Pallbearers

Johnny W. White II
Robert D. White
Raefael Walker II
Dexter Buress Jr.
Brain Williams
Nikia White

Honorary Pallbearers

Quistelle Williams
William "AL" Fitzpatrick
Anthony Peacock
Mark Peacock
Carl Roman
Lenon Best

Acknowledgements

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Interment

Garfield Park Cemetary
2222 Kalamazoo Street
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49506

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St. Mary's Temple of Peace
1106 Sheldon Street
Grand Rapids, Michigan

Services Entrusted to:
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Celebrating the *Life* of



Ruby D. White

August 17, 1935 ~ September 11, 2025

Tuesday September 23, 2025

Family hour 11am Homegoing 12pm

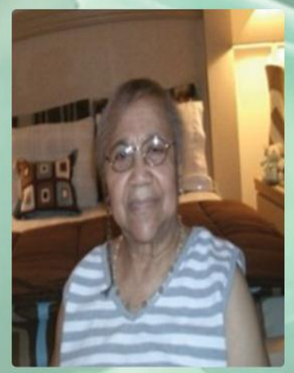
St Mary's Temple of Peace Church
1106 Sheldon Ave SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49507

Officiating Pastor: Dr. Johnny W. White
Bethel A.M.E Church Hearne, Texas

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I DIDN'T KNOW YOU LONG AS MANY OTHERS DID, BUT IT WAS SUCH A BLESSING HAVING YOU IN MY LIFE. OUR MANY TALKS AND LAUGHTER, ME CLEANING YOUR CARPET AND YOU TRYING TO SNEAK ME MONEY FOR DOING IT, AFTER I REPEATEDLY TOLD YOU NO! TAKE YOUR REST BABE, YOU WILL TRULY BE MISSED.
-LOVE CARL

"LIFE WELL LIVED"
A LIFE WELL LIVED IS A PRECIOUS GIFT, OF HOPE AND STRENGTH AND GRACE, FROM SOMEONE WHO HAS MADE OUR WORLD A BRIGHTER, BETTER PLACE. IT'D FILLED WITH MOMENTS, SWEET AND SAD WITH SMILES AND SOMETIMES TEARS WITH FRIENDSHIPS FORMED AND GOOD TIMES SHARED AND LAUGHTER THROUGH THE YEARS. A LIFE WELL LIVED IS A LEGACY, OF JOY AND PRIDE AND PLEASURE, A LIVING, LASTING MEMORY OUR GRATEFUL HEARTS WILL TREASURE .
-LOVE CAROLYN

JOB WELL DONE. TAKE YOUR REST AND SAVE ME A SEAT NEXT TO YOU. IMMA MISS YOU OLD KOOK.
-LOVE DUPT

GRANDMA, YOU ARE LOVED MORE THAN WORDS CAN SAY. YOU WILL BE MISSED AND LOVED UNTIL THE END OF TIME.
-LOVE NIKKI

MY "BABE" MY "SHUG", ONE OF THE BIGGEST PIECES OF MY HEART, KNOWING I WON'T BE ABLE TO SNEAK UP ON YOU NO MORE COMING IN TOWN, OR HEAR YOU SAY "HEY MEEK", BREAKS MY HEART. I'M BLESSED TO HAVE HAD YOU IN MY LIFE AND MY KID'S LIFE THIS LONG. I WILL NEVER FORGET ALL YOU DONE FOR ME AND HOW MUCH YOU PRAYED FOR ME, AND I WANT YOU TO KNOW I'M GOING TO KEEP "ROLLING WITH THE PUNCHES" AS YOU WOULD SAY AND "GET IT RIGHT" AND TRY TO BE MORE LIKE YOU. I LOVE YOU WITH ALL MY HEART AND I'M GOING TO BE OK. I KEPT MY PROMISE, TO BE BY YOUR SIDE WHEN YOU LEFT THIS WORLD AND I'M GOING TO FINISH OUT THE REST OF THAT PROMISE TO MAKE SURE YOU'RE LAID TO REST WELL.
-LOVE MEKA

I LOVE YOU AND MISS YOU DEARLY.
-LOVE KIA

YOU'VE BEEN MY BACKBONE SINCE DAY ONE AND ME DOING THE REST OF MY LIFE WITHOUT YOU PHYSICALLY IS HURTING ME DEEPLY. YOU'VE BEEN MY BEST FRIEND AND MY CONFIDANT MY WHOLE LIFE FROM THE CRYBABY ME TO NOW, LOL! YOU'VE HELPED ME WITH ALL 4 OF MY KIDS AND ALL 4 OF THEM LOVE YOU THE SAME WAY, I LOVE YOU. WHO'S GONNA TEACH ME HOW TO MAKE SWEET POTATOE COBBLER NOW? LOL! I'M GOING TO MISS YOU SO MUCH GRANNY. WHY DID YOU HAVE TO LEAVE US, WE STILL NEED YOU, BUT GOD NEEDED YOU MORE. I LOVE YOU BABE
-LOVE KEYAUNA

AS GRANDMA'S OLDEST GRANDSON, I HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF WATCHING HER STRENGTH AND RESILIENCE THROUGHOUT MY LIFE. SHE CARRIED STORIES, STRUGGLES, AND WISDOM THAT SHAPED NOT ONLY ME, BUT THE GENERATIONS THAT FOLLOWED. THOUGH LIFE WASN'T ALWAYS SIMPLE, HER PRESENCE LEFT A MARK THAT I WILL CARRY FORWARD. I WILL REMEMBER HER LESSONS, HER QUIET STRENGTH, AND THE LOVE SHE GAVE IN HER OWN WAY. ALTHOUGH WE LOVED FROM A DISTANCE THAT LOVE WAS NO LESS INTENSE. YOU WILL BE FOREVER LOVED. MAY YOU REST IN PEACE.
-LOVE BUCK

Farewell Babe

"If Roses Grow in Heaven"

If Roses grow in Heaven, Lord please pick a bunch for me. Place them in my Mother's arms, and tell her they're from me. Tell her I love her and I miss her, and when she turns to smile, place a kiss upon her cheek and hold her for a while. Because remembering her is easy, I do it every day, but there's ache within my Heart that will never go away.

-Your Baby Girl Rhonda

I'll always love my Momma, She's my Favorite Girl



Mom, thank you for being an example and a legacy of love. You will forever be in my heart.

-Love Janice

Momma, A.K.A Sexy. I love and miss you already. Thank You for all you have done for all us.

-Love Rachel

My relationship with Granny was not always simple, yet her presence left a lasting mark on our family's journey. She faced life with resilience and carried her own stories, struggles and strengths that have shaped who I am today. I will remember her for the lessons she taught me both in words and in silence and now she rests. Granny will be missed.

-Love Sandy

Loved by the world, the best soul there could have been. We miss you and love you so much.

-Love DJ

My heart is breaking in a million pieces. I now have to live life without you and not seeing this is possible. But I know you would want me to move on and carry you everywhere I go. You've encouraged me to keep pressing and to "Get it Right" as you so loved to say. I miss you so much and appreciate all you have done and taught me. Our bond was like no other. You loved me and I would go to War for you. I promise to make you proud.

-Love Tweak (Toccara)

Order of Service

Officiate of Homegoing ..... Rev. Paulette White

Co- Pastor Bethel A.M.E Church

Hearne, Texas

Processional ..... Family and Clergy

Old Testament Scripture ..... Pastor Lillie Thompson

St. Mary's Temple of Peace

New Testament Scripture .....Pastor Kenneth W. Hoskins

Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church

Prayer ..... Elect Lady Sheronda Hoskins

Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church

~Musical Selections ~

Obituary & Acknowledgements ..... Min. Anshanette Colbert-Brooks

Poem .....Grandchildren

Poem .....Great Grandchildren

~Musical Selections ~

Words of Comfort..... Minister Tom Cutts

~Musical Selections ~

Eulogy.....Dr. Johnny W. White

Co- Pastor Bethel A.M.E Church

Hearne, Texas

Recessional..... Family & Clergy



Ruby D. White "Babe" was born August 17, 1935 in Houlka, Mississippi to Jodie and Ressie Lee White. Ruby was the 10th out of 11 Children.

Babe was also known for her strong Faith in God she accepted Christ into her life at a very young age. She was a member of St. Mary's Temple of Peace until she departed this world. She loved her some Good Ole Quartet Music, especially the "Williams Brothers" and the infamous "Lee Williams and the Spiritual QC's". She would often be found giving God praise wherever she was, stopping dead in her tracks she would do her dance and continue on doing what she was doing. "Babe" was also, a prayer warrior, many nights she would be found sitting or kneeling on the side of her bed i interceding for those who needed a word from God. She always instilled in her Family to "Get it Right" with God and to always keep him first. She also, made it a point to tell us, "Be the best parents you can be and raise your children up right".

She is proceeded in death by her father; Jodie White Sr, Mother; Ressie Lee White, Brothers; Udell White, Nueben White, Lloyd Londell White, Jodi White Jr, Hubert White. Sister; Mary Florence Dukes, Dorothy Mae Peacock, Thelma Lee Jones, Mennie Eunice Nails, MayBelle White. Great Grandchildren; Ja'Miyah Arie Means and Jay'Myle Means.

On September 11, 2025 "Babe" transitioned to Glory. Leaving behind a legacy of Love and Compassion that will continue to inspire all who knew her.

Babe leaves behind to cherish her memory 4 Children; Johnny (Paulette) White, Janice Walker, Rachel White, and Rhonda White. 10 Grandchildren; Sandra White, Johnny White II, Nekosha Walker, Robert White, Raefael Walker II, Toccara (Carl) White, Nikia White, Jamika (Lenon) Best, Keyauna Caston, Danyka White. 17 Great Grandchildren; Dexter, Jareyah, Mehki, Jamyr, Tahari, Leniyah, Jay'Çeon, Jah'lil, Jamieon, Lyric, Layah, Jay'Quan, Jalen, Olivia, Ashmiere, Zayiah Renee, and Ella. Special Nephew William "Al" Fitzpatrick, Niece Margaret Phifer and Niece Wilma Curry. Special Adopted Daughters Carolyn Allen and Debra Ford.

She was dearly loved and cherished by her family, especially by her Grand children. She was affectionately known as "Babe" by her Grandchildren and those close to her. To our surprise this was also the nickname given to her Grandmother. Babe was known for her style, excellent home decor skills and hospitality. Anyone who came to Babe's house would receive a good meal, good desserts, great conversation and a good ole trip down memory lane.

She always wanted to make sure people felt welcomed and made it a point to keep in contact with her family.

Even though our hearts are broken, we can hear her say "Come on Jesus". She called upon his name and he answered.

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