

Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Flower Bearers

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A Mother's Love

A Mother's love is something that no one can explain

It is made of deep devotion and of sacrifice and pain

It is endless and unselfish and enduring, come what may

For nothing can destroy it or take that love away

It is patient and forgiving when all others are forsaking,

And it never fails or falters, even though the heart is breaking

It believes beyond believing when the world around condemns

And it grows with all the beauty of the rarest, brightest gems

It is far beyond defining, it defies all explanation

And it still remains a secret, like the mysteries of creation

A many splendid miracle, man cannot understand

And another wondrous example of God's tender guiding hand.

-Author Unknown



Acknowledgement

The family of the late Jessierine Davis Bright wishes

to express their heartfelt appreciation for the many

expressions of sympathy, love, and acts of kindness

shown to them during their time of bereavement.

May God bless each of you!!!

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Service of Triumph CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF



Mrs. Jessierine Davis Bright

Sunrise
MARCH 5, 1923

Sunset
MAY 8, 2020

Wednesday, May 13, 2020
11:00 Ante Meridiem

COOKS HILL CEMETERY
Cooks Hill Road
Walterboro, South Carolina

A Triumphant Journey

Time well-spent reflects a life well-lived. No empire lasts forever; no dynasty continues unbroken. Someday you and I will be mere legends. All that matters is whether we did what we could with the life that was given to us.

On March 5, 1923, the world was blessed to receive a precious angel, Jessierine Davis Bright, born to James (Jimmy) Rogers and Julia Sanders Davis of Walterboro, South Carolina. Mrs. Jessierine Davis Bright made the most of 97 beautiful years. Known as Momma Jessierine, she was young at heart beyond her years. Her wisdom was evident in all of her encouragement, patience, and spiritual guidance. Momma Jessierine believed, “The world was ours to explore,” and always reminded us to, “Go out there.” She pushed us to believe in ourselves, dream often, and be the best in all we do.

Momma Jessierine loved to explore this wonderful world that the Lord has made. She travelled to many places, including the Caribbean, Canada, the French Riviera, Paris, Monaco, and Italy. Momma was an expert at her daily craft, quilting. Her “made-with-love” quilts were gifts to many of her loved ones. Through the years, her hobbies were reading, solving puzzles, playing games, gardening, and whistling. No one could beat her at cards, especially Smut.

While Momma Jessierine always told each of her five daughters, “Get your education; it will stay with you longer than any man,” she also taught her four sons to cook, clean, and take care of a house. It was hard to leave Momma Jessierine’s house. When you would stand to leave, she’d often say, “I am not tired of your company. Why are you in such a hurry to leave?” No one ever visited her and left empty-handed. She always made sure she put something in your hand—even if it were crackers, bananas, or mints—before you left.

Momma Jessierine had a quick-witted, magnetic personality that drew people to her. She was charismatic and loved to tell funny stories. There was never a dull moment in Momma’s presence.

To meet Momma was to know that she was a Christian. Momma Jessierine was the mother of Isaiah United Methodist Church and an Eastern Star. She was educated at St. Peters School in Walterboro. In 1940, she was joined in Holy matrimony to the late Herbert Garfield Bright. They were blessed with nine children and enjoyed 62 years of marriage. One daughter, Gwendolyn B. Chisolm, preceded her in death.

Left to celebrate her life and to continue her legacy are: Herman G. Bright (Anna) of Walterboro, SC; Cephus L. Bright (Dr. Gwendolyn) of Columbia, SC; Howard L. Bright (Beatrice) of Walterboro, SC; Polly B. Green (the late Leonard Green) of Graniteville, SC; Jessie Ruth Burgess of Walterboro, SC; Gracie B. Williams (Leroy) of High Springs, FL; Herbert Bright, Jr., of Seabrook, SC; and Senator Margie B. Matthews (Patrick) of Walterboro and Seabrook, SC; one sister of the original seven siblings, Flora Bell Stephens of Walterboro, SC; two sisters-in-law remain to cherish her memories, Patricia Bright and Marian Bright, both of Walterboro, SC. Momma was blessed to have 29 wonderful grandchildren, 55 great-grandchildren, and 24 great-great grandchildren, all of whom she loved to spoil.

During the early morning hours of Friday, May 8, 2020, Momma Jessierine folded her earthly cart when she heard the Master’s call, and went home to be with the Lord. She is truly loved and will be missed by her devoted family, friends, members of the community, and all who were blessed to know her.

Mother

*Mother, who is she?
She is the tree of life;
She is love,*

*And no greater love of any other,
Than that of a Mother.*

*She is caring, she is sharing,
She is understanding*

There is just no comparing.

*Without Mother, there is no boy,
There is no girl,*

And there is no world.

Mother is the cornerstone

Of peace, harmony, and tranquility.

She is warm, sincere, and intelligent

With the greatest ability.

Of all the things on earth and above,

There is no greater love than Mother’s love.

Mother taught us to be honest, to be truthful, to

Work for what we want in life, to

Respect ourselves as well as others, and to

Believe in God Almighty;

For He is the way, the truth, and the light.

God bless Mother with good health in life,

For without Mother, there is no future, there is no life.

There is no husband, and there is no wife.

O Heavenly Father, bless our Mother with longevity

To the highest endeavor;

O God, bless our Mother today, tomorrow, and forever.

-Cephus L. Bright (Son)

Oh, Dear Mother

Oh Dear Mother, you are a precious jewel;

You are so sweet, loving, wonderful and understanding.

You are one-of-a-kind;

*You always have a listening ear for
anyone who needs guidance.*

You’re always showing that you care—

Oh Dear Mother, it’s a joy to have you in our lives from day to day—

You’re a Godsend;

Mother, you are the light that shines within.

-Jessie R. Burgess (Daughter)

SERVICE OF TRIUMPH FOR

Mrs. Jessierine Davis Bright

OfficiantReverend Henry Ravenel, Pastor
Isaiah United Methodist Church

Greetings/Invocation.....Reverend Henry Ravenel

Scripture.....Matthew 7:1-8

Prayer of Comfort

Solo.....*Walk With Me, Lord* Gracie B. Williams (Daughter)
(One of Momma’s favorite songs)

Words of Comfort.....Minister Anna S. Bright
Daughter-in-Law

Committal, Interment, Final Prayer, and Benediction

Floral Presentations from the Children

Herman G. Bright

Cephus L. Bright

Howard L. Bright

Polly B. Green

Children of the late Gwendolyn B. Chisolm

Jessie Ruth Burgess

Gracie B. Williams

Herbert Bright

Margie B. Matthews

**Each presentation represents a flower planted in Momma
Jessierine’s garden.*