



Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Burton

July 30, 1935 - November 3, 2014

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth (Reno) Burton went home to be with the Lord, Monday, November 3, 2014 at Bronson Methodist Hospital in Kalamazoo, MI.

Mary was born July 30, 1935 in Kalamazoo, to Howard J. and Ada M. (Haywood) Reno. She enjoyed a very happy childhood on Peeler Street. She received her education in Kalamazoo Public Schools. She was the beloved wife of Richard A. Burton, Sr., to whom she was united in marriage on May 9, 1953. To this union, six wonderful children were born. At the time of her passing, she was a homemaker. She was previously employed by Woodward Elementary School, Meijer's and Woods Lake School. She was a born-again devout Christian and a member of Temple Baptist Church in Kalamazoo. She was also a member of the Rebecka Missionary Circle.

Mary leaves to cherish her memory: her devoted husband, Richard A. Burton Sr.; loving sons, Richard (Clara) Burton Jr. of Battle Creek, Michigan; Lewis H. Burton of Kalamazoo; and Michael J. Burton of Michigan; She is also survived by her sister, Bertha (Joseph Barton, Jr.) Cross of Blanchard, Michigan. Others cherishing her memory include grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great-great grandchildren; special friend, Tina Ford, and a countless number of family and loving friends..

Waiting for her in Heaven are her parents, Howard and Ada Reno; daughter, Elizabeth M. Smith, Annette L. Jackson, and Jeannine Burton Fowler; brother, Howard Reno Jr.; sisters, Elvira Hernandez and Jeanette Anderson, as well as other family members.

She was a very kind, loving compassionate and generous person who loved spending time with her family and friends. She loved her children, family, singing, church, bible reading, gardening, and most of all her devoted husband, Richard. Her love for the Lord remained steadfast and faithful. She will be most remembered for giving enormous love and support to others without ever wanting or expecting anything in return. She was a loving, devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, great-great grandmother,

sister, mother-in-law, sister-in-law, aunt, cousin and loyal friend.

Cemetery Details

Mount Ever-Rest Memorial Park

4037 South Westnedge Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **10**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel
521 Douglas Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

Visitation

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

Temple Baptist Church
3706 Mount Olivet Road
Kalamazoo, MI

A Service in Loving Memory

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Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Burton



Harper Funeral Home - November 11, 2014 at 12:48 PM

CD

Harper Family Home, and my nephew, Darryl Harper, thank you so very much for all of your assistance, and creating this beautiful DVD. Clara Tolls-Burton

Clara Burton, daughter-in-law - November 11, 2014 at 09:19 PM

CC

What an Amazing Tribute to the Entire Family. Rest In Paradise Mary E. Burton...

chandra campbell - November 12, 2014 at 06:11 AM

CD

Thanks, my niecey Chandra. Even from afar, you've been such an amazing presence for me. You helped me so much through my illness during Mom's illness, hospitalization, and her loss. You're an awesome Prayer Warrior & you gathered other Warriors to help send up healing prayers for Mom. That helped uplift me and the family. She is no longer in need of healing. She is now home with our Lord. Thanks, again for your emotional & spiritual support. AuntieC loves you.

Clara Burton, daughter-in-law - November 14, 2014 at 09:26 AM



“ Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Burton

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Burton

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM

EJ

“ I remember Mary as a loving, caring person who loved talking about the Lord Jesus Christ and her family. She had such a sense of humor and would make us laugh alot. I can't wait till we see each other again in Heaven. To Mary's family: I am praying for you.

Elaine Johnston - February 23, 2016 at 04:08 PM

CB

“ Mom, you don't know how much I think about and miss you. Wish you were here. For me, your heartbreaking absence doesn't get any easier. Having been part of our family for almost 40 years, I have such sweet memories of you. I know you're watching us from Heaven because I can feel it. You're an amazing Guardian Heavenly Angel. You will forever be in my heart. Mom, I love you. Rest In Heavenly Peace. Clara Burton, daughter-in-law.



Clara Burton - June 13, 2015 at 05:10 AM

RA

“ Ramona lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Burton



Ramona - November 22, 2014 at 12:36 AM

DC

“ Diane (gardner) Carr lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Burton



diane (gardner) carr - November 19, 2014 at 08:10 PM

PG

“ Pauline { Mills } Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Burton



Pauline { Mills } Gardner - November 13, 2014 at 04:54 PM

DT

“ Thank God for heaven. See you soon dear Mary. We Were blessed To GET To KNOW you. Until we see you in the morning, over yonder where we'll never say goodbye, again.

*Pastor Darren and Starr Tharp.
Independence, Mo*

Darren Tharp - November 11, 2014 at 04:24 PM

CM

“ May God continue to give you all strength at this time.
There is no sorrow that heaven can not heal!!



Charise McPherson - November 10, 2014 at 04:38 PM

SD

“ Will always remember Mary as a sweet and spunky lady. She will living things up, up there! Will miss her but only till that wonderful day we all see her again. I am praying for the Family. Love, Sharon D.

Sharon D. - November 10, 2014 at 02:27 PM

VL

“ I will always remember her sweet smile & laughter. She always enjoyed the children. You will be greatly missed. God has received another angel.

Valerie Leake - November 10, 2014 at 08:30 AM

GM

“ Glenda Gail McKinley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Burton



Glenda Gail McKinley - November 09, 2014 at 10:56 PM

HB

“ Praying for the family. Mary was a sweet person. She will be missed; however, I will see her in heaven one day. Timothy and Heidi Boles and family

Heidi Boles - November 09, 2014 at 03:20 PM

CD

“ Clara Burton, Daughter-in-law sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Burton



Clara Burton, daughter-in-law - November 09, 2014 at 09:47 AM

HB

“ Best summer, pickling blueberries with Aunt Mary and all my cousins, squished into the station wagon. She will be missed always so sweet and kind!



heather burton - November 08, 2014 at 09:24 PM

CD

Thanks, cuz. Hugs & luv ya

Clara Burton, daughter-in-law - November 10, 2014 at 02:48 AM

Jessica Hartness

“ I am beyond sorry about your loss! She will be missed by all. I remember whenever she would come to church, I'd see her sitting down in the chair and run up to her and give her a big hug. She always had a smile on her face and brought joy to my heart and life. I will miss her everyday of my life.

Jessica Hartness - November 08, 2014 at 04:36 PM

Jessica Hartness

“ Jessica Hartness lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Burton



Jessica Hartness - November 08, 2014 at 04:32 PM



“ Terrie Swisher lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Burton



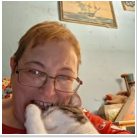
Terrie Swisher - November 08, 2014 at 07:01 AM

LM

“ Laurie E. Miley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Burton



Laurie E. Miley - November 08, 2014 at 03:56 AM



“ I miss you "Aunt Mary." You weren't really my aunt, but it was nice to have you as an adopted aunt. Have great time up there with mom Jeannette, Liz, Annette, Jeannine, and everybody else up there in Heaven.

Linda Hamilton - November 07, 2014 at 11:50 PM

DJ

“ Condolences to the family from Dolores Pratt Armstead and family.



Deborah Jorgboyan - November 07, 2014 at 11:25 AM

DH

“ Diedre Love Daughter Of Zelpha Haywood lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Burton



Diedre Love daughter of Zelpha Haywood - November 07, 2014 at 09:49 AM

LB

“ Lashay Burton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Burton



Lashay Burton - November 06, 2014 at 05:30 PM

PG

“ *Pauine Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Burton*



Pauine Gardner - November 06, 2014 at 01:07 PM

CG

“ *Cordell And Brenda Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Burton*



Cordell and Brenda Gardner - November 06, 2014 at 09:30 AM