



Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand

October 10, 1928 - April 18, 2018

Sister Magnolia Thurmand, affectionately known as “Noddie” and “Sister” passed away April 18, 2018 at Rose Arbor Hospice Residence in Kalamazoo. She was born October 10, 1928 to the late Wiggins Snell and Mandy Snell in Blackton, AR. She attended school in Marvell, AR. Magnolia accepted Christ at an early age. She moved to Kalamazoo, MI and was a resident for over 60 years, living her family of 6 generations. After relocating to Kalamazoo with her family, Magnolia became a member of Galilee Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Mabry Gardner and currently she was under the leadership of Pastor Dr. Michael T. Scott, Sr. She was an member of the Inspirational Choir at Galilee.

Magnolia enjoyed spending time with family and friends. She also loved cooking for them and was known for her famous jelly cake and dressing. She also enjoyed fishing, bowling, travelling and shopping. She was a loving Mama, Sister, Daughter and Aunt who loved her grandchildren, nieces and nephews with a passion. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

She is preceded in death by her late Husband, William Thurmand; parents, Wiggins and Mandy Snell; a sister, Cora Cotton; brothers, William Snell, Leroy Snell, Joe Snell and Jewell Snell and her grandson, Danyelle Phillips.

She leaves to cherish her memories: 10 children, Mae (John) Jones; Emma Phillips, Ike (Margie) Thurman; Jean (Lavon) Wilson all of Kalamazoo; Alfred (Deborah) Thurmond of Decatur, GA; Earl (Pam) Thurmand; Willie (Leta) Thurmand; Brenda Evans; and Eugene (Margaret) Thurmand all of Kalamazoo, MI and William Gray of Grand Rapids, MI; also many special sons and daughters; 3 sisters, Leborá Paige, William Paige and Eddie B. Sanders all of Kalamazoo; 4 brothers, Wiggins Snell Jr. (Hilda); Leon Snell; Jessie Snell and Allen Snell; 34 grandchildren; 82 great grandchildren; and 15 great-great grandchildren.

Cemetery Details

Mount Ever-Rest Memorial Park

4037 South Westnedge Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 25. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel
521 Douglas Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

Visitation

APR 26. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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

A Service in Loving Memory

APR 26. 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. Magnolia Thurmand



Harper Funeral Home - April 24, 2018 at 09:16 PM

TA

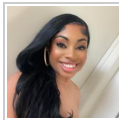
Gosh I miss you so much

Tamekka - July 19, 2018 at 10:20 AM

DS

I miss you so much, i love you

Drena (Lee) Stroman - March 15, 2019 at 08:46 AM



Hey Granny!!! Just thinking about you wanted you to know that I love you and miss you so much I miss hearing you call me “cat” I know you and my daddy having a good time in heaven together and I’m jealous about it lol the family is doing pretty good Granny we missing our rock tho! I love you and miss you love always and forever Cat 🥺🥺🥺

Kyia Kyia - April 10, 2021 at 11:13 PM

TT

Looks like I'm not the only one thinking about you a little bit these days. It's hard to believe that it's almost been three years since I kissed your face, seen your smile, smelled your scent. Mommy I miss you like nobody's business. I love you to the moon and back.

Tamekka Thurmond-Bennett - March 31, 2022 at 09:49 PM

KM

It's funny how your memory woke me out of my sleep...you didn't give birth to me but you were my mother God sent me to you for the greater purpose of my life!!! You taught me about the spirit world I never forgot that! And the essence of being a woman with respect for myself... And to be jazzy which you always were lol...you were more than a foster mother to me you were and is my angel guiding me I still feel you with me!!! Thank you Momma I love you always.... See you later never goodbye...

Katrina Mckinnie - February 28, 2024 at 02:38 AM



“ *Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ *Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM

RB

“ *Rita Snell Bradford lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Rita Snell Bradford - August 26, 2018 at 09:56 PM

RF

“ *Royetta Fry-Walker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Royetta Fry-Walker - April 27, 2018 at 02:06 PM

HW

“ *Helen McPherson Word lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Helen McPherson Word - April 27, 2018 at 07:51 AM

CG

“ *Cordell&Brenda Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Cordell&Brenda Gardner - April 26, 2018 at 08:54 PM

FF

“ *Frank&Betty Ford lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Frank&Betty Ford - April 26, 2018 at 10:27 AM

JR

“ *Janie Reed lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Janie Reed - April 26, 2018 at 09:26 AM

JR

To the family of Sister Magnolia Thurmand my sincere love and sympathy. "God's compassions fail not. They are new every morning; great is Thy faithfulness"

Love, Janie Reed

Janie Reed - April 26, 2018 at 09:47 AM

PA

“ *Pauline Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Pauline Gardner - April 25, 2018 at 10:59 PM

CB

“ *Carrie Baker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Carrie Baker - April 25, 2018 at 10:10 PM

EF

“ *Earline Fields And Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Earline Fields and Family - April 25, 2018 at 07:06 PM

BJ

“ *Bari Brown Jr lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Bari Brown Jr - April 25, 2018 at 06:10 PM

MJ

“ *Michael & Renetta Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Michael & Renetta Jones - April 25, 2018 at 05:46 PM

GW

“ *In Love & Friendship-GREGORY & MATTIE WARNER, Snellville GA*



Gregory Warner - April 25, 2018 at 05:27 PM

AR

“ *Audrey Rancifer-McGrew lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Audrey Rancifer-McGrew - April 25, 2018 at 04:24 PM

JS

“ Joe & Alexia Snell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmond



Joe & Alexia Snell - April 25, 2018 at 03:48 PM

CS

“ CINDY PHILLIPS SMITH lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmond



CINDY PHILLIPS SMITH - April 25, 2018 at 03:16 PM



“ 7 files added to the album LifeTributes



Harper Funeral Home - April 25, 2018 at 03:12 PM

VR

“ My condolences to Mr. Alfred Thurmond and to his family as well.

Vanessal A. Rancifer-Lewis - April 25, 2018 at 02:45 PM

VR

“ *Vanessal A. Rancifer-Lewis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Vanessal A. Rancifer-Lewis - April 25, 2018 at 02:43 PM

DG

“ *Danny & Danita Griffin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Danny & Danita Griffin - April 25, 2018 at 02:39 PM



“ *My prayers goes out to the family she will be truly missed*

Sally Bradshaw - April 25, 2018 at 12:26 PM

BP

“ *Barbara & James Phillips lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Barbara & James Phillips - April 25, 2018 at 11:03 AM

GF

“ Gwendolyn Smith And Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand



Gwendolyn Smith and Family - April 25, 2018 at 10:17 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand.



April 25, 2018 at 10:12 AM

VM

“ Mama Thurmond. I love you and will miss you. Condolences to the family during this difficult time.

Valerie Mitchell

Valerie Mitchell - April 25, 2018 at 09:39 AM

SJ

“ Senora Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand



Senora Jones - April 25, 2018 at 09:17 AM

SG

“ *Shirley Gordon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Shirley Gordon - April 25, 2018 at 08:15 AM

EH

“ *Elmira Hughes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Elmira Hughes - April 25, 2018 at 04:32 AM

JH

“ *Prayers and condolences to the Thurmond Family*



Jerry Harris - April 25, 2018 at 01:13 AM

MW

“ *Mark Walker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Mark Walker - April 24, 2018 at 10:45 PM

LS

“Gone but never forgotten rest ez aunt sister
your memories will keep us going forever love
ya Lewis and Juanita and family



lewis snell - April 24, 2018 at 07:18 PM

MJ

“Michael And Linda Johnson lit a candle in
memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand



Michael and Linda Johnson - April 24, 2018 at 05:20 PM

DW

“Dawn&Andrew Wilkerson lit a candle in
memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand



Dawn&Andrew Wilkerson - April 24, 2018 at 04:33 PM

PO

“To Alfred Thurmand & the entire family--Our thoughts are with you
all--
from THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE, NORTH METRO
TRANSPORTATION, DULUTH GA

POST OFFICE - April 24, 2018 at 04:24 PM

PO

“ To Alfred Thurmand and the entire family--thinking of you all during this time--
From the United States Postal Service, North Metro Transportation,
DULUTH GA

POST OFFICE - April 24, 2018 at 03:46 PM

BA

“ Belinda Brandon Anglen lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand



Belinda Brandon Anglen - April 24, 2018 at 03:33 PM

MV

“ Mignon Vincent lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand



Mignon Vincent - April 24, 2018 at 01:53 PM

WJ

“ William & Laverne Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand



William & Laverne Jones - April 24, 2018 at 01:48 PM

MS

“ *Mr. Michael Snell Sr. lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Mr. Michael Snell Sr. - April 24, 2018 at 01:46 PM

DJ

“ *DaNetta R. Julian lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



DaNetta R. Julian - April 24, 2018 at 12:58 PM

VO

“ *My condolences to the Thurmond Family in the loss of your Mother.*

The Ollie Family



Vivian Ollie-O'Neal - April 24, 2018 at 12:48 PM

FF

“ *Francies Frazier lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Francies Frazier - April 24, 2018 at 12:27 PM

CS

“ Curtis & Michelle Snell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand



Curtis & Michelle Snell - April 24, 2018 at 11:58 AM

HB

“ Hal & Janet Buchanan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand



Hal & Janet Buchanan - April 24, 2018 at 11:42 AM

DF

“ Dallas Boards And Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand



Dallas Boards and family - April 24, 2018 at 11:16 AM

TF

“ The Daniel Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand



The Daniel Family - April 24, 2018 at 11:06 AM

FA

God bless and keep you all at this time, now and forever more. Love and prayers. Faye.

Fayrene anderson - April 24, 2018 at 12:25 PM

PF

“ *PATTERSON FAMILY lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



PATTERSON FAMILY - April 24, 2018 at 10:02 AM

TC

“ *Tracy Carter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Tracy Carter - April 24, 2018 at 09:44 AM

AS

“ *Alma Snell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Alma Snell - April 24, 2018 at 09:30 AM

SW

“ *Selena Walker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Magnolia Thurmand*



Selena Walker - April 24, 2018 at 08:51 AM