



ARETTA MONTGOMERY

June 6, 1938 - July 6, 2016

Aretta Montgomery, 78, of Kankakee, died Wednesday, July 6, 2016 at Citadel Care Center, Kankakee. Visitation will be Friday, July 15, 2016 from 5:00 until 7:00 P.M. at Lax Mortuary and again on Saturday, July 16, 2016 from 9:00 A.M. until time of funeral services at 10:00 A.M. at Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church. Reverend Kenneth Edward Copeland will deliver the eulogy. Burial will be in Mound Grove Gardens of Memory.

Aretta Montgomery was born June 6, 1938 in Lake, Mississippi to Hilmor and Maggie Parker Moore. She was a member of Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church and sang in the choir. Prior to that, she had been a longtime member of Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church and the choir, where her fine rendering of "I'll Be Home for Christmas" is still very memorable.

Ms. Montgomery was united in marriage to Johnie B. Montgomery on September 22, 1956 and to their union six children were born. She had been employed by Manteno State Hospital and Shapiro Developmental Center. She enjoyed baking, knitting and arts and crafts.

She leaves to cherish her memory, three sons and two daughters-in-law, Mark and Danita Montgomery and Lorenzo and Sharon Montgomery, all of Dallas, TX and Travis Montgomery of Dwight, IL; three daughters, Glenda Montgomery of Kankakee, IL, Maxine Montgomery of Jackson, Missouri and

Valerie Alexander of Bourbonnais, IL; her father, Hilmor Moore of Lake, Mississippi; two brothers, Clabe Moore of Kansas City, Missouri and Larry Moore of Detroit, MI; five sisters and one brother-in-law, Willie Mae Crawford of Union City, CA, Doris Banks of Kankakee, IL, Nannie Moore of Pearl, Mississippi, Dorothy and Jackie Bradford of Forest, Mississippi and Mary Price of Springfield, IL; 11 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; one aunt, Geneva Sims of Morton, Mississippi; one uncle, Oliver Moore of Lake, Mississippi; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband and her mother.

Tribute Wall

KT

“ *with heartfelt sympathy, may God continue to keep and sustain you all, Love, Kevin and Jimmie Ruth Tanzie*

Kevin Tanzie - July 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TH

Thank you

Tiffany Hutson - May 03, 2021 at 08:17 AM

TH

*Thank you.
I am Arettas grand daughter*

Tiffany Hutson - May 03, 2021 at 08:17 AM

HF

“ *To Aretta's Family
May God Continue to comfort you in such a time as this. Know that Ester Parker- Roberson family is thinking about you. Remember the time you had with her. Love, Peace and the Gospel of Jesus Christ*
...

H2Owalker Family - July 22, 2016 at 12:00 AM

VG

“ *God bless all of the Montgomery family. Mrs. Montgomery was an incredible and amazing woman who was always very pleasant and had an amazing love for God as she sang in the Morning Star choir. I will surely miss seeing her in the Kankakee community. God b*

Veretta Gray - July 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“ *My deepest condolences to the Montgomery family. Rett was a beautiful person inside and out, she will be missed. May you find peace in God.*

Patricia Jamison - July 15, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ *You loved Mother Montgomery
This I am sure,
Another thing of which
I am sure
GOD loved her more!*

Remembering your family in prayer.

Sincerely,

MaryAnne Toliver

Maryanne Toliver - July 15, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ *May God bless the family in their time of loss.*

Alfred Fulton - July 15, 2016 at 12:00 AM

5W

“ *May God bless & keep Aretta. She was a very lovely lady. We missed seeing her less frequently as her illness progressed. So happy she is with our Lord. May he bless & comfort her loved ones.
Brian & Maryann Bertsch & staff.r07i*

5th ave car wash - July 15, 2016 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ *May God`s deep love comfort you during the loss of your loved one.*

ELAYNE COFFIE - July 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ *I offer my deepest condolence to the entire family, may the Lord bless and keep you...*

Terry Wilson-Lloyd - July 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ *May God continue to Bless and Keep each of you is my prayer. Love you all.....*

Carolyn Rice - July 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ *To The Family Sorry For Your Loss*

Catherine jackson - July 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ *Praying strength for you all--Much Love-----*

Shelley Doggett - July 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

EL

“ *My sincere condolences to the family. I love you Godmother and I will always hold you in my heart. Rest on Sweet Angel, you have earned your reward.*

Ethel Lee - July 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ *My condolences to the family.*

Cheryl Wilson - July 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ *She was like a mother to me. I will miss u. Love u Mrs. Montgomery*

Angela Azbell - July 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *Condolences and prayers to the family of Aretta Montgomery. She was truly a beautiful and warm woman of distinction. She will be missed!*

Joyce Shoemaker - July 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM