



Catherine R. Ward

September 3, 1925 - January 9, 2010

On Saturday, January 9, 2010 at her home in Chesapeake, Virginia. Catherine Rodgers Ward answered the call and went home quietly to be with the Lord. She was born, September 3, 1925 in Portsmouth, Virginia to the Late Isaiah and Ethel Rodgers. She was a dedicated member of Union Bethel COGIC, Portsmouth, Virginia for more than 40 years where she was an Evangelist Missionary, Coordinator of the Prayer Line Ministry and a member of other church organizations and activities.

She was predeceased by her husband of 50 years, Elder Aaron Ward. Catherine R. Ward "Mama" leaves to cherish her memory two daughters, Earnestine Spires (Eugene) of Glen Burnie, Maryland and Dr. Robert Ward (Mary) of Laurel, Maryland; Supt. Irvin Ward (Barbara) of Lynchburg, Virginia and Doris Benson (Louis) of Chesapeake, Virginia. She leaves to treasure seven grandchildren; thirteen great grandchildren; sixteen great-great grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, one brother-in-law, James Ward, relatives and friends.

The family will receive friends at Union Bethel COGIC, 3223 Airline Blvd., Portsmouth, Virginia on Thursday from 5 pm to 7 pm. A life celebration service will be conducted Friday, January 15, 12 noon at Cathedral of Faith COGIC, host pastor, Dr. G. Wesley Hardy with the Supt. I. L. Ward, Sr. officiating. Burial will follow in Greenlawn Memorial Gardens.

Condolences may be offered to the family at www.jtfisherfuneralservices.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **14**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Union Bethel COGIC
3223 Airline Blvd
Portsmouth, VA

Service

JAN **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Cathedral of Faith COGIC
2020 Portlock Road
Chesapeake, VA

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Catherine R. Ward

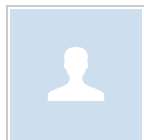


J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - January 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ I have many interesting memories of Mrs. Ward. I'm sad that she is gone now, but I am also glad, because although she is no longer living here on earth she is alive & well in heaven.
T my step-mom Doris: I watched you take care of your mother for nearly 7 years & I just want you to know that you did an excellent job.##imported-begin##Lucinda Benson ##imported-end##

January 20, 2010 at 09:11 PM



“ i WISH TO OFFER MY HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY. I DID NOT HAVE THE HONOR OF MEETING YOUR LOVED ONE, BUT I KNEW OF HER THROUGH MY MOTHER-IN-LAW (MARY STOVALL) AND ANOTHER CARGIVER (ELAINE HALL). PLEASE KNOW THAT GOD WILL ALWAYS BE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY IN THE DAYS TO COME AND WILL OFFER YOU THE COMFORT AND PEACE THAT YOU DESERVE. I WILL KEEP THE FAMILY UPLIFTED IN PRAYER.##imported-begin##TJ Brayboy (Mary Stovall's Daughter-In-Law/Maryland)##imported-end##

January 15, 2010 at 08:23 AM



“ To Doris, Robert, Earnestine & Irvin:

We greatly regret hearing of the loss of your mother, Mrs. Catherine Ward.

We rejoice that we know she is now with the LORD because she was a great, serious, friendly and loving Christian lady. We remember the fun times we shared growing up together.

We recall the loving care your mother and your family gave to Mrs. Rodgers, her mother and your grandmother. Mrs. Rodgers was such a fun loving and happy Christian lady to be around because she made us laugh.

We also recall the dedication of your father we honorably called "Rev. Ward" even though you addressed him as Elder Ward. We are blessed because of their Godly lives and you are greatly blessed for the loving care given to the longevity of Mrs. Catherine's life.

We know God is with you and we pray He will continue to strengthen and bless you in Jesus name.

Our love,

Sis (Ada), Mrs. Josie, Edward, Ralph and Families##imported-begin##Walter & Ada Fairley & The Throckmorton Families##imported-end##

January 14, 2010 at 03:51 PM



“ *May the Lord bless and keep you in your hour of sorrow. Mrs. Ward will be truly missed. she was a great mother and a pillow of the community. Her pain and suffering is no more, for she has gone home to be with the Lord.##imported-begin##Ralph & April Throckmorton##imported-end##*

January 13, 2010 at 01:30 PM



“ May the Lord be with the Ward Family You are in my prayers. Trust in the Lord and he will strengthen you in your time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Stephanie Barco##imported-end##

January 13, 2010 at 12:50 PM



“ I just want to offer my condolences to Mrs. Ward's family. Many years ago she and Ernestine got their hair done at my mom's and aunt's beauty salon in Portsmouth, Doe's and Dess. I was a lot younger then but I remember her well. You and your family are in our prayers. Janice and Sandra##imported-begin##Sandra Perkins Bishop##imported-end##

January 13, 2010 at 05:49 AM



“ The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away. Blessed be the name of the Lord Job 1:21##imported-begin##Vernon and Belinda Strayhorn Sr.##imported-end##

January 12, 2010 at 10:28 AM