



Stella Chavis

January 23, 1930 - April 16, 2012

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Mrs. Stella Mae Chavis was born to the late Hershell and Viola Tubbs Smith, in Temperance Hall, TN. She was acquainted with God at an early age and was baptized in Watertown, Tennessee, where she was raised.

After meeting and marrying "Billy" Chavis, she moved briefly to New York, then to Detroit, MI. Stella was a working wife and mother of their two children, Rochelle and Jerome, but still found time to have fun...especially with her "siblings" in the Bass family, who were childhood friends in Watertown and had also moved to Detroit. She and Billy eventually retired and relocated to Watertown, where she was active in the community (from volunteer service to City Council candidate) and remained until God called her home.

She leaves to cherish her memory her son Jerome Chavis (Atlanta, GA); daughter Rochelle Chavis (Los Angeles, CA); granddaughter, Sommer Woods (Detroit, MI) and grandson Aaron Chavis (San Francisco, CA); sister, Francis (Smith) Avery (Detroit, MI); foster sister Maxine (Harris) Bruce (Detroit, MI) and foster brother John D. Harris, Jr. (Lebanon, TN); a host of treasured family members and friends, including Jo Doris Pride (Lebanon, TN), Steven

and Jenny Smith (Watertown, TN), Paulette King (Watertown, TN), Chartise Vantrease (Watertown, TN), Joyce Frazier (Dallas, TX), Debra McClain (Murfreesboro, TN), Talona Humbert (Atlanta, GA), Rita Bates (Murfreesboro, TN) and Family Staffing Solutions, as well as her church families at Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist and Dowell Chapel United Methodist churches.

Stella was preceded in death by her loving husband of 43 years, "Billy" Chavis; sisters: Lois (Smith) Lawrence, Corinne (Smith) Muirhead and Dorothy Jean Smith; brothers Odell Smith and Leon Smith; foster sister Darlene (Harris) Roy and foster brother Ben Harris.

The family gladly accepts flowers. THE STELLA CHAVIS MEMORIAL FUND has been set up through Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, Watertown, Tennessee. Please make all contributions payable to: Mt. Zion Baptist Church.

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Stella Chavis Memorial Fund

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Tribute Wall



“ *Stella Chavis*

January 29, 2023 at 11:39 AM



“ *Stella Chavis*

January 29, 2023 at 07:58 AM



“ *Mom and I shared alot of goodtimes together,from trips to the nail spa to bingo at the VFW.She was a ray of sunshine in my life and I was bless to be able to take care of her.She will forever be in my heart.*

Love Always, Tee

Talona Humbert (Tee) - March 29, 2013 at 01:08 PM



“ *We're sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. May God continue to keep his loving arms around you and give you peace.*

Thomas & Evon Douglas - March 29, 2013 at 01:08 PM



“ *Jerome and Rochelle I am saden with the passing of your mother she will truly be missed by everyone. You know she was one of a kind and I will miss our Sunday visits.Keep GOD in your life and everything will be okay.*

Dianne Bates - March 29, 2013 at 01:08 PM

DM

“ *Stella Chavis*

Deborah McClain - March 29, 2013 at 01:08 PM

FD

“ *To Stella's Family: Sorry for your loss..We are praying for you!*

The Davenport Family/Michigan

Frances Davenport - March 29, 2013 at 01:08 PM

FD

“ *Stella..I will miss you and will remember all the good memories at work (Dobbs House) and all the good memories bowling together...God Bless you. Rest in Peace!!!!*

Frances Davenport

Frances Davenport - March 29, 2013 at 01:08 PM

MW

“ *Jerome,Rochelle,extending much sympathy to you and your family during this time of sorrow, praying that GOD will comfort you and give you strength.I will miss her too, she was one of the most loveliest lady I know, GOD bless, an love you.*

Mary A. Woods - March 29, 2013 at 01:08 PM

NB

“ To the family,
Estella was a very special person to me, she share her wisdom through out my life. Estella was a was much more than a friend, to me and my family. We'll always have special place in our hearts for Stella. Stella will be deeply missed. thank you for sharing her with us. Love, Norma,Willie and Devin

Norma Bush - March 29, 2013 at 01:08 PM

JD

“ *Jerome, Rochelle,May the sweet spirit of GOD fill your heart with peace, and comfort you in every way during this difficult time. we will miss STELLA..love you.*

Joyce Douglas - March 29, 2013 at 01:08 PM