



Mother Amanda (Williams) Howard

October 15, 1928 - January 5, 2015

Mother Amanda Howard, 86, of Peoria, IL passed away peacefully at 1:10 AM on Monday, January 5, 2015 at Heartland Manor Care.

Mother Howard was born on October 15, 1928 in Cruger, MS to Robert and Priscilla (Harris) Williams. She married Joe Willie Howard in 1947; they shared over 28 many years of matrimony before his death in 1975.

Mother Howard leaves to cherish her most precious memories her loving and devoted family which includes three sons, Robert T. Howard and Melvin Howard both of Peoria and DeWitt J. (Brenal) Beck, III of Bloomington, IL; four daughters, Joanne (Rev. Larry) Williams, Marlo Howard, Derotha (Elder Marvin) White, and Carol Beck all of Peoria; one brother, Rev. Nathaniel (Fannie Mae) Williams of Peoria; two sisters, Juanita Russell and Catherine Johnson both of Peoria; 17 grandchildren; 20 great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. She is also preceded in death by her parents; three brothers, Rev. Willie Williams, Sr., Teotha Williams and Charlie Williams, one sister, Desiree Woods and one grandson, Marvin White, Jr.

Mother Howard was a former employee of Caterpillar in the 70's. She was a past member of Peoria Friendship under the leadership of her brother, the late Pastor Willie Williams, Sr. , where she served on the senior choir, mission and mother's board. She later became a member of Faith Tabernacle C.O.G.I. C., where she faithfully served on the mother's board. Mother Howard was a homemaker and foster mother who loved family gatherings and doting on all

the children. As a pastime, she loved fishing.

Funeral services for Mother Howard will be held at 10 AM on Saturday, January 10, 2015 at Faith Tabernacle C.O.G.I.C with a visitation one hour prior beginning at 9 AM. Elder Felton Beck, Jr., will bring the eulogy and Rev. Willie Lee Williams, Jr., will officiate. Mother Howard will be laid to rest at Lutheran Cemetery. Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at simonsmortuary.com.

Cemetery Details

Lutheran Cemetery

914 S Pleasant St
Peoria, IL 61604-5954

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 10. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Faith Tabernacle C.O.G.I.C.
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Peoria, IL 61603
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mother Amanda (Williams) Howard*



Simons Mortuary - January 09, 2015 at 04:40 PM



“ *Mother Amanda (Williams) Howard*

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mother Amanda (Williams) Howard*

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *Our condolences go out to Dewitt, Carol, Ms. Juanita, and the rest of your family. May our prayers give you comfort at this time. From the Alexander family.*

Lisa Alexander - January 09, 2015 at 08:24 AM

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“Grandma, the last few days have been surreal. On one hand, I can't believe you are gone. On the other, I am thankful that you are no longer suffering. There are so many memories that I hold close to my heart. I loved going to your house and talking with you about any topic we decided to talk about. I enjoyed spending time with you in the nursing home too. The times when it was just "us" were so special.

2 Corinthians 5 gives me so much strength because I know that God is a restorer.

"For we know that if our earthly house, this tent, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.... Therefore we are always confident and know that as long as we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord. For we live by faith, not by sight. We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord."

When I was awoken to hear of your passing, all I could say is "It was time". I am so thankful that as children of the most High God, we will see each other again...it's not good-bye - it's see you later!

With tears and a smile,

*Your grand-daughter
Bridgette (Williams) Heard*

Blessed are those that mourn, for they shall be comforted -Matthew 5:4

Bridgette Heard - January 07, 2015 at 02:17 PM

MA

God looked around his garden and He found an empty place. He then looked down upon this earth and saw your tired face.

He put his arms around you and lifted you to rest. God's garden must be beautiful He always takes the best.

He knew that you were suffering He knew you were in pain He knew that you would never get well on earth again.

He saw that the road was getting rough and the hills are hard to climb. So He closed your weary eyelids and whispered "Peace be thine".

It broke our hearts to lose you but you didn't go alone for part of us went with you that day that God called you home.

I love mom & miss you so much!

Marlo - February 09, 2015 at 03:48 PM