heartfelt condolences. To the Bibb family, may God comfort you all and give you Peace and Strength in your time of sorrow. I've known this beautiful lady for so many years and I loved her dearly. Fly high sweet Angel...R.I.H.P 🙏💕😘*

Teresa Lark - December 30, 2023 at 01:32 AM

TL

“ *Teresa Lark lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs*



Teresa Lark - December 30, 2023 at 01:19 AM

SB

“ *Sharon Buchanan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs*



Sharon Buchanan - December 29, 2023 at 09:03 PM

TJ

“ Rest in heaven my sister I will always love and miss you.



Terri Jackson - December 29, 2023 at 04:47 PM

HB

“ Hal & Janet Buchanan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



Hal & Janet Buchanan - December 29, 2023 at 03:15 PM

KP

“ Keysha Pratt lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



Keysha Pratt - December 29, 2023 at 02:42 PM

DF

“ Dallas Boards And Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



Dallas Boards and family - December 29, 2023 at 01:14 PM

TJ

“ My sister i will always miss and love you you was so loving and would listen to anybody problem.and would give your advice I remember when my mom and sister died you got me out a really dark place and I love you so much my heart is broken . but ill always love and miss you. And may you rest in heaven cause they will love you to til we meet again my sister.



Terri Jackson - December 29, 2023 at 12:35 PM

GL

“ Gail LaBarre lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



Gail LaBarre - December 29, 2023 at 08:59 AM

TH

“ Sending Love and Condolences to The Family Of Mrs Janice Bibbs...Jan was truly a blessing to my life I will always cherish the memories of our sisterhood. Till we meet again.Rest safe in God's Arms



Tanya Hollin - December 29, 2023 at 05:06 AM

KC

“ Well im going to miss our talks and she was just a Angel sent from above Janice had real Big Heat if she could do it then it will be done she paid for my Reception for my wedding 14yrs ago if she was hurting or had bad day at work you never knew i never heard Janice complaint she always had a smile on her face and to her children and Steve and the Family my Condolences to you God told Janice that her job hear on this earth is done and said time for my Angel to come Home you've earned your wings im really goingvto miss you my friend you Rest now my ffriend until we meet again i could go on and on about Janice Pratt-Bibbs R.I.H MY Friend Janice God called you home on his born day i wish Heaven had phone. I'm going to miss you my Friend in my Smokey voice. R.I.P Heart just hurting hard pill to take to the kids husband family keep the faith look to the hills which cometh your health God im asking you to wrap your loving arms around this Family as they go through this diffcult time just build a fence all around them they need you lord in Jesus name i pray Amen.



Kindra Calhoun-Smith - December 29, 2023 at 02:35 AM

SL

“ Sister Lula Ligon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janice Marie Bibbs



Sister Lula Ligon - December 29, 2023 at 12:31 AM

LL

Janice, you're going to be missed, you're never be forgotten, may you rest in God's care, Love you always!

Lula D Ligon - January 01, 2024 at 05:33 PM

KB

“ You definitely touched lots of people lives. You were such a great person and loved by many. You are definitely going to be missed. I send my prayers and condolences to your family. Praying for them for strength, comfort and healing through this difficult time. 🙏🙏🙏❤️

Kamesha Brown - December 28, 2023 at 10:50 PM