



ERNESTINE STALLING

April 6, 1942 - April 9, 2017

Ernestine "Rosie" Stalling, 75, of Joliet, IL, formerly of Kankakee, IL, died Sunday, April 9, 2017 at Sunny Hill Nursing Home of Will County in Joliet, IL. Visitation will be Monday, April 17, 2017 from 6:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M. at Lax Mortuary and again on Tuesday, April 18, 2017 from 9:30 A.M. until time of Funeral Services at 10:30 A.M. at Lax Mortuary. Reverend Dr. Winfred Obleton will officiate. Burial will be in Mound Grove Gardens of Memory.

Mrs. Ernestine "Rosie" Riley Stalling was born April 6, 1942 in Tutwiler, Mississippi to the late Tommy Riley and Lilly Mae Harris and raised by her late grandfather and grandmother, Tom Riley "Papa Tom" and Janie Bea Riley. Although she is the only child from Tommy and Lilly Mae, Rosie has twenty one brothers and sisters in which she is the oldest (eleven from her Father side and ten from her Mother side).

Rosie knew the Lord and received Jesus at a young age. Growing up on the South Side of Kankakee, the family lived behind Shiloh Baptist Church located on Dearborn Avenue and was actively involved in the life of the church.

Rosie graduated from Kankakee Sr. High School in 1960. On March 10, 1961, she married Thomas Stalling and to that union three children (Gary, Loreal and Troylyn "Troy") were born.

While in Kankakee, Rosie attended Chicago Beauty School and eventually setup shop at home until she later became employed as a Mental Health Technician for the Kankakee State Hospital (Shapiro Developmental Center) and Elizabeth Ludeman Center for Children. For hobbies, she served as a captain of a weekly bowling league, "Tuesday Morning Ladies," she was passionate about fishing and maintained an annual garden in Sun River Terrace, IL.

In 1992, she relocated to Joliet, IL where she had several positions as a Certified Nursing Assistant in various Nursing Home centers before she settled and eventually retired from the Sunny Hill Rehab Center in Jan 2006.

In February of 2006 (one month after retirement), Rosie suffered a massive stroke that left her paralyzed on the left side. For eleven years, Rosie resided at Sunny Hill Rehab Center for care until the Lord called her home at the age of 75 on Sunday April 9, 2017.

Rosie leaves to cherish her memory, her husband, Thomas Stalling of Kankakee, IL; one son, Gary Stalling of Joliet, IL and one daughter, Loreal (DeWitt Jr.) Tolbert of Gurnee, IL; her siblings from her father's side, Andrienne Harris of Kankakee, IL, Evelyn (Jerry) Thomas of Champaign, IL, Everette "Tony" Riley of Champaign, IL, Terry (John) Harris of Kankakee, IL, Sharon "Shannae" Riley of Minneapolis, MN, Robert Riley of Kankakee, IL, Danny Riley of Champaign, IL, Lenelle (Brenda) Riley of Kankakee, IL, Wanda "Wendy" (Donnie) Muhammed of Kankakee, IL, Darrell "Dale" (Ida) Riley of Kankakee, IL and Kristian "Kristy" Riley of Rantoul, IL; siblings from her mother's side, Mel (Irene) Peterson of Milwaukee, WI, Sarah (Lee) Bell of Kankakee, IL, Ginnie "Faye" (Larry) Thompson of Harvey, LA, Rachell (Billie) Moore of New Orleans, LA, Perry (Janice) Peterson of Homestead, FL, Alouise Antoine of Harvey, LA, Percy (Janet)

Stone of New Orleans, LA and Verdell (Aisha) Stone of New Orleans, LA; eight grandchildren; several aunts and uncles and a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, in-laws and friends.

She was preceded in death by a son, Troylyn "Troy" Stalling; her father, Tommy Riley; her mother, Lilly Mae Stone; two brothers, Jimmy Peterson and Harry Peterson; her grandfather, Tom Riley; her grandmother, Janie Bea Riley and three uncles, Lorenzo Riley, James "Buddy-Roe" Riley and James Handy (Riley).

Tribute Wall

AA

“ My heart sadness that I can't be there to see you off home sis, but I know that you are at peace now, home with the rest of the family that's home. Till we all meet again. Much love Gary & Loreal, auntie got y'all in prayers.

Aloise Antoine - April 18, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ sorry for your loss, you are in our thoughts and prayers
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Jimmie Ruth and Kevin Tanzie - April 18, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LJ

“ My condolences to The Stalling, Tolbert, Riley Families and Friends.

Lucy Jacobs - April 18, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Rip sis I love you ã°À_ËœÂç

Sharon Riley - April 18, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ I would like to express my sadness and sorrow for the loss of your love one.

Jerome D Pankey - April 17, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ I did not know your mother personally, but I was L'Oreal's piano teacher at LCC. L'Oreal was a really sweet, wonderful student, so I know she got her good qualities from her parents. Though this memory is of L'Oreal, not your mom, I t

Jeanne Benson - April 16, 2017 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ So sorry for your loss there's no sorrow that heaven can't heal. May God continue to give you peace and comfort you at this time.
Cathleen Riley Taylor.

Cathleen Riley Taylor - April 16, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Extending condolences and prayerful sympathies to the family during this time.

Joyce Shoemaker - April 16, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ my condolence

JOANN BOX - April 15, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ We wish to send our deepest condolences and prayers to the family at this time.

Michael & Rita Morris - April 14, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ YOU HAVE MY HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES. I KNEW, WORKED WITH AND LOVED ROSIE FOE YEARS

DEBORAH BRENT RED - April 14, 2017 at 12:00 AM