



Bertha Inez Wiley

September 27, 1931 - August 23, 2022

Bertha Inez Coleman Wiley, entered into eternal life on Tuesday, August 23, 2022, at the age of 90. She was born on September 27, 1931 in Norfolk, VA to the late Prince Edward and Viola Frances Coleman. She was the seventh of eight children. She was preceded in death by her siblings, Prince Edward, Viola, Herman, Leonard, Jean, Stella, and Oswald and a daughter-in-law Emmy.

Bertha graduated from Booker T. Washington High School in Norfolk, VA and she received a certificate as a seamstress from Norfolk State College (University). Mothers in the neighborhood would come to her and have her make Easter outfits for their daughters and she made sure her nieces benefited from her well-made and beautiful outfits as well. She worked for many years at Be-Lo Supermarket as a cashier and handled the delivery of store supplies.

Even though she preferred to keep to herself, she did enjoy daily walks around Booker T. Washington High School with her friend Marion Boyd. Until her decline in health, she attended St. John's A.M.E. Church in Norfolk.

Bertha was well known and respected in Tidewater Park. When walking down the street, someone would always shout "Hey, Ms. Bertha!" While at home, she spent her time gardening, sewing, making quilts, and crocheting afghans.

She put love into making quilts and blankets for her loved ones. She was also known and loved for her sweet potato pies, potato salad and homemade rolls. She volunteered at the Charlotte Street Recreation Center where she made adult bibs for several nursing homes. She also made cheerleader uniforms for a group of cheerleaders in Tidewater Park.

Bertha Wiley made sure her sons read books during the summer. She and her sons would walk from Tidewater Park to the library on Brambleton and Park Avenue. They would participate in the summer reading program for several years and Larry and Grant would often win first and second place. She was a registered voter and voted in every election and instilled in her children to do the same.

Bertha leaves to cherish her memory her four children; Larry (Angela), Grant Jr., Wayne (Angelina) and Regina; six grandchildren, seven great grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, and other family and friends. She will be missed by all.

Cemetery Details

Roosevelt Memorial Park

1101 Campostella Road
Chesapeake, Va

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 31. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
1248 N. George Washington Hwy.
Chesapeake, VA 23323
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Service

SEP 1. 12:00 PM (ET)

New Hope Baptist Church (St. Julian Creek)
1317 Gust Lane
Chesapeake, VA

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Bertha Inez Wiley



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - September 01, 2022 at 06:44 PM

MH

May God continue to give you comfort today and the days to come.

Min.Margaret Hill - September 01, 2022 at 11:08 PM

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“ Sending love to my family and sharing my childhood memory of the beautiful doilies Aunt Bertha displayed in her home. Everything had its place. ❤️ Tonya

Tonya Trim - August 31, 2022 at 08:44 PM

JF

Regina Beverly and I are there in spirit. Know that we love and we are praying for you and your family. Joni Fagan & Beverly Munn. 💕

JoAnn Fagan - September 01, 2022 at 07:00 AM

JF

“ Please accept our heartfelt condolences and continued prayers for the Wiley family. May God continue to bless and keep you in the days to come.

Minister Jonathan, Norma & Alexia Foster

Jonathan Foster - August 31, 2022 at 04:47 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Bertha Inez Wiley.*



August 31, 2022 at 02:59 PM



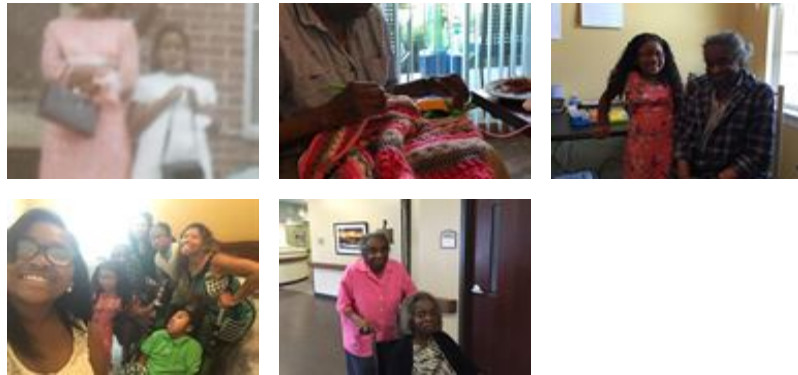
“ *Noreda purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Bertha Inez Wiley.*



Noreda - August 31, 2022 at 02:08 PM



“ *32 files added to the album Life Tributes*



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - August 31, 2022 at 12:48 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bertha Inez Wiley.*



August 29, 2022 at 08:07 PM



“ *May the blessings of memories soothe the thoughts and spirits of all who so dearly loved Mother Bertha Wiley*



Rev Joyce Foster - August 28, 2022 at 04:12 PM