

## For A Mother

Mother, you were just a girl,  
So many years ago.  
You had your loves and you had your dreams,  
You watched us come and go.  
You watched us make the same mistakes,  
That you had made before,  
But that just made you hold us tight,  
And love us all the more.  
We haven't always thought about  
The things that you have seen.  
To us you've just been 'Mother',  
No thought of who you've been.  
But we remember now in love,  
Your life from start to end,  
And we're just glad we knew you,  
As a mother, and as a friend.

## Family Acknowledgements

The family wishes to thank and acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, through phone calls, visits, thoughts, and prayers that have helped greatly during our time of bereavement. May God continue to bless and keep each one of you.

*Humbly Submitted: The Family*

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CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF

# Ruby Hughley

OCTOBER 18, 1937

APRIL 14, 2023

# BRADLEY



**Saturday April 22, 2023**

Wake 10:00 AM

Celebration of Life 10:30 AM

Charity Baptist Church

959 Parkwood Dr. Cleveland, Ohio 44108

Pastor Bobby Hicks, Officiating



# Beyond the Dash

October 18, 1937, in Bullock County Alabama, Ruby Hughley Bradley was born to Reverend Sylvester and Hommie L. Johnson, who preceded her in death. In 1940, the family relocated to Cleveland, Ohio. She attended and received her education at Marion Elementary School, Brownell Junior High School, and East Tech High School.

Ruby entered the workplace at seventeen years old as a telephone operator at Ohio Bell. The company went through many name changes and her contributions were significantly impactful because of her vast knowledge and experience that was willingly shared. During her career, she trained and mentored a large number of the new employees. She enjoyed meeting people. Over the years she cultivated relationships that continued past her retirement in 1989. One of her dear friends from work was by her bedside in her final hours sharing memories and stories of a life well lived.

She accepted Christ at an early age. She joined Mt. Gillion Baptist Church under the leadership of Reverend W. L. Engram.

During her membership, she served faithfully in several capacities including the Mass Choir and the Missionary Society. She was the Sunday School Superintendent for years. Ruby had a passion for God's word, and she loved to teach.

She knew the importance of education and attended Progressive Bible Institute to sharpen her gift of teaching.

She graduated on May 17, 1994.

We would often hear her praying one of her favorite sayings, "Lord have mercy". She loved to listen to Aretha Franklin Gospel album and sing many different Hymns.

Popping gum, smoking cigarettes, partnering with the youth department to feed the homeless, and traveling to the National Baptist Sunday School Convention are some of the things she was affectionately known for doing.

# Order of Service

## Musical Prelude

JC Jones

## Processional

The Family

## Family and Friends Visitation

## Old Testament & New Testament

Pastor Milton Atterberry - Christian Hope MBC  
Prayer of comfort Pastor - Judah Early  
New Community Fellowship

## Musical Selection

Sis. Danielle Mays

## Acknowledgements & Resolutions

Minister Kerri Jefferson

## Remarks & Reflections

(2 minutes limited)

## Obituary Reading

(Silently)

## Musical Selection

Sis. Danielle Mays

**Eulogy** - Pastor Bobby Hicks

## Recessional

The Family

## Interment

Cleveland Memorial Gardens  
4324 South Green Rd.  
Cleveland, OH 44128

Repast at the church following burial.





# Don't



Don't spend too much time in mourning,  
Tears are for the sad,  
I left to be with Jesus  
And this should make you glad.  
Don't waste your hours in grieving,  
No need to feel distressed.  
I was tired of life's frustrations  
And had to get some rest.  
Don't vex yourself with questions,  
Or try to reason why?  
Life here for me has ended,  
It came my time to die.  
Don't lose the love I gave you,  
Feed it with care,  
Grow it with devotion,  
Spread it everywhere.  
Don't fret because my leaving  
Came in such a way,  
Will have another meeting,  
On God's eternal day.

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Ruby cared so deeply for the youth, she wanted to make sure that they had a good foundation and exposure to traveling outside of their communities. She knew that they were the upcoming leaders and needed guidance. She was loved by many and had special relationships with the members she served alongside.

When her mother's health began to wane, she wanted to ensure that her mom could still attend church. Therefore, she moved her membership to Charity Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor Bobby Hicks. She continued to have a heart to serve in various ministries and give back, which also included community events until her health began to decline. In the summer, you would find her sitting outside after church to eat and fellowship with the saints. The loving church family at Charity made sure she had a cup of coffee and transportation arranged. She attended the St. Martin De Porres family center until her health began to decline, but she remained in communication with the other seniors she had befriended. Ruby loved to travel, visited many states, and can be remembered for hopping in her Fleetwood Cadillac, driving to Alabama on any given day. Las Vegas, Detroit, and Sandusky were her favorite destinations. She loved to fish, shop, play Bingo, Bid Whist, go to the casino, and garden. Spending time with her family and friends was especially important and her house was known as the gathering place.

She always brought flair wherever she went. When it was time for pictures, you could catch her posing for the camera saying "chitterlings" instead of "cheese" displaying her big, beautiful smile. She was known affectionately as "The Original Diva".

Ruby Hughley-Bradley, 85 years young, lived a full life.



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She was greeted by the angelic host on Friday April 14, 2023, while being surrounded by her family praying and listening to the melodic sounds of Shekinah Glory Ministry as they sang "Jesus". As she slipped away, God had Heaven's playlist setup because the next song was "The Storm is Over Now" by Kirk Franklin and "Now Behold the Lamb" featuring Tamela Mann.

Ruby leaves to celebrate her legacy: Brothers- Sylvester Johnson Jr. (deceased), Charles Johnson (brother who resides in Indonesia) Karen Hughley (daughter), Gregory Hughley and Darrell Hughley (sons) Marvin Hughley (son who preceded her in death); grandchildren Kawanda Williams, Marvin Hughley, Jr., Marvella Grant, and Marina Hughley; great grandchildren Keyonna Hughley, Aaron Allen, A'Zaria Sims, Marvaun Hughley, and Marvin Hughley III; great-great-grandchildren Avery Parks, Andrew Parks and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

In her final days, when asked her what her favorite scripture was. She replied: Remember the Sabbath and keep it Holy. Exodus 20:8 KJV



# PRECIOUS MEMORIES

