

Life Legacy of Evangelist Bettie Savannah Durden Morgan

Bettie was born the daughter of Omedia and Mittie Sims Savannah in Marshall, Texas on Monday, December 8, 1947. She departed this life to be with her Lord and Savior on Sunday, November 3, 2024 in Mineola, Texas.

She accepted Christ at an early age. She joined and was baptized at New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church in Marshall where she served as an usher and sang in the choir. As a resident of Mineola, Bettie united with the St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church where she remained a member in good standing until her death. Under the leadership of the current pastor, Reverend Demethrius Boyd, Bettie was ordained as an Evangelist, a position in which she served faithfully. She was the organizer of the “Disciples of Christ”, the Youth Department Praise Team at her church, which resulted in her spending countless hours preparing them for competitions, and many time returning home with first place prizes. She was an avid Sunday school teacher who was always pouring knowledge into the youth.

Bettie was an energetic, spirit-filled, faithful, and God Fearing believer, and a child of God who loved her Heavenly Father with all her heart, mind, and soul. She would often let you know who the head of her life was, who she was, and to whom she belonged. She had her B.A. degree (Born Again), her B.S. degree (Baptized and Sanctified), her PhD (Praised Him Daily) and ultimately, He was the center of her joy and the navigator of her fate.

As a child she attended Marshall Public schools and was a member of the 1966 H. B. Pemberton High School Class where she participated in the marching band as a majorette. She was famously known for her high kicks. She later became the Drum Major. After high school graduation, she enrolled and graduated from Wiley College with a degree in Education in 1975. In August 1977, she completed requirements for a Masters Degree in the

College Without Walls Program (Wiley College and Prairie View A&M University).

Her teaching career began in 1975 in Bossier City, Louisiana followed by Wills Point, Texas., where she was recognized as Teacher of the Year and Mineola, Texas. Upon her retirement from public education in 2002, Bettie completed the course for certification as an aerobics instructor and became a Sunday School Publishing Board Certificate of Progress Program Instructor. She also volunteered at Kindness Kottage and served as a beloved Board Member. Bettie also performed in local theater and played the hand bells. Evangelist Morgan’s tireless faith led her to serving at local nursing homes, as well as visiting and ministering with the sick and shut-in on a regular basis.

Her parents, a sister, Jean Jordan, brothers, Joel, William, and Winston Savannah, and her husbands, Ephrain Durden, and Richard Morgan, Jr., all preceded her in death.

Left to cherish her memories are her two sons, Joel D. Durden (Carla), of Josephine, TX; Andre’Morgan (Ashli), of Whitehouse, TX; a brother, Ronald L. Savannah (Mildred) of Marshall, TX; GlamMa’s Glam kids Adina N. Durden, Joel D. Durden, II, Paisley Morgan, Naomi Morgan, Savannah Morgan, and Chloe Morgan; a sister-in-law, Shirley Savannah of Dallas, TX; a brother-in-law, Roosevelt Jordan, niece Katrina Jordan-Watts, nephew, Omedia Brion Jordan, and grandniece, Chelsea Watts all of Marshall, TX; her closest friends, Verlinda McCalla, Linda Smith, Caroline Areia, Anthony Wright and countless other friends.



A beautiful soul is never forgotten



Order of Service

- Processional.....Ministers, & Family
- Officiator Observations
- Prayer.....Pastor Demethrius Boyd
- SoloSister Ida Ogueri
- Praise Dance Team
- ResolutionSt. Paul Missionary B.C.
- Remarks.....Family
- SongSt. Paul Missionary Choir
- EulogyPastor Demethrius Boyd
- Solo.....Chris Gibson
- Presentation.....London’s Mortuary
- Parting View.....London’s Mortuary



Until We Meet Again

Those special memories of you

Will always bring a smile,

If only we could have you back

For just a little while.

Then we could sit and talk again

Just like we used to do.

You always meant so very much

And always will too.

The fact that you're no longer here

Will always cause us pain,

But you're forever in our heart,

Until We Meet Again.

Active Pallbearers

Andrew McCalla
Lee West
Vincent Gardner

Orlando Thompson
Johnny Bigham Jr.
Joseph Davis

Honorary Pallbearers

St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church Deacons

Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair; perhaps you sent a floral piece, if so, we saw it there, perhaps you spoke the kindest words, as any friend could say, perhaps you were not there at all, just thought of us that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we thank you so much. We will always remember your kindness. May God Bless Each of You.
The Savannah, Durden and Morgan Family

Thine Earthly Bed

Roselawn Memorial Gardens

Repast

St. Paul Missionary B. C. Fellowship Hall

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Forever Our Queen
Evangelist Bettie Durden Morgan



Alpha: December 8, 1947
Omega: November 03, 2024

Isaiah 40:31 "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint."

~Services~

Saturday, November 16, 2024 100 P.M.
St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church
304 Stone Street Mineola, TX 75773
Reverend Demethrius Boyd, Pastor
Officiating / Eulogist