



Mrs. Martha Louise Rudd

March 19, 1930 - December 18, 2018

Mrs. Martha Louise Rudd, 88 of Peoria, IL transitioned from this life to her heavenly home at 8:17 pm on Tuesday, December 18, 2018 at OSF Richard L. Owens Hospice Home surrounded by her family.

Martha was born on March 19, 1930 in Memphis, TN to Jennie Dewitte (Edgerton) Pryor and James Lee Jackson. She was a 1948 graduate of Woodruff High School. Martha married the love of her life, Fred Marcellus Rudd on January 2, 1949 and to that union 10 children were born. They were married 65 years at the time of his death on March 20, 2014.

Martha worked at the U. S. Post Office for a number of years before going to Caterpillar where she later retired in 1990 after 19 years of service. After retiring she worked part-time for Senior Strength Agency of Peoria. She also graduated from Illinois Central College with an Associates Degree in Business while maintaining a 4.0 grade point average and Dean's List status. Martha was a faithful and long-time member of Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church where she served on deaconess board, choir and women's auxiliary under the leadership of Pastor Alphonso Lyons, Jr. She enjoyed bowling earlier in her life and solving crossword puzzles. She loved playing bid wiz and spending time with her family.

Martha leaves to cherish her most precious memories eight daughters, Linda Turner, Brenda Cayson, Marcia (Lee) Lowe, Theresa (Kenneth) Gloster and Vanessa Peters all of Peoria, Pamela (Kenneth) Washington of DeSoto, TX, Sharon (Michael) Collins of Henderson, NV and Laurie (Lloyd) Thompson of

Matteson, IL; two sons, Fred (Tamika) Rudd, III and Frank (Brenda) Rudd both of Peoria; 21 grandchildren; 29 great grandchildren; 4 great-greatgrandchildren; a special cousin, Charlie (Loretta) Simpson; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. She is also preceded in death by her parents; one son, James L. Rudd; one grandson Willie Riley and one great granddaughter, Ke'Ashia Edwards.

Funeral services will be held at 11 am on Saturday, December 22, 2018 at Mt. Zion M. B. Church with a visitation beginning at 10 am. Pastor Alphonso Lyons, Jr., will officiate. Martha will be laid to rest at Camp Butler National Cemetery along side her husband, Fred Rudd.

Memorials may be made to Mt. Zion M. B. Church.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at SimonsMortuary.com.

Cemetery Details

Camp Butler National Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **22**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church
305 S. MADISON PARK TERRACE
Peoria, IL 61605
(309) 674-4379

Funeral Service

DEC **22**. 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Martha Louise Rudd*



Simons Mortuary - December 22, 2018 at 12:57 PM



“ *Mrs. Martha Louise Rudd*

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mrs. Martha Louise Rudd*

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *I miss you so much mamma! I have so many pictures of you and I just thought I would share. Tell daddy and everyone else hi and I miss them all. Continue to rest well mamma. Love you forever, Sharon*



Sharon Rudd-Collins - July 21, 2020 at 08:02 PM

TP

“ To the Rudd Family sorry for your loss and may God's Angel's Wings wrap around you all and bring you all comfort during this time of sorrow!! R.I.P. Mrs. Rudd



The Linwood Family, Peoria,IL. - December 27, 2018 at 04:22 PM



“ My condolences to the Rudd family. Sorry for the loss of your beautiful Mom. RIP...💕

Kim Furness - December 23, 2018 at 01:38 PM

MW

“ May Christ keep his arm of grace and mercy around your family. A mother's love and memories are Unforgettable. Love and prayers to the Rudd family



Marc & Becky Welch

marc welch - December 22, 2018 at 08:45 PM

MY

“ I want you to know each of you are held close in heart and wished comfort in the days that come. I too shall chersish the memories your mom has given.

With caring thoughts,

Marsha Yvonne - December 22, 2018 at 07:06 AM

JB

“ *Joanie Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Martha Louise Rudd*



Joanie Brown - December 22, 2018 at 12:40 AM

LR

“ *Sending heart condolences* 🙏



leslie robinson - December 21, 2018 at 07:39 PM

HH

“ *Every year my family traveled from Dallas to unite with our Peoria family. Freddy and Martha presented a beautiful picture of love and marriage. Aunt Martha had a joyful spirit. I celebrate her spirit and the love her children have shared with her over the years.*

henry howard - December 21, 2018 at 06:18 PM

TW

“ *Beautiful lady inside and out. Rest in the arms of God*



Theresa Walker - December 21, 2018 at 12:57 PM

TW

“ Beautiful Lady with a Beautiful smile. Rest on in the arms of God.



Theresa Walker - December 21, 2018 at 12:55 PM

LD

“ You will truly be missed and the one thing that I have missed was playing Bid Whist against you and Rosie. I looked forward to the family reunion every year to play Bid Whist because you two ladies were a team to beat and it was hard sometimes. Love you Martha, RIH❤️

Lynette (Nettie) Dilbert - December 21, 2018 at 12:12 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Martha Louise Rudd.



December 21, 2018 at 10:35 AM

BF

“ Sharon, Mike & family, So sorry for your loss. We will keep your family lifted up in prayer. My condolences to the rest of your family. Just know that your mom is happy again, being with the love of her life. God bless you all.

Brenda Harper & family - December 21, 2018 at 12:53 AM

TW

“ Whenever i would visit the nursing home. Mrs Rudd would be out in the area with the other residents. I would always loved to say hi. She has such an beautiful, beautiful smile that i ever seen . Wow ! I know she's glowing even more now with Mr. Rudd and our Heavily Father !!



Theresa Walker - December 20, 2018 at 11:24 PM

JJ

“ Joan Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha Louise Rudd



Joan Jackson - December 20, 2018 at 08:13 PM

OT

“ Condolences to the family of Martha Rudd. She raised a wonderful family. God bless the family. She will be remember.

Oley Turner

Oley Turner - December 20, 2018 at 03:10 PM

Barbara
Vinson

“ Barbara Vinson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha Louise Rudd



Barbara Vinson - December 20, 2018 at 12:27 PM

VK

“ To The Rudd Family - You have my deepest sympathy for the loss of your loved one. Another good & faithful servant has gone on to claim her reward. May God bless, comfort & keep you during your time of sorrow. She will be greatly missed & fondly remembered.



Vickie King - December 20, 2018 at 11:54 AM

FH

“ Frederick Hayes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha Louise Rudd



Frederick Hayes - December 20, 2018 at 09:10 AM

AC

“ Sorry for your loss.
From the Crooks Family



Anita Crooks - December 20, 2018 at 03:41 AM

PF

“ To my Rudd family, may the Peace of God be with you all during your time of bereavement.. Lean on your Heavenly Father for comfort and love. He will, fill that void in your heart. Love you all.

Pamela Farmer - December 20, 2018 at 12:15 AM



“ *I know your heart is aching & I am truly sorry for your loss. My condolences & praying for the family*



Evelyn Tate-Clayton - December 19, 2018 at 10:24 PM



“ *SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS!*

Lynda Jones - December 19, 2018 at 04:37 PM



“ *Curtis Shumate And Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha Louise Rudd*



Curtis shumate and family - December 19, 2018 at 02:38 PM



I am so sorry for your loss, the short time I knew Mrs. Rudd I just loved her she was the most kindest, sweetest lady I have ever came across...of you all need anything I'm here, much love to you all

La Sharla Parker - December 19, 2018 at 10:33 PM



To the family - I am greatly saddened by the passing of Mrs, Rudd. I am so sorry for the deep loss you are feeling. I will always remember her beautiful smile. My prayer for you is that God will continue to comfort you with fond memories and that He will grant you inner peace during this difficult time and beyond,

Beverly L. Nance - December 20, 2018 at 02:16 PM



This lady is a true model of unconditional love and acceptance and I'm a better person for having been a presence in her life. RIH Mama Rudd!

Vanessa Peters - December 20, 2018 at 08:40 PM