



Mary Belle Barnett

November 8, 1927 - June 19, 2011

Portsmouth – Mary Belle Billups Barnett, 83, of the 100 block of Wilson Street, was called home to be with the Lord on Sunday, June 19, 2011. She was born in Elizabeth City, NC to the late Llewellyn and Beatrice Billups.

Mary was a graduate of P.W. Moore High School in Elizabeth City, NC. She was a retired nurses' assistant, after serving 33 years at Norfolk General Hospital.

She was a member of Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Elizabeth City, and the Watch-Care Program at Saint Mark Missionary Baptist Church. She was also a member of the United Order of Tents and the Eastern Star. Mary had a love for education and music.

She was also predeceased by her sister, Margaret Lewis, and her brother, Llewellyn Billups, Jr. both of Elizabeth City, NC.

Left to cherish her memory are her husband, Willis Barnett of Portsmouth; three daughters, Sharon Neeley (Robert) of Virginia Beach, Gwendolyn Jenkins (John) of Suffolk, and Terrie Pugh (Vincent) of Virginia Beach; a son, Willis L. Barnett of Richmond; two sisters, Louise Turner and Shirley Brown, both of Elizabeth City, NC; two brothers, Lee Billups of Chesapeake and Shelton Billups of Elizabeth City, NC; twelve grandchildren; and fifteen great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends at 6404 Moss Side Court in Suffolk. Viewing will be held on Sunday, June 26, 2011, from 2:00 pm until 7:00 pm at J. T. Fisher Funeral Services, 1080 N. George Washington Hwy., Chesapeake. A life celebration service will be held at 11am on Monday, June 27, 2011 at Saint Mark Missionary Baptist Church, 2714 Frederick Blvd., Portsmouth. Bishop Curtis E. Edmonds, Sr. will officiate. Burial will be in Roosevelt Memorial Gardens. A repast will immediately follow the internment at the Edmonds Center. A special thank you is given to Carrington Place of Chesapeake for the loving professional services rendered to our loved one. The family has entrusted J. T. Fisher Funeral Services to handle the final care arrangements.

Previous Events

Service

JUN 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

St Mark Missionary Baptist Church
2714 Frederick Blvd
Portsmouth, VA

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Belle Barnett



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - June 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ May you always cherish memories of your wife and mom until that glorius day you are reunited.##imported-begin##Sharon Williams-Mack and Son##imported-end##

July 07, 2011 at 12:58 PM



“ To the Barnett Family: I wanted to take this time to extend my most deepest condolences. I read about the loss of your Mother in the obituary today and I am truly sorry. Death is not easy for us as humans to face, and sometimes we may find it a struggle to endure. Its comforting to know that we can always turn to God and his Word the Bible to give us the right words of encouragement at the right time like at Revelation 21:3,4 which reads in part:"And God himself will be with them. And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away. Again my sincere condolences.##imported-begin##Christine Jackson##imported-end##

June 27, 2011 at 10:13 PM



“ *To Willis and Family:*

We wish to convey our deepest sympathy to you and your family on the passing of your mother. We pray they God will continue to bless you and that you will cherish all of the fond memories of the times that you shared with her.

*Fondly,
Dempsey & Cindy
Chesapeake, VA##imported-begin##Dempsey & Cindy
Williams##imported-end##*

June 27, 2011 at 07:56 AM



“ *I and my family are thinking of you during this time of loss. Mrs. Barnett was a woman of great faith and strength. Her life was her testimonial. Yet, I know you will miss her as we always miss those we love. With deepest sympathy, Janet, Charles, and Franchesca##imported-begin##Janet Neeley-Johnson##imported-end##*

June 26, 2011 at 06:00 PM



“ *I am sending my condolences to the Barnett family for the loss of their wonderful wife and mother. Thinking of you with peace and love, Betty##imported-begin##Betty L. Neeley##imported-end##*

June 26, 2011 at 05:45 PM



“ We are thinking of you with a prayer that God will give you strength and faith to help the family with the passing of cousin Mary Belle Billips Barnett. Please give the family our sincere condolences and sympathy as unfortunately we could not be there for this homegoing service but our prayers are with you. Remember the good times and memories for life is short but may her legacy live forever.

Best Regards and Love,

Charles E.Price and Family from Houston, Texas & the second Baptist Church Family###imported-begin###Mr.&Mrs Charles E. Price & Family###imported-end###

June 26, 2011 at 01:14 AM

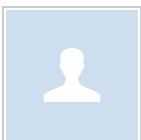


“ Sharon, Gwen, and Families,

I was so sorry to read about Mrs. Barnett's passing. I know only too well how hard it is to lose your mom. Dwell in your memories of happier moments. And let faith guide you through this difficult time.

*With sincere sympathy,
Cydney Cavender###imported-begin###Cydney Cavender###imported-end###*

June 25, 2011 at 08:06 PM



“ To the entire Barnett family, I extend to you my condolences. To have known such a lovely lady is truly a blessing.###imported-begin###Patricia ShannonLewis###imported-end###

June 25, 2011 at 07:07 PM



“ Uncle Willis and the entire family, I extend to you my condolences. Aunt Marybelle was a wonderful lady and I am so blessed to have known such a lady. May your coming days be filled with fond memories and loving thoughts. ##imported-begin## Patricia Lewis ##imported-end##

June 25, 2011 at 06:53 PM



“ My dear sweet aunt Marybelle, I love you and I miss you. You have always been an inspiration to me. all my life. I will miss your beautiful smile and your words of wisdom. Rest on my sweet aunt until we meet again. I will pray to God for strength and understanding in the days to come. It is always so hard to say goodbye to someone you love so dearly but knowing you are in no more pain gives me the strength to accept. God's will. Rest my sweet aunt until we meet again.,? ##imported-begin## Dennis Lewis ##imported-end##

June 25, 2011 at 06:37 PM



“ Terrie, Mr. Barnett and The Barnett Family:
Meeting Mrs. Mary was love at first sight! Her smile would light up the room. The precious Lord took her by the hand and led her home. But hopefully we all will see her again. Heaven just inherited another Angel.
Your family is in my prayers. And I'm so glad she got to meet Christopher!
God is a powerful One. Be strong within Him. (Vincent's Auntie) ##imported-begin## Rozalyn Harris ##imported-end##

June 25, 2011 at 05:01 PM



“ *To the Barnetts:*

When you're sad, go back and rejoice in those wonderful memories you had with Aunt Marybell. Her smile will always be a beacon in my life. She was the most affectionate and loving person I've ever known. I will always remember and cherish her memory.##imported-begin##Tinka##imported-end##

June 25, 2011 at 03:14 PM



“ *Pastor Willls Barnett,*

The Barnett and The Billups Family, we share with you all in the loss of your love one Sister Mary Belle Billups Barnett, a beautiful person that will be miss.

PASTOR & MRS> CALVIN WHEDBEE##imported-begin##Rev. & Mrs. Calvin Whedbee##imported-end##

June 25, 2011 at 02:22 PM



“ *To Rev. Barnett and Family our deepest sympathy go out to you and your family. She was truly a sweet and kind lady. She always had good things to say to me as I was growing up. May heaven smile upon you all.*

From,

Rosheil, Keisha, Janet Rawls and Catherine Hill of Jerusalem Baptist Church, Columbia NC##imported-begin##Rosheil Rawls (Walden)##imported-end##

June 25, 2011 at 01:55 PM



“ Blessing from me & my family. The Turner Family Mariah, Becky & Mom Mattie.##imported-begin##Beverly Hobbs##imported-end##

June 24, 2011 at 08:58 PM



“ Dear Terrie,
I am so sorry for the passing of your dear mother, eventhough she is no longer with us she still will live on in you , in your heart and in precious memories you have of her.I will continue to pray for your strength.
God bless you,
sheron sawyer##imported-begin##sheron sawyer##imported-end##

June 24, 2011 at 08:51 PM



“ I am sending my condolences to the Barnett family. Ms Barnett will truly be missed.##imported-begin##Vincent Sawyer##imported-end##

June 24, 2011 at 08:34 PM



“ So many precious and sweet memories. My prayers and thoughts are with you Barnett family at this time.##imported-begin##Bernadette Williams Harmon##imported-end##

June 24, 2011 at 08:07 AM



“ May the Lord bless you and keep you in your time of need.##imported-begin##Shanee' and Kirah Frazier##imported-end##

June 23, 2011 at 06:25 PM



“ *My prayers are with you and your family. Let me know if there is anything that I can do.##imported-begin##Donna Sessoms##imported-end##*

June 23, 2011 at 06:13 PM



“ *Dear Terrie,
Sorry to hear of your mother's passing. At least all of the pain and suffering is gone and she is in a better place.*

Kermit.##imported-begin##Kermit Foster##imported-end##

June 23, 2011 at 05:10 PM



“ *i am very sorry for your loss.Mrs.Barnett was a kind and wonderful lady with a soul made of gold who will truly be missed.##imported-begin##Michael Pugh##imported-end##*

June 23, 2011 at 01:43 PM



“ *Terrie and family, we are sorry for your loss. Your mother was a lovely woman. We will keep you in our prayers.*

*We love you,
Calvin and Myra Pugh##imported-begin##Calvin and Myra Pugh##imported-end##*

June 23, 2011 at 12:35 PM



“ We wish to express our heartfelt sympathy on the loss of your Mother and to let you know that our thoughts are with you.

So many accomplishments, so very many successes, a wealth of hopes and dreams fulfilled, days and days and days well-lived and now a legacy to celebrate. May sweet memories of the gem that was your mother, encourage you at this time.

Love the Frazier and Saunders Family##imported-begin##Ida Frazier##imported-end##

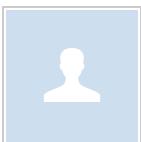
June 23, 2011 at 12:30 PM



“ Terrie:

Please accept our heartfelt sympathy. We wish you and your loving family peace, comfort, and solace through this difficult time.##imported-begin##Lowell Good & Ellen Kahn##imported-end##

June 23, 2011 at 12:29 PM



“ My deepest sympathy to Sharon and the rest of the family. I know how hard it is to lose one's mother because they are so special. I will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Donna Cofield##imported-end##

June 23, 2011 at 07:22 AM



“ I know we never lose the people we love. They live the rest of our lives with us in our heart. I know you will get through this and remember you are not alone. Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: Our prayers are with you and your family##imported-begin##David & Christine Brooks##imported-end##

June 22, 2011 at 11:37 PM



“ Your warm heart and smile will be missed. May God ease the pain of your family during this time.

Love,

Tammy Turner Macdonald##imported-begin##Tammy Turner Macdonald##imported-end##

June 22, 2011 at 08:35 PM



“ To the family, our thoughts and prayers are with your family during this time of sorrow. God Bless##imported-begin##Mr. Mrs. Thaddaeus A. Lamb, Sr.##imported-end##

June 22, 2011 at 04:36 PM



“ Sharon & Family
May God bring comfort and peace to your hearts during this time of sorrow. Remember that Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal.##imported-begin##Alvenia Peerman##imported-end##

June 22, 2011 at 01:30 PM



“ *All my love to one who made a difference to in my life. God bless you always.##imported-begin##Sharon Neeley##imported-end##*

June 21, 2011 at 10:06 PM



“ *To the Family- There are no words that can soothe the loss of a love one.
Even in your darkest hour
The Lord will bless you with His power. His loving grace will abound,
In His sweet care You shall be found.
God's whisper of comfort quiets the noise of your trails.
Your love one death has been swallowd up in Victory.##imported-begin##Juanita Harris-Jones##imported-end##*

June 21, 2011 at 12:28 PM