



Mattie Bell Towles

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Mattie Bell (Robertson) Towles departed this life on Friday, September 27, 2019 at the Brookdale Senior Living Facility in Cincinnati, OH. She was preceded in death by her parents, Leo and Rosie (Tisdale) Robertson; three brothers, H.C., Lee Arthur, and Silas; and a sister, Anna.

Mattie was born on June 14, 1934 in Somerville, TN. She married the late Mayo Towles on February 7, 1954. She was baptized into Christ at the Klondike Church of Christ in Memphis, TN.

From 1962 until 1968 Mayo and Mattie ministered at the Church of Christ in Water Valley, Mississippi, driving the 160 miles round-trip from Memphis every Sunday. In 1968, she and Mayo accepted a preaching position at the East North Street Church of Christ in Decatur, IL, which became the Jasper Street Church of Christ. Mattie was a member of the Ladies Fellowship Group, the Jasper Street Singers, and the Illinois Chapter of the Bowser Women of Southwestern Christian College. In all, Mayo and Mattie worked together in ministry for over 50 years.

Mattie leaves to cherish her memory: sons William (Carmella) Towles of Cincinnati, OH and Kenneth (Barbara) Shaw of Memphis, TN; god-daughter Elaine (Keith) Brodnax of Memphis, TN; grandchildren Keith Andre Smith of Beverly, NJ, Christina Lynn Towles of Oak Park, IL, and Jeffrey Alan Towles of Cincinnati, OH; great-grandchildren Amir Malik Samos, Xavier Amaru Calip, and Jenesis Christine Towles.

Visitation will be at the Jasper Street Church of Christ Saturday, October 12, 2019, from 9 AM – 11 AM. Funeral services will follow immediately at 11 AM. Interment will be at Macon County Memorial Park following the services.

Arrangements by Moran & Goebel Funeral Home, 2801 N. Monroe St., Decatur, IL 62526. Condolences and memories may be shared at www.moranandgoebel.com.



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CC

Carlos Caldwell posted:

Love you grandma Towles. My grandma, mother, all, you taught me respect and how to give it all, how to keep my faith in God and what to say when I fall "well don't you believe that God" is all I hear, when I'm sad lonely depressed, your voice lingers near. I worked hard to try and see you off, but you'd already visited me, and everyday I reflect on you. Maybe it's good I couldn't see you for sometime, last I remember you, you had on your flats, and fly hat, and said let's go. You and grandpa taught me how to have a family and care for a church. I miss you more then words I can express. I hope all the family is comforted in the word of God. My deepest condolences. I continue now, to try and make you proud. I love you so much grandma, and I can't be there because, I'm trying to stand on my two feet and make you proud. I'm glad you and Grandpa Towles are together again, you know y'all have been married "all your lives." Tell my Mama I said hello. I understand to be gone from this world, is to be present with the Lord, May we all, your children you have raise from generations till now, follow the lead you and Grandpa died teaching us, and may your memory live on forever more???? Sincerely, Grandson: Carlos A.

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October 12 at 8:54 AM

RA

Robert, Sheila, And Alicia posted:

Our condolences to the Towles family. Sis. Towles will truly be missed! She was a mentor and inspired our family and no doubt many others. She and her late husband, Bro. Mayo Towles, dedicated their lives to teaching others about Christ for over 50 years. Sis. Towles would often say her motivation was to make it to Heaven. We will forever be indebted to Bro. and Sis. Towles for their genuine love. Gone But Never Forgotten!!!

October 11 at 2:35 PM



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BR

Belinda Dalton- Russell posted:

Condolences to the family of Mattie Bell Towles ?? She will be long remembered for her warm compassionate heart, great sense of humor, and contagious smile. Her loud infectious laugh was easily identifiable without knowledge of her presence. Her faith and devotion to God, husband, family and church was unfaltering. Sister Towles was an incredibly beautiful and strong woman who had a common sense approach to resolving issues. She was inclusive and instantly made me feel like family. Being a ministers wife brings many rewards, sacrifices, adjustments and expectations. Sister Towles confidently stood by her husband, remained humble and willing to help him fill his high calling of ministry and her own for more than 50 years. She gave up valuable family time and vacation time for church time, held her tongue at times when others may have spoken and proved resilient living the glass house life. She will always be a positive example and respectable role model to all. I will always love, respect and dearly miss you sister Mattie Bell Towles you are the best of the best ... it doesn't get better than you. ????? Love Belinda Russell

October 10 at 12:51 PM

DF

Darla Porch And Family posted:

To the family of Sis. Towles, we are so sorry for your loss. Sis. Towles was an inspiring role model to the young ladies growing up in the church, such as myself. She always had a welcoming and encouraging smile, even when chastising us in our youth. Now she has found her peace and rest and will be sorely missed. We are blessed with fond memories!

October 10 at 4:44 AM

ER

Ervin & Rose posted:

Ever so sorry for the loss of Ma Towles. The entire family will be in our thoughts and prayers. Know that she at peace, awaiting the 2nd coming of Christ, so that we may all see her again.

October 7 at 6:33 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Mattie by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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