

A Celebration of Life

HOMEGOING SERVICE FOR

Ida Lee Bailey

January 8, 1929—June 30, 2020

For I am convinced [and continue to be convinced—beyond any doubt] that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present and threatening, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the [unlimited] love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.—Romans 8:38-39



Monday, August 10, 2020 Celebration
8:00 AM

Robinson Funeral Home
1313 6th Street, NW ■ Washington, DC

A Woman of Purpose



Ida Lee Bailey was born on January 8, 1929 in Shreveport, Louisiana. In 1945, Ida moved to Washington, DC and began to start her life. In 1947 she began to work at Naval Medical Hospital Center, where she met William Bailey, Jr. and the two wasted no time getting married. The two lovebirds enjoyed married life before starting a family of their own. Once they decided to start a family, again no time was wasted. They welcomed their first daughter, Joyce to the world in 1954 and exactly one year later their second daughter, Barbara was born completing their loving family.

In 1969 William passed away and Ida began working harder to raise her two daughters on her own. She is remembered as a stern mother who didn't play about education and always wanted her house clean. In working long hours at work, she taught her girls the importance of learning how to cook, especially by her being a master in the kitchen, they learned from the best. Her mac & cheese, candied yams and salmon cakes will be surely missed for years to come.

Ida enjoyed bowling, in fact she loved it so much she became a member of a championship bowling league. Scrabble was her favorite board game, after studying the scrabble dictionary every night she frequently summoned her family and friends to night long scrabble games until she mastered a win. Ida was a member of two social clubs that often traveled together and had a host of parties and social gatherings where she'd dance the night away. She will always be remembered as a hard worker that loved, supported and assisted her family through every type of need.

Ida, transitioned peacefully on June 30, 2020, and leaves to cherish her memory, two daughters, Joyce (Larry) and Barbara (Chip), eight grand children, William Bailey (Tamekia), Aaron Carter (Kara), Erika Smith, Maurice Bailey, Chavonne White, Chysa White (Ronald), Gerald Bailey and Christopher Bailey; 14 great grandchildren and a host of great-great grandchildren, family and friends.



ORDER OF SERVICE FOR MRS. IDA LEE BAILEY

Processional

Scripture Readings

Old Testament- Lamentations 3:22-23

New Testament- ~~Luke 2: 13-14~~ 1st Thessalonians 4:13-18

Reflections (Family Members)

Obituary

Words of Comfort – Elder James A. McKinnon, Jr.

Recessional

John 14: 2

In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.







Dear Momma



Thank you for your endless unconditional love, that only you gave. You showed me the way to endure through the good times and the bad, no matter what. You showed me how to persevere when I didn't want to persevere. You would say "just hang in there, you'll be alright" You kept me and my family fed, clean and clothed with the care packages that you sent every 2 months. Thank you for the precious advice given when needed and the laughter. You never stopped giving

and I am grateful and honored to be your daughter. Love you Ma, I'm going to miss you a lot, but I know where you are and I will continue to love you! Rest in peace until we meet again.

Love, Joyce



There is no love like a Mother's love and it is so hard to say goodbye. Mom, your work here has been completed, the Lord has called you home. Your warm smile and laughter will surely be missed and the things you taught me about life, I will always remember. Rest in Peace Mom, I will always love you.

Love, Barbara





Dear Grandma



Grandma,

You may have passed on, but your memories would always live on within me. Thank you for your sacrifices, your care and concern, your humor, love and everything that you have done for the family. I know you are in a much better place and no longer hurting. I am forever grateful and thankful that I was blessed with knowing you and the time spent with you. You will forever be in my heart. I love you.

Love, Chysa

First of all I would like to say thank you for all that you have done for me throughout my whole life. Words really can't express how I feel but I want you to know deep down inside my heart I will always love you and remember you forever Grandma... No more pain and suffering you finally can sleep in peace



Love, Gerald

Grandma,

Thank you for everything you have done for our family. You were the heart and soul. You made sure we stuck together. You will be missed so much. I'll always do my best because I know you will be looking down on us. You always said you were proud of us. Well I'm proud of you. I love you and will miss you!

Love , Your Grandson Chris



Dear Grandma



This is for you Mom,

I love you so much you have taught and shown me a lot of things. You told me one day that the good Lord will bring me home. Ma, thanks for everything. He told me you will always have a special place in my heart. Rest in Peace.

Love, Tony

To My Beloved Nana,

Rest in loving eternal peace, the loving comfort of the life lessons taught and unconditional love provided was never taken for granted, and will forever live on in my heart. I will miss the many conversations whether they were in stern discipline, or recreational. They were derived from your deep passion for all of us to be productive citizens regardless of our situation. Thank you for being there to listen, love, and assist with any problem we encountered. Thank you for just being you! I will love and cherish all the moments we had, and thank the Lord for the time He gave us with you. Grandma!

Love, Aaron

Grandmas are short on criticism and long on love. And that's what I've always felt from you. You never treated me with anything but love and kindness. Your smile lit up every room you were in. You welcomed me into the family with open arms. And for that I'm forever grateful. Love and miss you always

Erika

Grandma, I thought of you with love today. But that is nothing new, I thought about yesterday and the days before that too. I often speak your name, all I have is memories and your pictures in a frame. I carry your name proud, with which I'll never part. God has you in His possession and I have you in my heart.

Love, Maurice

I will never forget when I told you I didn't know how to make grits. You told me, that if I didn't know how to make grits that meant I couldn't read. You'll be proud to know that ever since you told me that, can't nobody touch me and my grits. I think of you EVERY TIME I make em. There are many fond memories that I have of you and majority of them will have people laughing. You showed our family what hard work looks like and how it pays off. You showed us the importance of living this one life we have to the absolute fullest. You lived a long and prosperous life and had fun too! I will always love you Grandma not only for your quick wit, strong will and laugh but for your tough love and the lessons I learned from the life you lived! Rest in peace Grandma and watch over us because we're gonna need it.

Love, Chavonne

What You Meant To Us

To My Mother-in-Law,

In my lifetime, I've been blessed to have known "Ida Lee Bailey," "Iceberg", as my mother in law. I never called her that out of respect. From the first time I met her, she never spoke a negative word to me. She gave all she had, never asking anything in return, except for your being respectful of her and her home and others. For years, we would receive what I like to call care packages from her every two months or so. It was like she knew what we needed. This list was too long to mention. For years we would visit her, and when we did, we had to take along a large ice chest or cooler, full of all the food she gave because she gave so much. Thank you Mom for giving so much of you to us.

*With undying Love, Larry (Lavander) Smith
PS. Thanks for the cornflake filled salmon cakes. They were the BEST!*

Its not often that you get a package deal such as, a beautiful wife and an exceptional mother-in-law. You treated me like one of your own. I was always amazed at the amount of thought you put into everything, even playing scrabble. Your tricks at keeping me up playing all night were unbelievable. What I admired most was your will when things were out of your hands you never wavered. Things would always work out, and they did. I can't begin to express in totality how you'll be missed, but I know you would advise your loved ones to press on. In pressing on, I'll end by saying, see you when I get there, God willing. Peace and Blessings

Beloved , Chip