



## Mrs. Frankie Lee Walker Holt

August 27, 1921 - October 1, 2016

Murfreesboro, TN 95

Passed away at Northside Rehabilitation Center.

Obituary Frankie Lee Walker Holt:

Frankie Lee Walker Holt, affectionately known as “Frankie”, was born in Columbia, TN on August 27, 1921 to the late Frank Walker and Lucille (Harrison) Walker. She was raised by her grandparents Bose Harrison and Louella (Harris) Harrison in Columbia, TN. She was one of 5 sisters. She departed this life on October 1, 2016 in Murfreesboro, TN at the Northside Health Care facility.

At the tender age of 18, she was married to Robert “Bobby” Holt, Sr. – a marriage that was “until death do you part.” He died in 1996. They had 5 children and 7 grandchildren. She and her husband were devoted members of St. Paul AME church in Columbia for over 50 years until they moved to Murfreesboro in 1993. They then moved their membership to Webb Grove AME church in Murfreesboro.

“Miss Frankie” was known for her friendly demeanor and devotion to family and friends. She never met a stranger and would always extend a helpful and assisting hand whenever and wherever she could.

She was extremely active in her community both in Columbia, where she lived for 72 years, and in Murfreesboro, where she lived for 23 years. In Columbia,

she was a devoted mother raising 5 children and her nephew (Treas Knott, Jr.-known as Junior) and was faithfully involved in the care and raising of several grandchildren. She would always do anything she could for her family. She was a very smart but “silent” business partner in her husband’s business. In Columbia, they successfully ran a “wood, ice and coal” business from 1916 until 1984. This was in an era when wood and coal was the only source of heat in the home and ice was the only method of refrigeration.

They ran a grocery store on 3rd St. and North High St. in the Macedonia section of Columbia from 1940 until 1960. They also had a real estate business in Columbia, where they owned and rented as many as 16 properties.

They were both very hard working and industrious and were examples of the notion of “one must work hard and take care of your family and be independent.”

Frankie was a graduate of College Hill High School and attended Tennessee A&I University (now Tennessee State), majoring in Education. Frankie worked as a teacher’s aide at Macedonia Elementary School and at the Columbia Impact Center for Special Needs Children during the 60’s and into the 70’s. Frankie was an excellent bowler, winning several tournaments in Columbia. She was also an excellent bridge player, participating and winning several tournaments while in Murfreesboro.

Frankie was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

She was a very devoted church member at St. Paul and Webb Grove, attending very faithfully every Sunday.

She was recently very active in the Webb Grove AME Church. Her activities included Sunday school teacher and superintendent, Birthday Circle president, Stewardess board member and treasurer, Women’s Auxiliary class leader and member and choir member.

Frankie also started the following activities at Webb Grove: Communion service design, Chair Exercise for seniors, Rainbow Tea, The 100 Women in Red “Covered by the Blood of Jesus” and Sunday School Day.

One of her proudest accomplishments was being consecrated a Deaconess in 2011 at the 144th Session of the Tennessee Annual Conference. Rev. Dr. Janie Dowdy-Dandridge placed the grey hat on her head and Bishop Vashti McKenzie, the 117th elected and consecrated Bishop of the AME Church, consecrated her a Deaconess in the African Methodist Episcopal Church at Greater Bethel AME Church, Nashville, TN.

Frankie was preceded in death by her husband of 55 years, Robert "Bobby" Holt, in 1996 and by her four sisters: Mary Elizabeth Walker Jennings Brown, Charlotte Louise Walker White, Dorothy Pearl Walker and Ellen Douglas Walker (Tootlum) Brantley.

Frankie leaves to mourn her homegoing her children, Dr. Robert Holt, Jr. (wife Cynthia) of Folsom, CA; Adrienne Lee Brown (Husband Calvin) of Nashville, TN; Vzea Louise Foster (Husband Eric) of Murfreesboro, TN; Raymond Dexter Holt of Murfreesboro, TN; and Randolph Clay Holt of Nashville, TN. She is survived by her grandchildren, Odell Jones of Nashville, TN; Erica, Calvin and Kenneth Foster of Murfreesboro, TN; Brittany Holt of Hawaii; Ashley Ladonna Holt of Columbia, TN; and Jayen Beech of Murfreesboro, TN. Of special mention is JoAnn Johnson, her "adopted" daughter, a beloved family member and mother of Jayden Beech.

Frankie will also be remembered by her numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

In CELEBRATION of YOU we say WELCOME HOME, Miss Frankie!

In lieu of flowers Frankie asked that you contribute to her grandson's scholarship fund. Make checks payable to "Jayden Beech Trust" at any Bank of America Branch.

Indicate in the memo that the account is in Murfreesboro, TN.

Please keep the Holt Family in your prayers.

# Cemetery Details

## **Pinecrest Memorial Park**

2391 Nashville Highway  
Columbia, TN 2391

# Previous Events

## **Visitation with Friends and Family**

OCT 7. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Webb Grove AME Church  
3996 Barfield Crescent Road  
Murfreesboro, TN 37128

## **Visitation**

OCT 8. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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3996 Barfield Crescent Road  
Murfreesboro, TN 37128

## **Service**

OCT 8. 10:30 AM (CT)

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## Repast

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OCT 8. 2:30 PM (CT)

St. Paul AME Church  
405 Church Street  
Columbia, TN 38401

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Frankie Lee Walker Holt*

January 29, 2023 at 11:39 AM



“ *Mrs. Frankie Lee Walker Holt*

January 29, 2023 at 07:58 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Frankie Lee Walker Holt.*



October 06, 2016 at 02:35 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Frankie Lee Walker Holt.*



October 06, 2016 at 02:03 PM



“ *Adrienne & Family, you all are in our prayers & thoughts.*

*Sincerely,  
Annette Martin & Family*

**Annette Martin & Family** - October 04, 2016 at 08:51 AM

AB

“ *Adrienne, Ray and family, I am truly sorry about the passing of your mother Sis. Holt. She was an amazing lady and I will truly miss her singing. Heaven is happy. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Sincerely,*

*Cedric and Andrea Benford and Family*

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**Andrea Benford** - October 03, 2016 at 02:06 PM

RH

*It is such a blessing to hear from you and reading your post truly touched my heart just as your memories of all the good times we shared as a church family together. Thank you for your thoughts and prayers. ..Ray*

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**Raymond Holt** - October 04, 2016 at 04:05 PM

SJ

“ *Sylvia Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Frankie Lee Walker Holt*



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**sylvia Jackson** - October 03, 2016 at 11:19 AM



“ *Charlotte Hurd lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Frankie Lee Walker Holt*



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**Charlotte Hurd** - October 03, 2016 at 07:32 AM



“ *Charlotte Hurd lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Frankie Lee Walker Holt*



Charlotte Hurd - October 03, 2016 at 07:31 AM

BP

“ *Betty Petty sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Frankie Lee Walker Holt*



Betty Petty - October 02, 2016 at 08:45 PM

RJ

*Adrienne;  
I'm so sorry to hear about this and hope she did not spend her last days suffering ! I know how close you two were, but I also know what a long, full & rich life she had ! All you can do in times like this is surround yourself with family and share the memories all of you have ! There is nothing that can make it better, but the passing of time will make it easier ! Cindy & I will be out of town, so I'm not sure I will get to see you, and for that I am truly sorry !! You know how much you mean to me, and my thoughts and love are with you !! Please let me know if there is anything I can do !!*

Rick Jones - October 04, 2016 at 09:39 AM

BP

“ *Betty Petty lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Frankie Lee Walker Holt*



Betty Petty - October 02, 2016 at 08:44 PM