



## Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey

June 25, 1946 - September 14, 2015

On September 14, 2015 around 7:00 am, Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey, made her transition from this world to her heavenly home. She was 69 years young. Jennie was born June 25, 1946, in Dunn, North Carolina to the late Geneva McNeil Bratcher and LeRoy Bratcher. She was predeceased by her oldest son Clifford Aaron Gainey Jr., husband Clifford Aaron Gainey Sr., and her great granddaughter Anaya Adams.

Jennie Gainey has been a part of the Portsmouth Public Schools family for many years. She has been a volunteer, a mentor, a teacher assistant, a PTA board member, a football booster, a band booster, a school mom, and a school grandmother to many. During her younger years she was the cheerleader coach for the Mighty Prentis Park Raiders, where she took very good care of the cheerleaders and the football team. She supplied them both with clean uniforms, full course meals, and unlimited snacks.

At her current position, at I.C. Norcom, Jennie was known as “Momma Gainey” or “Grandma Gainey”. She was known for her hugs and kisses that left red lipstick marks on everyone. She was also known to have an encouraging word for any and everyone who desired to listen. As you entered the doors of I. C. Norcom High School she would be the first person you would see waiting to greet you with a smile and a chipper Good Morning.

Left behind to cherish her memories are her:

Children: Clifton A. Gainey (Sherelle), Jacqueline M. Gainey, Clinton A. Gainey, Christopher A. Gainey (Sandy), Juliet G. Boykins (Carroll Jr.), Jennifer G. Powe (Casper), Anthony Horton, Charles Baylor; Grandchildren: Tiffany Shepard, Charles Gainey, Christopher Gainey (Shanel), Christal Gainey, Marquita Gainey, Jeanetta Gainey, Shamilya Gainey, C. Allen Boykins III, Darius Minnifield, Casper A. Powe Jr., J. Marie Boykins, Connor A. Powe, and Jenna M. Powe; Great-Grandchildren: Kaliyah Shepard, Kashauna Shepard, Ka'moni Shepard, Kennyon Shepard, Corbin Gainey, Carter Gainey, Chloe Gainey, Makiya Hawkins, and Carson A. Gainey.

Sisters: Dinah Sherrelle and Ernestine Matthis; Sister-in-Law: Viola Bratcher and Cathy McNeil

She also leaves to cherish her memory a host of nieces, nephews, devoted cousins, many friends and MANY adopted children and grandchildren.

# Cemetery Details

## Lincoln Cemetery

3901 Deep Creek Blvd  
Portsmouth, VA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 20. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services  
1248 N. George Washington Hwy.  
Chesapeake, VA 23323  
(757) 487-3700  
info@jtfisherfuneralservices.com  
<https://www.jtfisherfuneralservices.com>

## Service

SEP 21. 12:00 PM (ET)

Mount Lebanon Baptist Church  
884 Bells Mill Road  
Chesapeake, VA

# Tribute Wall

MO

“ You will be missed Aunt Mae. I will always love you. Love Sheree Bratcher.

Monica - September 22, 2015 at 05:15 PM

DF

“ Deloris Johnson And Family lit a candle in memory of Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey



Deloris Johnson and Family - September 21, 2015 at 09:27 PM

DF

To the Family, Hold on to God unchanging Hands. Find Strength in The Lord.

Deloris Johnson and Family - September 21, 2015 at 09:30 PM

DC

“ Diane Carmack lit a candle in memory of Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey



Diane Carmack - September 21, 2015 at 03:42 PM

CJ

“ Carolyn Johnson lit a candle in memory of Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey



Carolyn Johnson - September 21, 2015 at 09:36 AM

CJ

Condolences to the Gainey Family. Thank God for His peace, that passes all understanding.....His comfort, mercy and grace. Carolyn Johnson (former co-worker@ ICNHS).  
The Johnsons, Mike Terry, Rick, Rika

Carolyn Johnson - September 21, 2015 at 09:49 AM

RG

“ God love me so much that he gave me the pleasure of crossing paths with one of the greatest women around. My condolences to the Gainey family. She will be missed but certainly not forgotten. May God continue to bless you all and may Heaven always smile upon you.



Rhonda F. Griffin - September 20, 2015 at 10:54 PM

BF

“ Britton Family lit a candle in memory of Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey



Britton Family - September 20, 2015 at 09:35 PM

“ I was utterly in total disbelief and sadness , upon hearing the news of Ms. Jennie. Although I know that your mom was good and saved with a sweet spirit. And without a doubt, She is in heaven. She will be dearly missed by every living soul that she touched with her motherly spirit given by God. She comforted me when my daughter had her surgery. But this one thing I can say Biblical, I can speak with out doubt concerning God's word, concerning the death of his Children.

*I pray that I can comfort you with these scriptures.*

*Psalms 116 :15 (KJV) Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his Saints.*

*Romans 8:38-39 (KJV)*

*38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,  
39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

*2 Corinthians 5:7-8 (KJV)*

*7 (For we walk by faith, not by sight:)*

*8 We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.*

*TONY, JACKIE, JENNIFER, CLINTON, JULIETE and  
CHRISTOPHER,*

*Lamentations 3:32-33*

*32 But though he cause grief, yet will he have compassion according to the multitude of his mercies.*

*33 For he doth not afflict willingly nor grieve the children of men.*

*Ephesians 6:24(KJV)*

*24 Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity. Amen*

*Philippians 4:7 (KJV)*

*7 And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.*

*YOUR MOTHER'S WORK WAS FINISHED HERE, AND THE LORD HAS TAKEN HER FROM LABOR TO REWARD AND REST.*

*just a few scriptures. I pray your comfort. God's will, I will see you on Monday to celebrate your mom's legacy.*

*Eld. Michael Wright*

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**Elder Michael S. Wright** - September 20, 2015 at 09:20 PM



“ *Such a beautiful woman! Prayers for the family! Lov yal!* ”



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**Lisa Alexander** - September 20, 2015 at 05:56 PM

AB

“ *Angela Greene & ICN Alumni Marching Band lit a candle in memory of Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey* ”



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**Angela Greene & ICN Alumni Marching Band** - September 20, 2015 at 04:23 PM



“ *Our condolences to the Gainey family from the Smith family Teila,Roger, Ryan and HayDen.*



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**Roger Smith O??** - September 20, 2015 at 11:21 AM

AH

“ *Angela And Chloe House lit a candle in memory of Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey*



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**Angela and Chloe House** - September 20, 2015 at 06:04 AM

LI

“ *Lisathompson lit a candle in memory of Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey*



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**lisathompson** - September 18, 2015 at 05:39 PM

LI

“ *We pray 4 the family&send our condolences 2 the family.Rev&Mrs.James e.Thompson iii*

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**lisathompson** - September 18, 2015 at 05:38 PM

LI

“ She will be missed by all who she inspired n life- 2 give up on ur self.she was my bestfriend 4 5yrs now.we love u&missed u at Zion Bethel UCC...n portsmouth va

lisathompson - September 18, 2015 at 05:37 PM

LE

“ To the Gainey family,  
May you find comfort in knowing that your loved has taken her place with the Lord. Our prayers go out to you during your time of sorrow.

Jackie & Lutezenia Evans, Jacinta and RJ

Lutezenia Evans - September 18, 2015 at 02:41 PM



CR

“ C Rolack lit a candle in memory of Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey

C Rolack - September 18, 2015 at 02:27 PM



Elizabeth Hudson

“ Our prayers go out to the entire Gainey Family during this difficult time. Sorry for your loss.

Elizabeth Hudson - September 18, 2015 at 01:51 PM

TD

“ To the family of Ms. Gainey we first met when we took child development classes at TCC through PPS. She was a sweet Lady. Your family is my prayers.. Tammy Debnam Olive Branch Preschool.



tammy debnam - September 18, 2015 at 01:36 PM

CR

“ My deepest condolences to the Gainey family

Chris Rolack - September 18, 2015 at 11:25 AM

DS

“ My Condolences to the Gainey family



Delphine Shuler - September 18, 2015 at 10:21 AM

SE

“ Sis Jackie & Rev. Gino Evans lit a candle in memory of Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey



Sis Jackie & Rev. Gino Evans - September 18, 2015 at 09:22 AM

JA

“ I send my deepest and most heartfelt condolences to the family of "Momma Gainey". I am so honored that we had a chance to know her in this life. She was such a sweet spirited and beautiful woman. She had a smile that could not only light up a room but could uplift anyone's spirit. She always had a kind and encouraging word to give you. I am really going to miss her but Heaven has truly gained a TRUE ANGEL. I will continually be in prayer for the entire family. May God give you strength during this time. May he give you peace knowing that she is know with her Heavenly Father! R. I. H. - - Well done....

*Sis Jackie & Rev. Gino Evans*

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**Jackie** - September 18, 2015 at 09:02 AM

Joyce  
Moore-  
Howes

“ Joyce Moore-Howes lit a candle in memory of Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey



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**Joyce Moore-Howes** - September 17, 2015 at 11:51 PM



“ *Condolences to the Gainey family, on behalf of Mrs Beatrice Small and the entire Small family. We lift you in prayer to Him, Who is able to keep you and sustain you through the upcoming days and weeks, even through eternity. We love you and will miss her as we know many will.... Nelson*



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**Nelson Small** - September 17, 2015 at 02:23 PM

NP

“ *My deepest condolences to Juliet and the family. I'm praying for you all continuously...Nicole Papillion*



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**Nicole Papillion** - September 17, 2015 at 12:24 PM

DF

“ *Donna Quinerly And Family lit a candle in memory of Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey*



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**Donna Quinerly and Family** - September 17, 2015 at 07:39 AM

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“ Donna Quinerly And Family lit a candle in memory of Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey



Donna Quinerly and Family - September 17, 2015 at 07:38 AM

Susan Brown

“ Susan Brown lit a candle in memory of Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey



Susan Brown - September 16, 2015 at 07:01 PM

Susan Brown

“ It was a blessing for me to see you and my mom (Nancy) in church having fun praising the Lord. You were my second mom. You was a woman of goodness with a beautiful smile. Now you and my Mom can praise the Lord together in heaven now. Truly a woman of God. R.I.H

Susan Brown - September 16, 2015 at 07:00 PM

JB

“ There is no sorrow that heaven cannot heal. I will truly miss seeing your smile, getting my morning hug, and occasionally picking up an orange Fanta for you! My prayers are with the family, and I pray that God send his strength, peace, and comfort.

Jennelle M. Burden - September 16, 2015 at 05:19 PM

PM

“ *The God of all comfort supplies us with-----  
strength to face today,  
hope to face tomorrow,  
and peace to face the future.*



Priscilla Minter - September 16, 2015 at 04:57 PM

SB

“ *Sherry Bishop lit a candle in memory of  
Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey*



Sherry Bishop - September 16, 2015 at 04:32 PM

RO

“ *She was the best second mother and cheering coach ever. I love  
you and I will miss dearly. RIP Mrs Gainey. 😊😊*

Renee Oliver - September 16, 2015 at 01:57 PM

MC

“ *Mark Christian lit a candle in memory of  
Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey*



Mark Christian - September 16, 2015 at 01:43 PM

SS

“ *My condolences to the Gainey family.*



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**Shirley stephenson** - September 16, 2015 at 01:40 PM

SS

“ *My condolences to the Gainey family.*



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**Shirley stephenson** - September 16, 2015 at 01:37 PM

RT

“ *Praying for my family. May God give us the strength and peace during our time of sorrow.*

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**Rev. Anthony B. Thompson** - September 16, 2015 at 12:31 PM

TL

“ *We love you, our prayers are with the family and remember, God does not comfort us only to make us more comfortable. My family have share many memories working and praying together at Zion Bethel CC. It was pleasure to have know Mrs Gainey and shared her wonderful spirits. Lee' s Family*

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**Tina Lee** - September 16, 2015 at 08:47 AM



“ Jackie Wilson lit a candle in memory of Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey



Jackie Wilson - September 16, 2015 at 06:16 AM



“ Toni Taylor Henley lit a candle in memory of Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey



Toni Taylor Henley - September 16, 2015 at 12:39 AM



“ May the comfort of god heal all pain and full it with loving memories of the time you all shared together.

Bernadette Marshall - September 15, 2015 at 09:39 PM



“ Praise God for His infinite wisdom, grace, mercy, and peace that surpasses all understanding! Rejoicing in Mrs. Gainey's heavenly reward and praying for Juliet and the family's strength in this season of sorrow. Know that the Hunt-Harding families of Zion Bethel UCC love you all.  
Love, Mrs. Sherae Harding-Griffin (Dallas/Ft. Worth, TX)



Sherae Harding-Griffin - September 15, 2015 at 07:19 PM

DC

“ *DOROTHY JACOBS, DUNN N C lit a candle  
in memory of Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey*



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**DOROTHY JACOBS, DUNN N C** - September 15, 2015 at 06:08 PM

LB

“ *May God Comfort You during Your hour of sorrow. Look to him  
today and the days to come. Your mother was a lovely person. We  
remember the day she moved to Charleston Ave. We lived in the  
next block. She was always helping and giving. She will always be  
remembered.*

*Lona C. Burton*

*Leigh M. Burton, Sr*

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**Leigh M. Burton,Sr.** - September 15, 2015 at 11:40 AM



“ *Mrz Jordan sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Jennie Mae Bratcher Gainey*



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**Mrz Jordan** - September 14, 2015 at 01:52 PM

RJ

*God bless the family of Ms. Gainey. such a beautiful, beautiful women  
inside and out. -Regina O. Jackson*

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**Regina O. Jackson** - September 18, 2015 at 09:02 AM



*Sending hugs and prayers to all of the Gainey family. RIH Jennie Mae..... God needed another precious angel, so he grabbed your hand...*

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**Marcia Mello Gainey** - September 21, 2015 at 06:24 PM