



## Mrs. Bertha Lee Williams

July 14, 1933 - April 3, 2019

Mother Bertha Lee Williams, 85, of Peoria, IL peacefully transitioned to her heavenly home at 4:10 AM on Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at her residence surrounded by her family.

Mother Williams was born on July 14, 1933 in Homer, Louisiana to Will and Erma (Lawhorne) Morris. She retired from the YWCA as a Nutrition Manager after many years of service. Mother Williams was a faithful member of Star of Hope Full Gospel Baptist Church where she served on the Mother's Board and Usher Board. She was also a long-time member of the United Usher Board. She had a great love for the United Usher board because as she would say, "they worked together to provide funds for our local children to get a college education."

Mother Williams leaves to cherish her most precious memories her loving and devoted family; one daughter, Rose (Pastor Thurston L., Sr.) Hunt and one son, Dwayne (Jeneen) Williams all of Peoria; four sisters, Irma Funches and Christell Morris both of Peoria, Jessie Mae Ferrell of Homer, LA and Vastie Phillips of Houston, TX; three grandchildren; Constance Hunt, Kobe Williams and Kylee Williams; and a host of nieces, nephews other relatives and her Star of Hope Church family. She was preceded in death by her parents; three brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services will be held at 10 AM on Saturday, April 13, 2019 At New Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church with a visitation beginning at 9 AM. The host Pastor is Rev. Cleveland Thomas, Sr., The officiant and eulogist will

be Bishop Joseph Johnson. Mother Williams will be laid to rest at Lutheran Cemetery. Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [simonsmortuary.com](http://simonsmortuary.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Lutheran Cemetery

914 S Pleasant St  
Peoria, IL 61604-5954

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 13. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

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

## Funeral Service

APR 13. 10:00 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Bertha Lee Williams*



Simons Mortuary - April 12, 2019 at 04:38 PM

RM

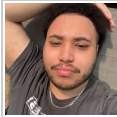
*Sleep Peacefully 🕊️  
Mrs. Bertha Sending my condolences to the family 🌹❤️🕊️*

Roxanne McGhee - April 13, 2019 at 05:42 PM

JB

*Beautiful ❤️*

Joanie Brown - April 14, 2019 at 12:35 PM



*I love you Granny! Forever will miss you. ❤️*

Kobe Kobe - October 21, 2020 at 01:29 AM



“ *Mrs. Bertha Lee Williams*

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mrs. Bertha Lee Williams*

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ Sending my love to my second mom (Ms Rose) and to my bff Constance. Ya'll are in my prayers and grandma will be missed. I remember when I first met her with me and the kids, she fell in love with my son and every time he went with Constance, she gave him all her candy. Haven't seen he in awhile but always asked about her and she will be forever in my heart

Pamala Goings - April 16, 2019 at 08:27 PM



“ Pamala Goings sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Bertha Lee Williams



Pamala Goings - April 16, 2019 at 08:23 PM



“ Dwayne & Rosemary, God be with you always. Mother Williams will be missed.



Nancy Jackson and family - April 13, 2019 at 12:56 AM



“ Bertha was a true woman of God. I knew her for many years & will always remember her smile & laughter. To her family keep your hands in God's unchanging hand.



evelyn tate clayton - April 12, 2019 at 12:11 AM

LS

“ Love, Pastor Al & First Lady Constance Shuler purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Bertha Lee Williams.



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**Love, Pastor Al & First Lady Constance Shuler** - April 11, 2019 at 09:24 PM

JS

“ Ms. Bert, and my father could break up a church service, with their laughter, and ribbing of each other. She was quick on the comebacks, just like daddy was. It was always a joy to be around ms. Bert, and she kept you laughing. I bet it is howdy howdy in heaven right now, with ms. Bert and TC going at it again.



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**Jai Sturdivant** - April 11, 2019 at 07:22 PM

LF

“ SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS!!!! GOD BLESS ALL

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**Lynda Jones & FAMILY** - April 11, 2019 at 04:23 PM

AM

“ Lady Rose: My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family....With Love Ann

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**Ann March** - April 11, 2019 at 03:55 PM

MJ

“ One of the most beautiful spirits in this world! I love the fact that she loved everyone that she met. Always called me her baby. I prayers go out to Rosemary and Dwayne and the rest of the family. May God comfort you all. God bless you all and I love you all!

*Marcellus Jordan*

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**Marcellus Jordan** - April 10, 2019 at 02:10 PM

MR

“ *Mattie Risby sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Bertha Lee Williams*



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**Mattie Risby** - April 10, 2019 at 12:07 PM

AA

“ *Dwayne and Rosemary - Our love goes out to you and your families.  
We are deeply saddened to hear of Aunt Bert's passing.  
Words cannot express how much we sympathize with you in this time of sorrow.*

*Ashanti and London Allen*

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**Ashanti and London Allen** - April 08, 2019 at 04:54 PM

AA

“ Rosemary and Dwayne,  
We are deeply saddened by the loss of Aunt Bert and the sorry your families must be feeling. Our hearts go out to you during this trying time. May our prayers serve as comfort to you and your love ones. And may her soul rest in Heaven.

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**Alyce, Ashanti, London, & Jesse Allen** - April 08, 2019 at 04:44 PM

MH

“ The Saturday before your transition Dwayne, Pastor Frances and I had a mini concert of all your favorite songs. I love and miss you.

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**Mendy Hughes** - April 08, 2019 at 03:16 PM

JB

“ Joanie Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Bertha Lee Williams



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**Joanie Brown** - April 07, 2019 at 10:17 PM

RM

“ Rosemary and Dwayne and family we are so sorry, for your loss, we are praying for you all, we have known and loved Bertha for a long time, Mrs. Adell Gordon and Family

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**Rochelle Moore** - April 06, 2019 at 07:38 AM

ON

“ Family of Ms.Bertha , I fellowshipped with you ALL mom, grandma,and love one. I loved Ms.Bertha granddaughter about 3or 4 use to Praise the Lord with me and get slain in the spirit too with me , I am praying for you all

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**Ophelia Neal** - April 05, 2019 at 07:09 PM

KA

“ Karen Ashby sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Bertha Lee Williams



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**Karen Ashby** - April 05, 2019 at 06:34 PM