



## Mother Rheba Mae Bowers

April 16, 1929 - April 5, 2025

BOWERS, Mother Rheba Mae - Age 95, passed away Saturday, April 5, 2025 at her residence. Family hour 10:30 AM Monday, April 14, 2025 at Southeast Christian Church, 4171 Lapeer Rd., Burton, MI, with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM. Suffragan Bishop Kenneth Brown, officiating. Interment River Rest Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the Church 10:30 AM Monday. Mother Bowers will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd, and may be viewed from 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Sunday. With family present from 2:00PM-4:00PM. Rheba (Johnson) Bowers was the third sibling of five children born to Archie and Flurcy Johnson on April 16, 1929. She married Edward Bowers on December 10, 1955 at Bethlehem Temple Church in Flint, Michigan by the late Dist. Elder B.T. Scott. To this union two sons were born, Archie and Edward. She has three grandchildren. Rheba was one of the church musicians at Bethlehem Temple Church and later Southeast Christian Church of the Apostolic Faith in Burton, Michigan. Between the two churches, Rheba played for 67 years. Rheba graduated from Flint Northern High School Class of 1947. Early employment was as an elevator operator at the Dryden Building and housekeeping in prominent Flint homes. Rheba's last place of employment was IMA Cafeteria as a cook from 1969-1980. Her hobbies included playing piano, sewing, and growing roses. One thing that Rheba was known for was speaking her mind. Rheba Bowers leaves to cherish her memory two sons, Archie (Claudia) and Edward, both residents of Flint, MI.

Grandchildren Alana (Darron) Burgos Peekskill, NY, Trey (Arielys) Bowers Candor, NC, and Edward Bowers Spokane, WA. Three great-grandchildren Yaly Burgos, Lailah and Brooke Bowers. Numerous nieces and nephews. Cousin Sammie Holmes Little Rock, AR. A host of other relatives and friends including special friends Sis. Geraldine Feaster, Sis. Viola Massey, and Sis. Cherrie Williams. Rheba was preceded in death by husband Edward Bowers. Archie (Flurcy) Johnson; parents. Ernestine (John) Brown, William (Izora) Johnson, Elizabeth Wright, Bishop James A. (Josephine) Johnson. The family would like to express special thanks to Southeast Christian Church, Bethlehem Temple Church, and The Care Team Hospice.

# Cemetery Details

## River Rest Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.  
Flint, MI 48504

# Previous Events

## Viewing

APR **13**. 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint  
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.  
Flint, MI 48505  
(810) 789-MOON (6666)  
lemoonfhflint@gmail.com  
<http://www.lawrenceemoonfuneralhome.com>

## Family hour

APR **14**. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Southeast Christian Church  
4171 Lapeer Rd.  
Burton, MI 48509

## Funeral Service

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APR 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

OC

“ *ORA CARTER lit a candle in memory of Mother Rheba Mae Bowers*



**ORA CARTER** - April 18, 2025 at 04:37 AM

WH

“ *Wanda Harrison lit a candle in memory of Mother Rheba Mae Bowers*



**Wanda Harrison** - April 14, 2025 at 09:24 AM

JJ

“ *Juana J Johnson purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mother Rheba Mae Bowers.*



**Juana J Johnson** - April 12, 2025 at 01:58 PM

RS

“ *Rosalind Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Rheba Bowers*



**Rosalind Smith** - April 12, 2025 at 12:50 PM

CH

“ *Cassandra Green Hughes lit a candle in memory of Rheba Bowers*



**Cassandra Green Hughes** - April 12, 2025 at 12:33 PM

SC

“ *Sending prayers and condolences to Archie and his family. Sorry for your loss. May God grant your family peace and strength.*



**Sandra Copeland** - April 12, 2025 at 11:57 AM

MJ

“ *Margaret Jones, Cynthia & Jackie planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mother Rheba Mae Bowers.*

**Margaret Jones, Cynthia & Jackie** - April 11, 2025 at 07:35 PM

MJ

“ *Margaret Jones, Cynthia & Jackie purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Mother Rheba Mae Bowers.*



**Margaret Jones, Cynthia & Jackie** - April 11, 2025 at 07:35 PM

GA

“ George and La Verne Alford purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mother Rheba Mae Bowers.



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**George and La Verne Alford** - April 11, 2025 at 04:02 PM

LM

“ LORI MCBRAYER lit a candle in memory of Mother Rheba Mae Bowers



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**LORI MCBRAYER** - April 11, 2025 at 12:04 PM

JA

“ Jerome Adams sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Rheba Mae Bowers



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**Jerome Adams** - April 11, 2025 at 06:32 AM

DH

“ Heartfelt Condolences and Prayers To The Brother Archie and The Bowers Family.

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**Douglas Hill** - April 10, 2025 at 04:26 PM

CG

“ *Sending sincere condolences and prayers to Archie and family.*



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**Carol Taylor Gardner** - April 10, 2025 at 01:27 PM

CH

“ *Carolyn Hendrix lit a candle in memory of Rheba Bowers*



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**Carolyn Hendrix** - April 10, 2025 at 12:56 PM

DD

“ *Donna and Theobald Davis lit a candle in memory of Rheba Bowers*



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**Donna and Theobald Davis** - April 09, 2025 at 02:10 PM

TB

“ *My prayers are with Archie and the entire Bowers family. May the memory of your mom's love and caring comfort you in the days ahead during these difficult times.*  
*Terry Brannon*



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**Terry F Brannon** - April 09, 2025 at 12:46 PM

LC

“ *Lois Cunningham lit a candle in memory of Rheba Bowers*



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**Lois Cunningham** - April 09, 2025 at 09:22 AM

SB

“ *Sue Brown lit a candle in memory of Rheba Bowers*



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**Sue Brown** - April 09, 2025 at 08:54 AM

LB

“ *Dear Archie, Claudia, and the entire Bower Family. I am saddened by the loss of your dear mom. She was very welcoming of me each time our paths crossed. I was blessed to receive many of her smiles during the years Alana and my daughters were growing up. I know she will be greatly missed by each of you. As you progress through your grief, it is my desire that you will at some point be filled with the hope of her resurrection. It is certain to come. God is faithful to keep His Word. I love you and will continue to pray for you.*  
*Lawanda (Broadway) Burnes*

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**Lawanda Burnes** - April 09, 2025 at 07:29 AM

AN

“ *Andretta Newton lit a candle in memory of Mother Rheba Mae Bowers*



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**Andretta Newton** - April 09, 2025 at 03:35 AM

DF

“ *Dr. Norman Booker Family lit a candle in memory of Mother Rheba Mae Bowers*



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**Dr. Norman Booker family** - April 08, 2025 at 09:33 PM

SC

“ *Sandra Cabine lit a candle in memory of Mother Rheba Mae Bowers*



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**Sandra Cabine** - April 08, 2025 at 08:37 PM



“ *May the God of comfort be with the family and friends during this time of bereavement.*

*Rev. Leon & Patricia Adams*

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**Leon Adams PE** - April 08, 2025 at 06:06 PM

DM

“ *Douglas May lit a candle in memory of Mother Rheba Mae Bowers*



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**Douglas May** - April 08, 2025 at 04:22 PM

TF

“ *We (the Cardwell Family) send our love, prayers, and condolences to Archie and the entire family of Mother Rheba Mae Bowers.*



*Remembering Mother Bowers and Mother Johnson both playing the piano and organ when we were young children attending Bethlehem Temple Church at 918 Spencer Street.*

*Mother Bowers had a very sweet spirit. As children we admired her; She was always a sharp dresser and wore beautiful hats to match. Mother Bowers will truly be missed.*

*Archie and Family,*

*We're asking God to comfort your hearts during your time of bereavement.*

*Sincerely,*

*The Cardwell, Hudson and Mills Family*

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**The Cardwell Family** - April 07, 2025 at 10:35 PM

JB

“ James And Lisa Blakley sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Rheba Mae Bowers



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**James and Lisa Blakley** - April 07, 2025 at 08:25 PM

DH

“ DeWinter Holloway sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Rheba Mae Bowers



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**DeWinter Holloway** - April 07, 2025 at 03:54 PM

MD

“ Mary Dantzler-Grace lit a candle in memory of Mother Rheba Mae Bowers



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**Mary Dantzler-Grace** - April 07, 2025 at 03:24 PM



AS

“ *Aileen Spence sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Mother Rheba Mae Bowers*



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**Aileen Spence** - April 07, 2025 at 10:38 AM