



## Mrs. Betty Mae Williams

December 29, 1935 - August 15, 2022

Mrs. Betty Mae Williams, age 86, of Peoria, IL, transitioned from this earthly life to her heavenly home at 8:06 am on Monday, August 15, 2022 surrounded by her family at her residence.

Betty was born on December 29, 1935 in Tiptonville, Tennessee to Abraham, Sr. and Mattie (Martin) Douglas. She was united in marriage to Robert "Slim" Williams. They shared a loving and devoted life together for 11 years until his death.

Betty was employed by PCCEO as a Foster Grandparent. Betty confessed her life in Christ at an early age and became a member of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor George Lobdell. She later joined Grace Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Pastor Jeffrey Ivory, Sr. and the current Pastor Claude White, Jr. where she served as an usher and on the United Usher Board of Peoria, IL.

Betty leaves to cherish her most precious memories three sons, Thomas Douglas, Michael Douglas and Carlos (Sandra) Brown, Sr.; four daughters, Mattie Risby, Delois Williams, Frances Williams and Carolyn Jones; two adopted sons, Sylvester Brown and Tyquan Williams; one grandson whom she raised, Eric (Sharlean) Griffin; one adopted daughter, Rita (Spencer) Gibson all of Peoria, IL; three brothers, James Douglas, Raymond Douglas

both of Peoria, IL and Gregory Jones of St. Louis, MO; two sisters, Joy Farmer and Bertha (David) Henderson both of Peoria, IL; 30 grandchildren; 89 great grandchildren; 11 great-great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends who loved her. She is preceded in death by her parents; husband; step father, Daniel Farmer; one son, Jones Douglas; five brothers, Robert Douglas, Gregory Farmer, Abraham Douglas, Jr. Jimmy Douglas and Roy Farmer; three sisters, Elizabeth Miles, Bertha Douglas and Florence Douglas and one granddaughter, Gabriel Douglas, one great grandson, Rayton Brock; and one nephew, Anthony Douglas.

Funeral services will be held at 11 am on Saturday, August 27, 2022 at Grace Baptist Church with a visitation beginning at 10 am. Pastor Claude White, Jr., will officiate.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [SimonsMortuary.com](https://www.SimonsMortuary.com).

The service will be live streamed on Simons Mortuary's Website or Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Simons-Mortuary-232095303487150> promptly AT THE TIME OF THE SERVICE (Central Time).

Due to Covid-19, social distancing is encouraged to be consistent with recommendations from the National Funeral Directors Association (NFDA), funeral home directors have been instructed and should follow CDC guidelines on gatherings, including those directly related to funerals, visitations, or graveside services.

\*In an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, we ask that everyone in attendance: wear a face mask and refrain from hugging, kissing and shaking hands (as hard as it is to see someone you care about and not touch them).

\*It is our responsibility as Funeral Directors, to do everything we can to advise families in order to honor our beloved Families and to keep everyone as safe as possible.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation!



# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Grace Baptist Church  
405 N. Richard Pryor Place  
Peoria, IL 61605

## Funeral Service

AUG 27. 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM (CT)

Grace Baptist Church  
405 N. Richard Pryor Place  
Peoria, IL 61605

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Betty Mae Williams*



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**Simons Mortuary** - September 01, 2022 at 03:48 PM



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**Simons Mortuary** - August 26, 2022 at 01:47 PM

SF

*Mattie and family I'm with you in the home going of you all mother Mrs. Betty today prayers to you all*

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**Stine friend of the family** - August 27, 2022 at 11:18 AM

BA

*Sorry for your loss Betty was truly a beautiful person gonna miss her and Jones.*

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**Brenda Albert** - September 15, 2022 at 10:51 PM



“ Mrs. Betty Mae Williams

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ Mrs. Betty Mae Williams

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ Mancy Pittman lit a candle in memory of Betty Williams



Mancy Pittman - October 11, 2022 at 12:44 PM



“ Katrina Moore lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Mae Williams



Katrina Moore - August 31, 2022 at 04:29 PM



“ My Heartfelt Condolences To The Entire Family Love You All. Mrs Betty You'll Forever Be Missed. RIH GBNF 💖💔🕊️

Joanie Brown - August 27, 2022 at 12:41 PM

RN

“ Rufus & Kim Nelson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Mae Williams



Rufus & Kim Nelson - August 27, 2022 at 10:31 AM

LF

“ Linda Faulkner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Mae Williams



Linda Faulkner - August 27, 2022 at 09:59 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Betty Mae Williams.



August 25, 2022 at 03:32 PM

AL

“ Annette Lucy lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Mae Williams



Annette Lucy - August 25, 2022 at 01:06 PM

MD

“ To The Family Betty Williams




*Who could find a Mother N Law of virtue and would speak their own mind all the time. Mom Betty was fun, loving and had a contagious smile! We spoke in private many times and she encouraged me to be patient with her son, Jones L Douglas, Sr. and what ever you do; "Don't leave my son!" She would always encourage me when she saw me looking down and out. I assisted Mom Betty with her doctor appointments and while in the hospital and she treated me with the utmost respect and let me know I was not a daughter n law, but her daughter and she treated me as such. I enjoyed helping to assist when she first found out of her illness and I would do it again if given the chance. It is hard to believe she and Jones are gone, but never forgotten. I reflect on June14, 2015 the day I married Jones and she stated again, "You accepted the marriage proposal so whatever happens pray and work on your marriage no matter what happens and that was the best advice she and my mom could have ever given the both of us. We loved each other with a love that no one could ever change or touch.*

*I love you Mom Betty! I Light this candle for love and memory of you!*

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**M Douglas** - August 24, 2022 at 01:03 PM

  
Barbara  
Vinson

“ *To The Family and Friends of Mother Betty Williams:*

*"Blessed are that mourn: for they shall be comforted".. Amen.*

*I will forever cherish my memories of Mother Betty coming to the beauty shop to get her hair done on Saturday, and when I would see her in church on Sunday morning, her hair would still be looking nice! Rest In Perfect Peace...*



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**Barbara Vinson** - August 19, 2022 at 11:32 PM

EE

“ *Earl & Essie Ellis Jr.*

*Condolences to the family*



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**Earl & Essie Ellis** - August 19, 2022 at 10:13 PM

CJ

*Thank you*

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**Carolyn Jones** - August 25, 2022 at 01:30 AM

EL

“ *A special condolence to the family of Mother Betty Williams. A lifelong dedicated and faithful Christian, Mother Betty Williams will be missed by her family and friends.*



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**Ella Lee** - August 19, 2022 at 01:43 AM

CJ

*Thank you*

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**Carolyn Jones** - August 25, 2022 at 01:30 AM

EL

“ Elaine lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Mae Williams



Elaine - August 18, 2022 at 09:56 PM

MC

“ I KNOW THE ANGELS ARE REJOICES BECAUSE THE PAIN IS OVER U R MADE OVER GOD IS PLEASED YOU EARNED YOUR WINGS A LONG TIME AGO I WILL MISS SEEING YOUR FACE TAKE YOUR REST....CONDOLENCES TO THE ENTIRE FAMILY HUGS TO ALL

Maxine Clash - August 18, 2022 at 07:30 PM

VK

“ To the Williams & Douglas Family - Sis. Betty was a devoted & loyal servant to her church, her ministry, her family & God. I've known her since Taft Homes. She will be fondly remembered by me. May God be your leaning post, as you contend with your loss.



Vickie Kingcade-King - August 18, 2022 at 07:08 PM

RF

“ Rena Webster Horton & Family 🙏🦋💜 lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Mae Williams



Rena Webster Horton & Family 🙏🦋💜 - August 18, 2022 at 06:16 PM

LS

“Condolences” to the family of Mrs Betty Mae Williams”



Loretta Simpson - August 18, 2022 at 12:28 PM

SY

Sylvestine lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Mae Williams



Sylvestine - August 17, 2022 at 11:24 PM

CS

The Martin, Douglas, Taylor, Samuels and many others who come from this particular Tribe as lost our oldest family member. Betty was a mother, a grandmother, niece, a cousin and so much more. To all of us who encountered her in our lives. To her children and my cousins; your loss is deep, but within that loss every day you gain a new memory. Betty and I served back in the day on United Usher Board and devotion to Christian service was always available. So, hold your chin up and thank God for every blessed day you had with her. I'll miss her.

Cousin Richard Zakeaauss Samuels - August 17, 2022 at 08:02 PM

KA

“ Karen Ashby sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Betty Mae Williams



Karen Ashby - August 17, 2022 at 05:41 PM

CL

“ RIP Mother Betty! You will truly be missed! We love you! To the Williams, Brown and Douglas family, my condolences and love to you all!



Carolyn Lobdell - August 17, 2022 at 03:33 AM

ZB

“ Zerlyna Burse-Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Mae Williams



Zerlyna Burse-Taylor - August 16, 2022 at 11:29 PM

CW

“ Betty & I worked together at Cannon's store on McArthur St. She was always so pleasant & we had so many fun times together. Wow! I'm gonna really miss her. Sending love & condolences to her loving family whom she loved dearly!



Catherine Randle Watson - August 16, 2022 at 03:47 PM