



Anna Bernice Bowman

August 26, 1932 - January 12, 2024

Anna Bernice Bowman entered eternal rest Friday January 12, 2024. Born August 26, 1932, she was the daughter of the late Joseph S and Carrie Lewis Bowman. She was also predeceased by her brothers: John F., Joseph S. Jr., Ottaway C., Richard M., Sr. and Charles F. Bowman.

Bernice, as she was called by her family and most who knew her, graduated from Ruthville High School in June of 1950. She joined Elam Baptist Church in 1949 and has served as Deaconess and Trustee as well as member of the Willing Workers Club and member and President of the Senior Choir. Bernice worshipped and served faithfully at Elam until her health began to fail and she needed to be cared for outside of her home. She was active in her community as a member of the local NAACP, Ruthville High School Alumni Association and several county committees.

Although Bernice never gave birth to children of her own, she was a “Mother” to eight nieces and one nephew, serving as caregiver to most of them from infancy to adulthood. Her cooking was enjoyed by all —most notably her fried chicken, homemade rolls and assorted desserts.

Bernice is survived by her nieces: Daryl B. Robertson (Melvin), Sandra B. Johnson (Linwood), Mildred B. Adkins (Chauncey), Rhonda B. Gardner (Charles), Shirlette B. Squire (Rayfield), Rowena M. Bowman, Angela C.

Bowman and Deborah Gray, her nephew Richard M. Bowman, Jr.(Sherry); God-Daughter Cheryl C. Jones (Archer), devoted God-Son Craig V. Christian (Carolyn), two sisters-in-law, Marian W. Bowman and Ruby M. Bowman; four great-nieces, four great-nephews, five great-great nieces and two great-great nephews. She is also survived by several cousins, two devoted Althea Diane Brown and Virginia Maxine Alves as well as countless friends.

A funeral service will be held 12 Noon Friday, January 19, 2024, at Elam Baptist Church, 13060 The Glebe Ln, Charles City, VA 23030. A viewing will be from 5pm-7pm, Thursday, January 18, 2024, at Vincent Funeral Home, 9923 Pocahontas Trail, Providence Forge, VA 23140.

Cemetery Details

Old Elam Cemetery

Old Elam Cemetery Rd
Charles City, VA 23030

Previous Events

Viewing

JAN 18. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Vincent Funeral Home, Providence Forge Chapel
9923 Pocahontas Trail
Providence Forge, VA 23140
(804) 966-7075

Funeral Service

JAN 19. 12:00 PM (ET)

Elam Baptist Church
13060 The Glebe Ln
Charles City, VA 23030

Tribute Wall

FB

“ *Felicia Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Anna Bernice Bowman* ”



Felicia Brown - January 21, 2024 at 01:56 AM

CB

“ *Cecelia Bradby sent a virtual gift in memory of Anna Bernice Bowman* ”



Cecelia Bradby - January 20, 2024 at 05:50 PM

AM

“ *Althea Morton lit a candle in memory of Anna Bernice Bowman* ”



Althea Morton - January 19, 2024 at 10:54 PM

SJ

“ *Silene Johnson lit a candle in memory of Anna Bernice Bowman* ”



Silene Johnson - January 19, 2024 at 03:40 PM

CM

“ *The Minor family have many memories of sharing with Aunt Bee. Sitting around the table talking about various things, places and people while enjoying the kinship that good food brings. You have been a blessing in our lives. Rest in peace and may God bring comfort to your family.*

Chella D Minor - January 19, 2024 at 09:44 AM

WB

“ *Sincerest sympathies to the family. May God bless, keep and comfort you during this trying time.*



Warren and JoAnne Bell - January 18, 2024 at 08:10 PM



“ *Monica Freeman lit a candle in memory of Anna Bernice Bowman*



Monica Freeman - January 18, 2024 at 04:28 PM

EP

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Elmira Pitchford - January 16, 2024 at 09:48 PM

EP

“ *Elmira Pitchford lit a candle in memory of Anna Bernice Bowman*



Elmira Pitchford - January 16, 2024 at 09:40 PM

EP

Cousin Bernice will be missed by all of us. She definitely could cook. We remember her beautiful smile and personality. She contributed the adhesion to our family. Bernice always welcomed us with open arms and great hospitality. Condolences to the rest of our family as well as many blessings and prayers..We love you. The Melvin family-Gloria, James, Elmira, Gwendolyn, and Joyce Melvin-Jones

Elmira Pitchford - January 16, 2024 at 09:46 PM

TL

“ *Talitha Lemobs lit a candle in memory of Anna Bernice Bowman*



Talitha Lemobs - January 16, 2024 at 08:43 PM

JM

*We extend condolences to the family. Anna's memory will remain in our hearts forever. 🙏
Joyce Melvin- Jones & Family*

Joyce A. Melvin-Jones - January 16, 2024 at 10:07 PM

ST

“ *Sandy Tate lit a candle in memory of Anna Bernice Bowman*



Sandy Tate - January 16, 2024 at 01:45 PM

CC

“ *Charlene Christian lit a candle in memory of Anna Bernice Bowman*



Charlene Christian - January 15, 2024 at 06:54 PM

FC

“ *Frances Cotman lit a candle in memory of Anna Bernice Bowman*



Frances Cotman - January 15, 2024 at 04:22 PM

MC

“ *Marilyn Crump lit a candle in memory of Anna Bernice Bowman*



Marilyn Crump - January 14, 2024 at 09:39 PM

SB

“ Aunt Bee , always so sweet and welcoming to me and whenever I was visiting Aunt Bee she always prepared a delicious meal for me and my family. With her kindness and our love of cooking and our engaging conversations I will always remember you Aunt Bee. LITTLE Richard has told about so many memories of you Aunt Bee through the years. You will be in our hearts forever. Jordan and Candace will never forget your kindness. REST Now. Sherry

Sherry Bowman - January 14, 2024 at 05:43 PM

JC

To the Bowman family,AuntBernice was everyone's Aunt Bernice.We will remember her fondly.Remember,Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal.

JoAnn & Brandon Christian - January 17, 2024 at 01:38 PM