



LaVerne Cassell Spruill

May 20, 1943 - October 4, 2008

Portsmouth-LaVerne Cassell Spruill, 65, of the 3000 block of Nelson Street, Portsmouth passed from earth to eternity on October 4, 2008. She was the daughter of the late Lucy Artis Cassell and Hubert Cassell. Mrs. Spruill was born on May 20, 1943 in Yadkins in Norfolk County, Virginia.

LaVerne graduated from Crestwood High School in 1961 and later attended Norfolk State University where she received a major in Psychology. LaVerne loved to tell of visions and experiences with angels beginning at the age of 8 years old.

LaVerne loved working with teens and worked at the Pines Residential Treatment Center in Portsmouth for 8 years. She was an ordained minister, counselor, pianist and an organist. LaVerne was deeply spiritual and joined Divine Baptist Church in Chesapeake at an early age.

LaVerne became legally blind in 1996 after having ten eye surgeries and began kidney dialysis in 2000.

She leaves to cherish her memories; husband, Grady V. Spruill of Portsmouth; sons, Samuel Spruill (Errin) of Portsmouth and Carnelius Spruill (Shalmaria) of Norfolk; sister, Reverend Hazel Cassell Minor of Norfolk; and niece, Dr. Viola Vaughan-Eden (Scott) of Williamsburg and five grandchildren.. Also left

to cherish her memories are aunts, Mary Scott Davis of Chesapeake, Thelma Faulk of Suffolk, Wilhamena Jordan of Nags Head, North Carolina, Georgia Mayo of Holland and Ruth Beatrice Holland of Holland, sister in law, Dorothy Redman of Tazewell, North Carolina, brother in law, Rudolph Spruill of Omaha, Nebraska and a host of other relatives and friends.

Viewing will be held on Wednesday, October 8, 2008 from 2:00 pm until 7:00 pm at the J. T. Fisher Funeral Services, 1080 N George Washington Hwy., Chesapeake. A life celebration service will be on Thursday, October 9, 2008 at 11:00 at Divine Baptist Church, 2917 Old Galberry Road, Chesapeake. Interment will be in Cassell Cuffee Demby Family Cemetery, Galberry Road in Chesapeake.

Thanks to the staff and nurses of the River Point Rehabilitation and Nursing Home in Virginia Beach, VA for the care, love and companionship given to LaVerne. Thank you also to the Davita Dialysis for the love and support these eight years.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **8**. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

OCT **9**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Divine Baptist Church
2917 Old Galberry Rd
Chesapeake, Va

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of LaVerne Cassell Spruill



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - October 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ The Pullen family express our sympathy in the passing of your loved one. We feel that God has prepared a rewarding place for your beloved. We know that she will be missed very much, but only can give you comfort and peace.

The Pullen Family##imported-begin##Patricia Pullen & daughters##imported-end##

October 08, 2008 at 08:45 AM



“ To the family. LaVerne was a past customer of my mom's and aunt's beauty shop shop back in the 60's and 70's in Mt. Hermon. She was always such a pleasant person. My heart goes out to your family but remember our loss is heaven's gain and we will see her again in a better place.##imported-begin##Sandra Perkins Bishop##imported-end##

October 08, 2008 at 06:05 AM



“ Our prayer are with the family. Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. PSALM 24: 7##imported-begin##Nathaniel Watson & Marcia Watson##imported-end##

October 07, 2008 at 10:43 PM



“ Heaven is lucky to have Miss LaVern as an angel.##imported-begin##April, Chris, and Emma-Leigh Gorton##imported-end##

October 07, 2008 at 10:14 PM



“ Sam, Carnelius
My heart is with you guys. Your mom was the greatest i will miss her dearly she was my second mom. If you guys need anything get a hold of us.
Love always
David, cookie, jr, jeff and cory##imported-begin##Cookie Burdette##imported-end##

October 07, 2008 at 06:32 PM



“ My dear friend Grady,
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your wife. You have my condolences.
God bless you and your family.
Kenny Crumpler and family
Gulfport Mississippi##imported-begin##Kenny Crumpler##imported-end##

October 07, 2008 at 05:38 PM