



## Mrs. Queen Esther Pate

September 8, 1934 - November 20, 2020

Mother Queen Esther (Neal) Pate, 86, of Peoria, IL transitioned peacefully at 5:27 am on Friday, November 20, 2020 at OSF St. Francis Medical Center. Queen known to those who loved her dearly as “Queenie” was born on September 8, 1934 in Brooksville, MS to Ed and Molly (Sheridan) Neal. She was raised in Arkansas and later moved to McKenzie, TN where she later met the love of her life and soulmate Willie B. Pate. They married in 1954 and enjoyed a loving marriage until his passing in 2009. She later moved to Chicago, IL, then Bloomington, IL and finally resided in Peoria, IL. Queen was employed at OSF St. Francis Medical Center in Housekeeping for over 30 years retiring on August 20, 2008. Mother Pate was a beautiful soul to many in the community. She cherished her family dearly and loved to worship the lord.

Queen leaves to cherish her most precious memory three sons, Conzelouis (Cindy) Pate of Bloomington, IL, Willie Pate, Jr. and Jimmy Pate both of Peoria, IL; two daughters, Louise (JL) Houston and Hattie “Penny” Pate both of Peoria 25 grandchildren, 66 great grandchildren, 28 great greatgrandchildren, a special niece, Dorothy Boyd and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends. She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband; five sons, Benny and Sammy Bowden, Otis, Robert and Hamilton Pate; one daughter, Luetha Pate; 3 brothers, John Dee, Sammie Day and Harrison “RC” Neal; 4 sisters, Georgia May, Mary Johnson, Anne Bea Young and Gracie Chalk; 1 grandson, Jimmy Cory Wadlington and 1 granddaughter

and 2 great grandchildren, Terrell Joseph and Kaitlyn Pate.

A private funeral service will be held at 11 am on Friday, December 4, 2020 at Faith Tabernacle C.O.G.I.C. with a visitation beginning at 10 am. Elder Felton Beck, Jr. will bring words of comfort. Queen will be laid to rest at Parkview Cemetery.

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

The funeral 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.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, social distancing and attendance limits will be observed.

In accordance with the Illinois Department of Public Health, Funerals are limited to 10 family members of the decedents, not including the staff.

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. Funerals are limited to no more than 10 of the decedent's immediate family members.

\*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 a 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. The chapel can socially distance and seat no more than 10 or less people. All others will be able to flow through prior to beginning of the service.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

# Cemetery Details

## Parkview Cemetery

2001 N University St  
Peoria, IL 61604  
(309) 688-0733

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Faith Tabernacle C.O.G.I.C.  
3331 N. Finnell St.  
Peoria, IL 61603  
(309) 686-0323  
info@faithtabcogic.org  
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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Queen Esther Pate* ”



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**Simons Mortuary** - January 12, 2021 at 02:31 PM



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**Simons Mortuary** - December 03, 2020 at 07:43 PM

LH

*BEAUTIFUL*

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**Louise Houston** - December 04, 2020 at 05:41 AM

JC

*Beautiful*

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**Jessie Copeland** - December 04, 2020 at 09:09 AM

LI

*I miss you grandma n*

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**Linda** - December 04, 2020 at 10:37 AM

KJ

*MY CONDOLENCES TO THE PATE FAMILY.*

**Karen D Jackson** - December 04, 2020 at 08:37 PM

MP

*Our Queen of the Pate Family Grandma I Miss you Deeply. So Much*

**Marvina pate** - April 17, 2021 at 11:15 AM



“ *Mrs. Queen Esther Pate*

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mrs. Queen Esther Pate*

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM

BI

“ *Sincere condolences to the family of Mrs. Queen Esther Pate. May God be with you all in your time of sorrow. R. I.P. Mrs. Queen Esther Pate* 🕊️



**Brenda J. Idreez** - December 08, 2020 at 01:33 AM

LI

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



**Linda** - December 04, 2020 at 09:50 AM



“ Evelyn Tate-Clayton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Queen Esther Pate



Evelyn Tate-Clayton - December 03, 2020 at 08:45 PM



“ I MISS YOU MOM AND I LOVE YOU...RIP



Louise Houston - December 03, 2020 at 09:15 AM



“ My heart 💕 and prayers go out to family and friends in Jesus name amen May the grace of our Lord and savior Jesus Christ be with you all amen



Dorotha Williams - December 02, 2020 at 01:16 AM



“ Danielle Pate lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Queen Esther Pate



Danielle Pate - December 01, 2020 at 12:11 PM

SJ

“ SADIE JONES lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Queen Esther Pate



SADIE JONES - November 30, 2020 at 06:44 PM

KA

“ Fly High Auntie...



Kashia - November 27, 2020 at 09:52 AM

RP

“ To the Pate Family sorry for your loss and May God's Angel's Wings spread around you all and bring you all comfort during this time of sorrow!! R.I.P. Ms. Queen!!



Renee Linwood Peoria,IL. - November 25, 2020 at 10:02 AM

MP

“ Mancy Pittman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Queen Esther Pate



Mancy Pittman - November 25, 2020 at 01:30 AM

KJ

*SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS. KAREN DJACKSON.*

**Karen D Jackson** - November 27, 2020 at 11:20 AM



“ *May you RIP with all your loved ones...miss you Grandma.*

**Tracy Lee** - November 24, 2020 at 07:15 PM

AN

“ *Anjibond lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Queen Esther Pate*



**anjibond** - November 22, 2020 at 03:41 AM

KJ

*MISS YOU MS. QUEEN. RIH*

**Karen D Jackson** - November 27, 2020 at 01:57 PM