



## Mrs. Bernice (Faulkner) Byrd

April 24, 1931 - July 6, 2014

Mrs. Bernice Byrd, 83, of Peoria, IL passed away peacefully at 2:08 PM on Sunday, July 6, 2014 at Heddington Oaks, Nursing Home, West Peoria, IL.

Bernice was born on April 24, 1931 in Scott, MS to James and Beatrice (Jenkins) Faulkner, Sr. She married her lifelong partner, Jessie Henry Byrd.

Bernice leaves to cherish her most precious memories her loving family which includes four sons, Randy Byrd of Peoria, Jessie L. Byrd, Jr., of Los Angeles, CA, James M. Byrd of Peoria, Kenneth J. Byrd, Sr., of Duluth, GA and one step-son, Eddie Jackson of Peoria; five daughters, Betty (Reggie) Henry of Los Vegas, NV, Shirley Brown, Linda K. Byrd, Linda F. McBride and Pam Moton all of Peoria; three sisters, Annie Lou Scott, Dorothy Farmer and Ozella Faulkner all of Peoria; 39 grandchildren; 49 great grandchildren, 12 great-great grandchildren; and a host of nieces nephews, grand and great; other relatives and friends. She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one daughter; two grandchildren; four sisters and three brothers.

Bernice retired from Central Supply Processors at Methodist Hospital in September of 1992 after over 19 years of service. Bernice loved, loved her family. She was a faithful member of New Morning Star M.B. Church where funeral services will be held at 12 Noon on Monday, July 12, 2014 with a two hour visitation beginning at 10 AM. Pastor Cleveland Thomas, Sr., will officiate. Bernice will be laid to rest at Swan Lake Memory Gardens. Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [simonsmortuary.com](http://simonsmortuary.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 14. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

New Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church  
413 W. John H. Gwynn Jr. Avenue  
Peoria, IL 61605

## Funeral Service

JUL 14. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Peoria, IL 61605

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Bernice (Faulkner) Byrd*



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**Simons Mortuary** - July 12, 2014 at 02:38 PM



“ *Mrs. Bernice (Faulkner) Byrd*

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January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mrs. Bernice (Faulkner) Byrd*

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January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *Tamara Im praying for you and your family. You're grandma was a God fearing woman. So you already know she's in God's hand. May ask God bring comfort during this time.*

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**Lisa Funchess** - July 12, 2014 at 12:47 AM