



## Joyce Laverne Bell

November 18, 1946 - July 18, 2025

Joyce Laverne Bell was born on November 18, 1946, in Charles City, VA to the late Rudolph Bell, Sr. and Helen Whitehead Bell. She is also preceded in death by her stepmother, Lorene Jones-Bell.

Joyce attended Elam Baptist Church during her early years, and later joined and was baptized at Little Elam Baptist Church. As a child, Joyce attended Henrico County Public Schools. As she grew older, Joyce also attended the Woodrow Wilson Training Center in Fishersville, VA, and later the Adult Developmental Center in Richmond, VA. She was employed by the Richmond ARC, and made candle holders and rugs in these jobs. Joyce benefited from these organizations that advocated for and supported people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Joyce enjoyed spending time with her family and traveling. She loved going to the beach with her mother and other family members. Joyce also enjoyed watching soap operas, and got emotionally involved with them. After the passing of her parents, Joyce's family extended beyond the Bell, Whitehead and Charity families. She was blessed to have the Craddocks as loving caregivers and "family."

Joyce is survived by her siblings, Rudolph ("Rudy") Bell, Jr., Warren Bell (JoAnne), Connie Barnes, Charmae Jackson (Melvin), Susan Miles (Anthony),

and Agatha Porterfield, and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She leaves us with many memories that taught us about perseverance, love and compassion.

A funeral service will be held 12noon Thursday, July 24, 2025, at Little Elam Baptist Church, 8840 Church Lane, Charles City, VA 23030. A viewing will be held 2 hours prior to services. Interment to follow in the Union Cemetery, 7710 Courthouse Rd, Providence Forge, VA 23140.

# Cemetery Details

## Union Cemetery

7710 Courthouse Rd  
Providence Forge, VA 23140

# Previous Events

## Viewing

JUL 24. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Little Elam Baptist Church  
8840 Church Lane  
Charles City, VA 23030  
(804) 829-2053

## Funeral Service

JUL 24. 12:00 PM (ET)

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8840 Church Lane  
Charles City, VA 23030  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Condolences to Warren Bell and Family, keeping you all lifted up in prayer*



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**Marilyn (Althea)Morton** - July 24, 2025 at 03:48 PM

RB

“ *Miss Joyce had a smile on her face and laughter, when seeing her at church. Family love on one another.*

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**Robin Bradby** - July 24, 2025 at 12:56 PM

RJ

“ *My deepest sympathy and sorrow to the Bells family.*

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**Ricky & Karen Jones** - July 24, 2025 at 11:35 AM

RB

“ *Richard Bowman lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell*



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**Richard Bowman** - July 23, 2025 at 10:48 PM

CT

“ *Cierra Tyler lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell*



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**Cierra Tyler** - July 23, 2025 at 05:58 PM

GC

“ *Geraldine Craddock lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell*



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**Geraldine Craddock** - July 23, 2025 at 05:19 PM

GC

*I was one of Miss Joyce's caregiver for 8 years she taught me so much about life she always had a smile and never complained about anything we travel together went to grocery stores she was my family I loved her and will miss her but I know that you are resting in Jesus arms now you fought a good fight I have finish my course I have kept the faith so take your rest until we meet again thank you Miss Joyce for sharing your life with me and my family*

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**Geraldine Craddock** - July 23, 2025 at 05:46 PM

MH

“Joyce was a bright light wherever she was and such an inspiration to all. We're grateful for the way her family cared for her and ensured she got to go wherever she wanted to go. She now lives in heaven, free from all of the earthly infirmities of this life. Rest in His Presence.



*The Hathaway Family*

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**Milton Hathaway** - July 23, 2025 at 01:32 PM

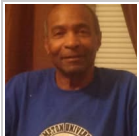
NR

“Ms. Joyce has left an indelible mark of joy that cannot be erased.



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**Niki Rae** - July 23, 2025 at 01:22 PM



“Sorry to see her go - William Mcneal



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**William Jones** - July 23, 2025 at 12:50 PM

JC

“ James & Sylvia Christian lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell



James & Sylvia Christian - July 23, 2025 at 08:01 AM

LJ

“ Lisa Jones sent a virtual gift in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell



Lisa Jones - July 22, 2025 at 10:33 PM

TW

“ Sorry For Your Loss



Thomas Widgeon - July 22, 2025 at 03:46 PM

EC

“ Eugene And Judy Crump lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell



Eugene and Judy Crump - July 22, 2025 at 03:29 PM



“ *Condolences to the family.*



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**Charlene Redman** - July 22, 2025 at 01:54 PM



“ *My prayers are with the family during this season of grief and sadness. May God be a Comforter and grant you all Peace*



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**Elwin Black** - July 22, 2025 at 01:46 PM

MA

“ *Mildred Bowman Adkins lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell*



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**Mildred Bowman Adkins** - July 22, 2025 at 11:50 AM

AL

“ *Alfreda Lewis lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell*



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**Alfreda Lewis** - July 22, 2025 at 11:44 AM

GW

“ Wishing you comfort and peace during this difficult time. Lester and Roberta Williams

Gladys Williams - July 22, 2025 at 11:00 AM

DP

“ Condolences and prayers for comfort to the Bell families!  
Ruffin and Delcenia Prentiss



Delcenia Prentiss - July 22, 2025 at 10:28 AM

CP

“ Prayers and condolences to the family .  
Charlotte Charity Peterson



Charlotte Charity Peterson - July 22, 2025 at 10:04 AM

DA

“ Darlene M Adkins lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell



Darlene M Adkins - July 21, 2025 at 11:09 PM

SW

“ *Sheila Wallace lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell*



sheila wallace - July 21, 2025 at 10:18 PM

SW

*I will always remember Joyce ,she had that pretty smile. Rest In Peace.*

sheila wallace - July 21, 2025 at 10:34 PM

BG

“ *Bonnie Gardner lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell*



Bonnie Gardner - July 21, 2025 at 09:46 PM

BG

*May God bless you and keep you during this time of sorrow.  
Phyllis Charity and girls,  
Juliette, Bonnie, Joie,  
Sharon, Linda and Marsha*

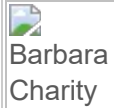
Bonnie Gardner - July 21, 2025 at 09:50 PM

FG

“ *Freddie&Pamela Ghee sent a virtual gift in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell*



Freddie&Pamela Ghee - July 21, 2025 at 07:23 PM



“ *Barbara Charity lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell*



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**Barbara Charity** - July 21, 2025 at 06:13 PM



*Rest in peace Joyce.*

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**Barbara Charity** - July 21, 2025 at 06:15 PM

JW

“ *Prayers and condolences to the family of Joyce Bell!*  
*Love,*  
*Joyce Braxton Williams*

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**Joyce Williams** - July 21, 2025 at 05:05 PM

RA

“ *Rennie Allen lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell*



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**Rennie Allen** - July 21, 2025 at 04:58 PM


WB

“ *Irving&Marion BANKS*



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**William I Banks** - July 21, 2025 at 04:02 PM

  
Barbara  
Charity

“ *Barbara Charity lit a candle in memory of  
Joyce Laverne Bell*



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**Barbara Charity** - July 21, 2025 at 03:40 PM

KT

“ *Keisa Thomas lit a candle in memory of Joyce  
Laverne Bell*



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**Keisa Thomas** - July 21, 2025 at 03:14 PM

JW

“ *Joyce Barbour Williams lit a candle in  
memory of Joyce Laverne Bell*



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**Joyce Barbour Williams** - July 21, 2025 at 12:31 PM

WM

“ *William “Tenny” Miles lit a candle in memory  
of Joyce Laverne Bell*



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**William “Tenny” Miles** - July 21, 2025 at 11:15 AM

CB

“ Charles Barbour lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell



Charles Barbour - July 21, 2025 at 10:57 AM

JC

“ We remember when cousin Joyce would stay at the house when Aunt Helen went on vacation. Cousin Joyce would raise that crutch if someone said something or did something that she did not like. Cousin Joyce fought a battle but won the victory. Rest easy cousin Joyce. We will miss you

Julie Christian and Sharon Christian - July 21, 2025 at 10:39 AM

KB

“ Kendall Black lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell



Kendall Black - July 21, 2025 at 09:18 AM

BB

“ Bonnie Sue Black lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell



Bonnie Sue Black - July 21, 2025 at 06:50 AM

SD

“ *Sonia Black Davenport lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell*



Sonia Black Davenport - July 21, 2025 at 06:48 AM

AJ

“ *Anthony And Ebony Jones lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell*



Anthony and Ebony Jones - July 21, 2025 at 12:44 AM

DJ

“ *Delores Johnson lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell*



Delores Johnson - July 20, 2025 at 09:42 PM

EB

“ *Ella Banks lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell*



Ella Banks - July 20, 2025 at 09:12 PM

CB

“ Cecil Banks lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell



Cecil Banks - July 20, 2025 at 09:10 PM

HC

“ Hugo Charity lit a candle in memory of Joyce Laverne Bell



Hugo Charity - July 20, 2025 at 07:53 PM

CA

“ Bell family: May you be comforted in the loss of your sister, Joyce.



Cynthia Graham Aaron - July 20, 2025 at 05:47 PM