



Ms. Bernestine Connie

May 27, 1945 - June 6, 2020

CONNIE, Ms. Bernestine - Age 75, passed away Saturday, June 6, 2020 at Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, MI. Visitation will take place Friday, June 12, 2020 from 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM.

Ms. Bernestine Connie was born on May 27, 1945 in Leighton Alabama to Ella Dee Connie and Robert Allen Sr. In 1964, Bernestine moved to Flint, Michigan with her late uncle, Thomas Connie. She was baptized at Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church and served as an Usher for over 40 years.

Ms. Connie loved spending time with her family, friends, and especially her grandchildren.

She enjoyed fishing, cooking holiday dinners, playing cards, and Search Word Puzzles. Bernestine loved listening to blues music and talking about her life.

Ms. Bernestine Connie leaves to cherish her memory: daughters, Tina of Flint and Janice of Cincinnati, OH; son, Tyrone (Charmaine) of Bowie, MD; James D. Smith (partner of 45 years); grandchildren, Courtney, Asia, Caleb and Kayla; sisters, Juanita Armstrong of Talladega, AL, Ella Pearl Faulk of Tuscumbia, AL, Patty Ann (Woody) Mosley, Fannie Mason and Brith Puryear, all of Courland, AL; brothers, Elvert (Debra) Connie of Tuscumbia AL and SFC Thomas Garth Jr. of Clarksville, TN, Andrew (Renita) Allen of Huntsville, AL, David Lee (Tonya) Jones of Sheffield, AL, Lester (Lucy) Brown of Courtland, AL and Robert Brown of Decatur AL; special aunt, Elaine Connie of Burton,

MI; special cousins, Mandy Sue (Richard Lee) Hampton and Consee C. Bates of Leighton, AL; a host of other relatives and friends including special friends, Mary Allen, Edna (A.C.) Mastin and Dallas Fagan.

Ms. Connie will be welcomed into heaven by those who have gone home before her, parents, Ella Dee Connie and Robert Allen Sr.; step-father, Thomas Garth Sr.; sister, Effie Horton; brothers, Lawson Garth, Willie Bee Garth. O. Dee Garth, Rev Robert Allen Jr. and Robert Lightfoot; and special friend, Queen Marshall.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 12. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint
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Flint, MI 48505
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Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Bernestine Connie*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Granny, our soldier has fallen today...I just can't do this anymore. I will never be happy until the day I die. I feel so raw inside. I don't want to continue life anymore.*

Kayla - September 27, 2020 at 10:34 AM



“ *Shirley Rodgers lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



Shirley Rodgers - August 27, 2020 at 12:16 AM



“ 🧑🏻‍🦱 *a bond that can never be broken*



Courtney - August 09, 2020 at 01:14 PM



This is so beautiful, Courtney. You and granny definitely had a unique and wonderful bond. You two made me laugh all the time.

Janice - August 11, 2020 at 06:02 PM

TC

Sitting in parking lot thinking about you mama.

Tina Connie - August 13, 2020 at 11:11 AM

MA

Mama God called your son home September 26th 2020

marieconnie293@yahoo.com - September 27, 2020 at 10:34 PM

RH

Omg I remember her at dewey

Roslyn hicks - November 24, 2020 at 06:40 PM

TC

Missing you

Tina Connie - October 29, 2022 at 05:15 PM

TC

Missing you

Tina Connie - December 02, 2023 at 11:00 AM

CO

“*Hey granny this courtney again I miss you so much , I think about you every day still . I love you so much until we meet again*



Courtney - August 09, 2020 at 01:07 PM

EF

“*Ella Faulk lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



Ella Faulk - August 04, 2020 at 01:13 PM

SS

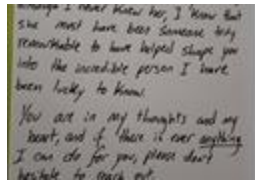
“ Shelly Smith lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie



Shelly Smith - July 24, 2020 at 02:49 AM

TZ

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Taryn Zust - July 16, 2020 at 11:53 PM



“ After having my farther leave for heaven two and half years ago, I have been finding and feeling my dad every moment. Sometimes the moment makes me have tears in my eyes. Sometimes it makes me smile. Ms. Connie would be with you (with a heavenly face) as my dad does and the lights of a candle does.



Eunjoo Kang - July 16, 2020 at 06:40 PM



“ *Eunjoo Kang lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



Eunjoo Kang - July 16, 2020 at 06:34 PM



“ *Teaira Payne lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



teaira payne - July 16, 2020 at 09:01 AM



“ *Demarcus Leggins lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



demarcus leggins - July 16, 2020 at 09:00 AM



“ *Devont Douglas And James Douglas lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



devont douglas and james douglas - July 16, 2020 at 08:59 AM

JP

“ *Jamal Payne lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



jamal payne - July 16, 2020 at 08:57 AM

AL

“ *Aireka Leggins lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



aireka leggins - July 16, 2020 at 08:56 AM

CL

“ *Christine Leggins lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



christine leggins - July 16, 2020 at 08:55 AM

MD

“ *Marie Leggins Douglas lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



marie leggins douglas - July 16, 2020 at 08:53 AM

MD

“ Love you



marie leggins douglas - July 16, 2020 at 08:52 AM

MD

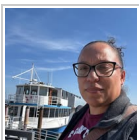
“ RIH Auntie I love you cousins and I'm so sorry for your loss take care of yourselves call me if you need me.
Marie leggins Douglas

marie leggins douglas - July 16, 2020 at 08:50 AM

TC

“ Mama, mama, mama I miss you soooooo much so much. I cry everyday . Sometimes I lie in bed looking at your picture until I fall asleep. I miss you so much. I wish I could just see you , talk to you , and just hear your voice.

Tina Connie - July 11, 2020 at 11:57 PM



“ I remember Ms. Connie growing up. Her daughters babysat me when I was a little girl. Ms. Connie was a beautiful and funny lady. She always made me laugh and she made me feel like apart of the family. Ms. Connie may you rest now in the arms of the Lord.
Love Marcy.



Stella Harris - July 11, 2020 at 05:44 PM

AS

“ *Annie Sizemore lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



Annie Sizemore - July 10, 2020 at 07:40 PM

TI

“ *Sending my deepest condolences to the family. Oh how you will be so missed. Such a sweet spirit and soul. Rest Peacefully Love You*



Marshall Family

tiffany - July 09, 2020 at 10:25 PM

FL

“ *Prayers to the Family. Felicia Lilly -Alabama*



FELICIA LILLY - July 08, 2020 at 06:46 PM

KC

“ *"Words cannot express how much pain I'm in right now. I try my hardest to stay strong every day for you granny so I won't give up you and so I won't take my own life away. I wish I could be there with you but I know that cannot happen. You are in a much better place and I miss you, so so much."*

Kayla Connie - July 07, 2020 at 11:41 AM

JA

You have to live for granny. Granny was our life our heart beats, and now we are life for her. We live for granny now and forever. Granny lives on in all of us!

Janice - July 08, 2020 at 08:44 AM

TY

*Her words
are like a golden thread that binds our family.
Her wisdom,
like an art that shares so generously.
Her feelings
like a quilt that warms us like no other.
The hands
of one so dear the one you, Courtney, Asia and Caleb called Granny*

tyrone - July 09, 2020 at 09:18 AM

HI

“ *May peace and blessings be with you and the family of Ms. Bernestine Connie. Rest in Heaven.*




Hamin Rasool II - July 06, 2020 at 10:14 PM

WC

“ *Sorry for your loss*



Wanda Cecil - July 06, 2020 at 09:50 PM

 Tricey
Buckley

“ *As far back as I can remember, Miss Connie was a wonderful Mother-figure that lived across the Street from my Granny (her Neighbor/Friend) I will always remember the kindness shown to me and my Sister growing up. Your family was my Family. Special Prayers to her Children & grandchildren* ❤️



Tricey Buckley - July 06, 2020 at 07:15 PM

JA

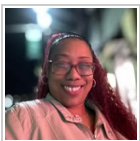
Family forever! I love this tribute to my mother and it touches my heart.

Janice - July 07, 2020 at 10:07 AM



*I can't cope up with the loss
It is too cruel for me to bear
So I am writing this poem
To lay my heart bare
My mom wasn't just my mother
She was my best friend
She was my guardian angel
Oh, why did this have to end
She was my real support
She was my heart's beat
Nothing and no one can be
Like her, so caring and so sweet
Her absence from my life
Has changed me as a person
Just like how a morning would be
Without the rays of the sun
I miss you*

Tyrone Flint Mlch - July 09, 2020 at 09:44 PM



“ *Elka Buckley Keys lit a candle in memory of
Ms. Bernestine Connie*



Elka Buckley Keys - July 06, 2020 at 07:08 PM

SE

“ Since age 9 in the 4th grade you and the family entered into my life, Everytime I saw you we greeted each other with a great big hug and u were always very kind and sweet but when you saw me doing wrong as a child u wouldnt hesitate to put me in my place 😊 I thank God for a wonderful woman like u Ms Connie, I will never forget a beautiful strong black smart intelligent woman like u, Absent from the body, present with The Lord. Until we meet again Farewell Ms Connie ❤️



Sushila Edelen - July 06, 2020 at 04:31 PM

JA

Thank you for the beautiful tribute to my mother.

Janice - July 07, 2020 at 06:34 AM

RY

“ June 23, 2020

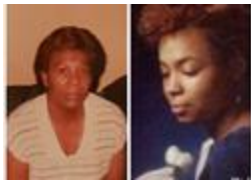
Raymond Young lit a candle

“In loving memory of Bernestine Connie, So dearly loved. So sadly missed. God bless.”

Raymond Young - June 28, 2020 at 08:43 PM

JA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Janice - June 28, 2020 at 12:58 PM

TI

Sometimes I can't sleep at night because my mind is always on you. I miss you so much

TinaConnie - June 30, 2020 at 10:50 PM



Our Mom Our mother was and is a woman like no other. She gave us life, nurtured us, taught us, dressed us, fought for us held us, shouted at us, kissed us, but most importantly she loved us unconditionally. There are not enough words I can say to describe just how important our mother is to us, and what a powerful influence she continues to be. We love you Mom.

Tyrone Flint Mlch - July 09, 2020 at 10:00 PM

EC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall

close in our hearts,
Bernestine was always there
for me when I lived in Flint.
We would talk all night on
the phone sharing our hurts,
and good and bad times. She
loved her children beyond
measure and would stand up
against a bear for them. She

Ella Conney-Harris - June 28, 2020 at 10:13 AM

RC

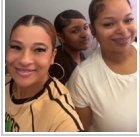
“ *Some of my best childhood memories were spent with Bernestine. I spent a lot of time with my cousins as we were growing up. She was definitely an instrumental part of my upbringing and helped in me becoming the person that I am today. She will be missed greatly!*

Ressa Connie - June 28, 2020 at 06:59 AM

JA

Ressa, this was so heartwarming to read. Thanks!

Janice - June 29, 2020 at 07:59 AM



“ *Bernestine ... the one woman who kept me under her wing. Took care of me as a child for many years, cooked, washed my clothes, gave me so much love and treated me like her own. I learned a lot from this woman. My heart is so broken, but I know for sure we'll see each other again. Bernesteine, you taught me so much as a kid that I even carry those same habits with me now. Your heart was full of love and compassion with so much humor that made me feel like one of your own and never treated any different, but stayed on me to navigate me in the right path. Although we never saw each other that much and I moved to California, just know I never stop thinking of you and my cousins. You will forever be in my heart and you will never be forgotten NO MORE PAIN OR SUFFERING YOU CAN REST EASY* 💔🙏

-Love LeeLee

Leanne TheGeneralette - June 26, 2020 at 10:47 PM

JA

LeeLee this made me cry because the words brought so much joy to my heart I was overcome with emotions. She loved you very much and I know you loved her.

Janice - June 29, 2020 at 08:03 AM

TI

For everyone that shared their special memories of my mom thanks so much

TinaConnie - June 29, 2020 at 06:02 PM

TI

I missing you so much mama. I cry everyday day. I miss you so much I wish you were here with me. I miss you, I miss you sooooo much. Tears are rolling down my cheeks.

TinaConnie - June 29, 2020 at 06:04 PM

TI

“ I'm missing you so much mama. I'm sitting here at work crying. I love you soo much. It hurts so bad.

TinaConnie - June 24, 2020 at 07:14 PM

CF

“ Some of the best memories I ever had were of my Aunt and cousin's in Michigan



Cassy Faulk - June 24, 2020 at 10:23 AM

JC

That was a wonderful time indeed!

Janice Connie - June 26, 2020 at 06:20 PM

RY

“ Raymond Young sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie



Raymond Young - June 23, 2020 at 08:33 PM

JC

“ Momma, you were my traveling buddy. We traveled the world together.

Janice Connie - June 22, 2020 at 09:30 PM

JC

“ *Janice Connie sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



Janice Connie - June 22, 2020 at 09:24 PM



“ *In memory of my darling big sister. Whom I love very much with all of my heart. Keep watching over me until we meet again*



Ginette Armstrong Morris - June 22, 2020 at 03:39 PM

YB

“ *Ms. Connie we are so sorry for your loss. May memories of your mother comfort you. Love Yolanda and Kendall*



yolanda battle - June 22, 2020 at 01:38 PM

JS

“ *James Smith lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



James Smith - June 17, 2020 at 09:19 PM

JS

“ From your husband James, I miss you dearly . Hope to be together forever once again.

James Smith - June 17, 2020 at 09:18 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Tyrone Flint Mlch - June 17, 2020 at 01:07 PM

TI

I miss you so much mama. I think about you every single day. When I wake up in the morning you are the first person on my mind and when I go to bed at night you are the last person on my mind. I wish I could touch you just one more time, or hear you call my name just one more time. My world has been turned up side down since you left me. I push myself to be strong with you being by my side but it is very hard soooo hard . I love you. I just wish you were here with me instead of with the angels because you were my angel and yes I know I'm being selfish right about now but I can not help how I am feeling right now.

TinaConnie - June 21, 2020 at 01:21 AM



“ Tyrone Flint Mlch lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie



Tyrone Flint Mlch - June 17, 2020 at 01:06 PM

CC

“ *My super hero. Mom you were my everything and I do mean my everything . You taught me how to be a strong woman and ever since you left me I still hear your voice talking to me every single day. I just wish I could see your pretty little smile just one more time and touch you,*

Courtney Connie - June 17, 2020 at 10:35 AM

CC

“ *Courtney Connie lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



Courtney Connie - June 17, 2020 at 10:26 AM

CC

“ *Dear Granny this your granddaughter Courtney "CoCo". I miss you so much and I always will. You'll always be in my rose garden of memories I love you dearly and one day we'll be together forever.*

Courtney Connie - June 17, 2020 at 10:24 AM

TW

“ *I light my candle in memory of Ms. Connie, a most beautiful and sweet soul. She welcomed me with open arms and loved me as one of her own. To her family, know her strength is in each of you. As you go forward, she is with you.*



Timothy

Timothy Williams - June 16, 2020 at 10:28 PM

CF

“ Praying For God's Peace To Cover You All. 🙏
❤️



Cheryl Baber & Family - June 16, 2020 at 09:26 PM

WI

“ Wissam lit a candle in memory of Ms.
Bernestine Connie



Wissam - June 16, 2020 at 03:39 PM

WS

“ Wissam Sabbagh lit a candle in memory of
Ms. Bernestine Connie



Wissam Sabbagh - June 16, 2020 at 03:34 PM

SR

“ My prayers and thoughts are with Ms.
Bernestine's family, friends, and loved ones. A
close friend and colleague of her daughter
Janice Connie in Cincinnati, Oh. May God
continue to strengthen and bless you ALL.

Sheila Ray



Sheila Ray - June 16, 2020 at 03:16 PM

LM

“ *Laura McSwain lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



Laura McSwain - June 16, 2020 at 01:04 PM

SP

“ *Sharon Petersen lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



Sharon Petersen - June 16, 2020 at 11:29 AM

RU

“ *Russell lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



Russell - June 16, 2020 at 11:20 AM

JC

“ *Janice Connie lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



Janice Connie - June 15, 2020 at 06:01 PM



My condolences! She had to be amazing , she raised an amazing daughter.

joann taylor - June 16, 2020 at 11:32 AM



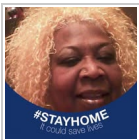
*Dear Mama, I love you so.
I need you here; I can't let go.
Your laugh, your smile is such a treat.
You're the very best mama; you can't be beat.*

*I'm lost for words with so much to say.
I learn to love, grow, and smile,
And when it counts to walk that extra mile.
Sometimes you didn't have the words to say,
But I knew you loved me every day.*

*I pray to the heavens up above
To help this woman whom we love,
To make her strong enough to fight.
To take her from us would not be right.
We need her here to be sane.
We wish for you to take her pain.*

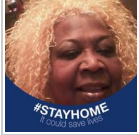
*Angels above, come stand by her side.
Let your love wash over her; bring in the tide.
Heal her and help her through the dark.
I love her so much with all of my heart.
I cannot lose her, I cannot rest.
I'll do anything to pass this test.
She's so very important to me.
I'm begging you, Lord, don't let her leave.*

Tyrone Flint Mlch - June 17, 2020 at 01:16 PM



“ *Bernastine and I have been friends since we were teenagers. She has always been sweet, soft spoken, considerate, and very kind.
R.I.H. my friend.*

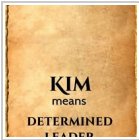
Dora Daniels - June 15, 2020 at 03:43 PM



“ *Dora Daniels lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



Dora Daniels - June 15, 2020 at 03:37 PM



“ *Sending our condolences and prayers to your family. Remebering Ms. Connie as part of the Dewey School Community. May God continue to strengthen your family during this time.*

Kim Turner - June 13, 2020 at 07:55 AM



“ *Lit a candle in memory of Ms. Connie, gone but not forgotten! R.I.P.*



Linda Mayfield - June 12, 2020 at 06:06 PM



“ *Deidre Spight-Woodson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



Deidre Spight-Woodson - June 11, 2020 at 10:51 PM

LT

“ Leslie and Talon purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of Ms. Bernestine Connie.



Leslie and Talon - June 11, 2020 at 07:16 PM

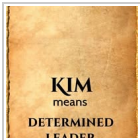
LC

“ Janice, Tina, Darren. Ms Connie was an amazing women who did not play! I thank her dearly for the love she shared while caring for my baby TaLon. I love you guys, be safe and strong. She left an amazing legacy!



Leslie and Talon.

Leslie Carter-Hicks - June 11, 2020 at 07:10 PM



“ Kim Turner lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie



Kim Turner - June 11, 2020 at 05:53 PM

FS

“ From willie jr & sherry smith purchased the Full O f Love Bouquet for the family of Ms. Bernestine Connie.



From willie jr & sherry smith - June 11, 2020 at 04:09 PM

CB

“ Carolyn Buckley lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie



Carolyn Buckley - June 10, 2020 at 11:27 PM



“ My Soul Lives On Blanket was purchased for the family of Ms. Bernestine Connie.



June 10, 2020 at 12:01 PM

VJ

“ Vickie Jones lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie



Vickie Jones - June 10, 2020 at 08:46 AM

FS

“ Faye Starling lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie



Faye Starling - June 10, 2020 at 06:46 AM

DB

“ *Darlene Belue sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



Darlene Belue - June 10, 2020 at 02:11 AM

DB

“ *Darlene Belue lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



Darlene Belue - June 09, 2020 at 05:18 PM



“ *Dora Daniels lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



Dora Daniels - June 09, 2020 at 01:03 PM



“ *Pandoretta Jackson sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Bernestine Connie*



Pandoretta Jackson - June 08, 2020 at 08:30 PM