



Mother Savannah "Bannie" Stafford

February 15, 1931 - April 30, 2019

STAFFORD, Mother Savannah "Bannie" - Age 88, passed away Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at Kith Haven Skilled Nursing Center. Family hour 10:00 AM Saturday, May 11, 2019 at Morningstar Missionary Baptist Church, 4075 E. Atherton Rd., Burton, MI, with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM. Pastor Keith Bigelow, officiating. Interment Gracelawn Community Cemetery, 5710 N. Saginaw St. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:00 AM Saturday. Mother Stafford will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd. and may be viewed from 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM Friday with family present from 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM to receive friends.

Mother Savannah "Bannie" Stafford was born on February 15, 1931 in Moscow, Tennessee and passed away on April 30, 2019 at the age of 88. She moved from Memphis, TN to Flint, Michigan in 1955. Mother Stafford was the daughter of the late Mack and Ida Lee Minor. She married the late Odell Stafford on May 9, 1953. Mother Stafford is survived by her sister, Maxine Smith of Memphis, TN; brother, Jerry (Rosalee) Minor of Burton, MI; sister-in-law, Annie Minor of Flint; nephew and nieces, Jerry (Lauren) Minor Jr. of Los Angeles, CA, Dr. Rosalyn (Torchio) Feaster of Brighton, MI, Jasmine (Corey) Smith of Grand Rapids, MI, all of which she helped care for as children; Dr. Tamra Maben and Jerome Maben who cared for her when her health began to fail. and many other nieces and nephews whom she loved dearly; also other

family and friends.

Mother Stafford was a faithful member of Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church for many years. She attended regularly until her health began to fail. Mother Stafford served on the Mothers Board, Mission Department and sang in the Choir. She also attended Bible Study and Sunday School regularly. Mother Stafford loved watching soap operas, The Detroit Pistons and game shows. She was a great cook. Her southern dishes included, greens, pinto beans and sweet potato pies.

Mother Stafford was preceded in death by her husband, Odell Stafford; mother, Ida Lee Minor; father, Mack Minor; sisters, Maggie Conley, Earline Hughes and Alberta Lawson; and brothers, Anderson Minor and Charles Minor.

The family would like to express special thanks to her Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church family, Pastor Keith J. Bigelow Sr., the staff of Kith Haven Nursing and Rehabilitation Facility including, Latoya Christian, nurses, Tracy Bliss RN, Joy Jones, Dawn of American Hospice, special friends, JD and Edna Chapman, Josie McDonald and Brenda Romantoski. Also special thanks to Dr. Emaldi Saheed MD and Hurley Medical Center.

Cemetery Details

Gracelawn Cemetery

5710 N. Saginaw St.
Flint, MI 48505

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAY 10. 12:00 PM - 8:00 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 Present

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Morningstar Missionary Baptist Church
4075 E. Atherton Rd.
Burton, MI 48519

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mother Savannah "Bannie" Stafford*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Victoria McCreay lit a candle in memory of Mother Savannah "Bannie" Stafford*



Victoria McCreay - May 19, 2019 at 09:48 AM



“ *Bannie, Thank you so much for being a companion to my mother, Clara Cox. She is waiting in heaven to watch the soap operas with you!*

To the Minor Family, I grieve with you and am praying for us all.

Linda Ryals-Massey - May 11, 2019 at 08:38 AM



“ *Linda Ryals-Massey lit a candle in memory of Mother Savannah "Bannie" Stafford*



Linda Ryals-Massey - May 11, 2019 at 08:28 AM

DM

“ Deacon Jesse Mosley lit a candle in memory of Mother Savannah "Bannie" Stafford



Deacon Jesse Mosley - May 10, 2019 at 10:13 AM

DM

My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Deacon Jesse Mosley - May 10, 2019 at 08:48 PM



“ R.I.H. beautiful lady, Roseheven housekeeping

Linda Jones - May 08, 2019 at 12:50 PM



“ Linda Jones lit a candle in memory of Mother Savannah "Bannie" Stafford



Linda Jones - May 08, 2019 at 12:49 PM

VJ

“ I am going to miss my Aunt, and the biggest Detroit Pistons Fan I know. I love and miss our conversations already Aunt Bannie. Tell Uncle Noodie we said "Hi".

Virgil "Boo" Stafford Jr.

Virgil Stafford Jr - May 07, 2019 at 02:10 AM

PJ

“ *Pauline Jones lit a candle in memory of Mother Savannah "Bannie" Stafford*



Pauline Jones - May 03, 2019 at 08:40 PM

CH

“ *Carolyn Reeves Hawkins lit a candle in memory of Mother Savannah "Bannie" Stafford*



Carolyn Reeves Hawkins - May 02, 2019 at 06:00 PM

CH

“ *It was a blessing for me to know Mother Stafford. We sung in the choir together. She will be missed. May God grant the family peace, strength and understanding of His will. May you find comfort in knowing Mother Stafford is now in His care awaiting her crown. Blessings and prayers. Carolyn Reeves Hawkins*

Carolyn Reeves Hawkins - May 02, 2019 at 05:57 PM

RM

“ *Rose Murchison sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Savannah "Bannie" Stafford*



Rose Murchison - May 01, 2019 at 12:08 PM

RM

“ Rose Murchison lit a candle in memory of Mother Savannah "Bannie" Stafford



Rose Murchison - May 01, 2019 at 12:07 PM

MP

“ MINISTER PAM sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Savannah "Bannie" Stafford



MINISTER PAM - May 01, 2019 at 07:44 AM

MP

“ MINISTER PAM lit a candle in memory of Mother Savannah "Bannie" Stafford



MINISTER PAM - May 01, 2019 at 07:43 AM

KM

“ Kelvin M. Mackey lit a candle in memory of Mother Savannah "Bannie" Stafford



Kelvin M. Mackey - April 30, 2019 at 06:56 PM