



Bessie Freeman Watson

December 16, 1948 - April 1, 2022

Bessie Freeman Watson of Suffolk, VA departed this life on Friday, April 1, 2022, at Sentara Leigh Hospital in Norfolk, VA. A native of Gates Co., NC she was born on December 16, 1948, to the late Linwood Freeman and Alice Jones Freeman.

She worked as the Coordinator of Educational Services at Norfolk State University.

She leaves to cherish her memories: one daughter, Ladorya Watson; one son, Harrison Watson, Jr. both of Suffolk, VA; three sisters Esther Dildy (Calvin) of Suffolk, VA, Iris Green (Melvin) of Gates, NC and Helen Edoff (Kenneth) of Edenton, NC; one brother, Lenwood Freeman of Gates, NC; three grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and many friends.

MASKS ARE STILL REQUIRED FOR ALL VISITATIONS AND SERVICES.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 10. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Palm Tree Baptist Church
8165 Whaleyville Blvd
Suffolk, VA 23438

Live Stream of Services

APR 11. 12:00 PM.

Youtube: Oak Grove Baptist Church

Service

APR 11. 12:00 PM (ET)

Oak Grove Baptist
2635 East Washington Street
Suffolk, VA

Tribute Wall

RB

“ Harrison, Sr, Harrison, Jr and Ladorya, my condolences to you on today and beyond. Bessie one of my wonderful, beautiful and loving Cousins. Although we did see each other often, once we did, it always felt like no time had passed between us. Take care and continue to lean on God. Some days may be filled with tears and some days with Joy of pleasant, precious memories, however God never ever changes and I continue learn He really listens in our times of sorry.

*Love you all Family,
Ruby Baker-Snead*

Ruby Baker-Snead - April 11, 2022 at 07:40 AM

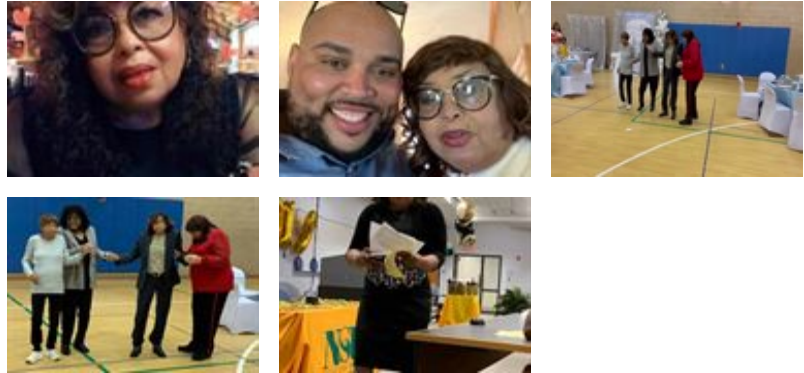
MC

“ May Bessie’s soul Rest In Peace. She will always have a special place in my heart. With sincere prayers and sympathy to the family. We will always be family and share so many memories.
Maryhelen Cross-Sidky and family

mary cross-sidky - April 10, 2022 at 10:58 PM



“ 29 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Hunter's Funeral Home - April 10, 2022 at 08:09 PM



“ *Ella Cross lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson*



Ella Cross - April 10, 2022 at 06:15 PM



“ *Margie Copeland lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson*



Margie Copeland - April 10, 2022 at 02:03 PM

CE

“ I am so sorry to hear of the transition of your sister, mom, grandmother, aunt, and friend. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers. May God grant you peace in the coming months, weeks, days, hours, and moments until you meet again.

Celeste

Celeste Eure - April 09, 2022 at 06:31 PM

AW

“ Athaline Lassiter Watford lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson



Athaline Lassiter Watford - April 09, 2022 at 03:04 PM

LR

“ Linwood And Emma Riddick lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson



Linwood and Emma Riddick - April 09, 2022 at 02:52 PM

LR

Friend of the family sending love to all

Linwood and Emma Riddick - April 09, 2022 at 02:55 PM

NS

“ Noah E Davis Sr - Funera Funding Special lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson



Noah E Davis Sr - Funera Funding Special - April 09, 2022 at 08:12 AM

RD

“ I was saddened to hear of Bessie's transition. We met at Portsmouth DSS and became fast friends. Could always count on bumping into her in Ross, Marshall's, or TJ Maxx. Ladorya & Family may God grant you strength, peace and love during the days to come. May her legacy live on in all of you!

Rev. Marvette Hines DeCree - April 08, 2022 at 06:41 PM



“ The Endless Sky Spray was purchased for the family of Bessie Freeman Watson.



April 08, 2022 at 06:08 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bessie Freeman Watson.



April 08, 2022 at 05:21 PM

MM

“ My condolences to the Watson family in the loss of Mrs. Watson. She worked with my mother years ago at VPI Extension and your family was our neighbor in Hollywood. Mrs. Watson was beautiful inside and out and I am so sorry to hear of her passing. Praying for you all during this difficult time.

Michele Brockington-Mason

MICHELE BROCKINGTON MASON - April 08, 2022 at 11:08 AM

AM

“ Ladorya, I am so very sorry to hear about your mama. She was a great friend and I will miss our many conversations and catching up on our families. She always brought a smile to anyone who knew her. Keeping you and your family in my thoughts and prayers.

Amy Miller - April 08, 2022 at 09:23 AM

CW

“ Sending my deepest condolences to the Family. Ms. Watson will truly be missed.



C.L. Watson - April 07, 2022 at 10:29 PM

VB

“ VBHEC purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Bessie Freeman Watson.



VBHEC - April 07, 2022 at 02:56 PM

SW

“ Ms. Freeman was a very nice person. Our daughters are best friends and over the years when I came in contact with Ms Freeman, we truly enjoyed each other’s company. She will be truly missed. My prayers go out to the family during this time of their loss.

Sharon Williams - April 07, 2022 at 12:37 PM

RG

“ Thinking of you and praying for you doing these difficult times.



Rita Gatling-Brinkley - April 07, 2022 at 10:21 AM

RD

“ Mrs. Watson, was a very nice and sweet person. My husband I would see her in stores and she would always stop and speak to us, and carry on a nice conversation. I will pray for the family and ask God to grant the family peace and strength during this time of sorrow. Rest In Paradise Mrs. Bessie Watson.

From,
Gerald and Robin Davis

Robin Davis - April 07, 2022 at 10:17 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Bessie Freeman Watson.



April 06, 2022 at 04:21 PM

CL

“ *Clifton & Ella Langston lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson*



Clifton & Ella Langston - April 06, 2022 at 03:13 PM

MR

“ *Bessie always had a kind word and a warm heart. The love she shared will be missed. My condolences to her family and everyone who knew and loved her.*

Marc Russell - April 06, 2022 at 02:46 PM

MJ

“ *I remember Bessie as a fellow classmate, and an outstanding track star at Central High School. She was a wonderful person and friend. My prayers and condolences goes out to the family.*



Mary Sykes Jones - April 06, 2022 at 02:18 PM

AR

“ On behalf of the Central High School Class of 1967 we send heartfelt prayers and condolences to the family. It is our prayer that Gods love and shared memories will comfort and sustain you in the days ahead. We have very fond memories of our time together in high school and of our reunions through the years. Our lives are richer because Bessie was a part of our journey.



*Andrew Ryan
Class President*

Andrew Ryan - April 06, 2022 at 02:15 PM

SW

“ SARAH WILSON lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson



SARAH WILSON - April 06, 2022 at 12:10 PM

MC

“ McEIl And Margaret Cross lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson



McEIl and Margaret Cross - April 05, 2022 at 10:43 PM



“ *Reginald Williams lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson*



Reginald Williams - April 05, 2022 at 06:13 PM

CP

“ *Carnesha Parker lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson*



Carnesha Parker - April 05, 2022 at 04:49 PM

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ST

“ *Sarah "Ree" Travis lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson*



Sarah "Ree" Travis - April 05, 2022 at 04:43 PM

JW

“Joyce White-Johnson lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson



Joyce White-Johnson - April 05, 2022 at 04:00 PM

JW

Sending my Condolences to the family

Joyce White-Johnson - April 05, 2022 at 04:02 PM

FM

My condolences to family and friends. Bessie really had a loving spirit. She will be missed. Faye Mingo Chesapeake Social Services VIEW Program

Faye Mingo - April 07, 2022 at 09:20 AM

AH

“Angela Hall lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson



Angela Hall - April 05, 2022 at 03:35 PM

CF

“C4AC FAMILY purchased the Simply Elegant Sp athiphyllum for the family of Bessie Freeman Watson.



C4AC FAMILY - April 05, 2022 at 11:55 AM

DL

“ *Dee Lassiter-Norment lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson*



Dee Lassiter-Norment - April 05, 2022 at 08:02 AM

MB

“ *Mattie Briscoe lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson*



Mattie Briscoe - April 05, 2022 at 05:28 AM

ME

“ *Mary Eason lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson*



Mary Eason - April 05, 2022 at 03:26 AM

FD

“ *Faye Knight Darden lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson*



Faye Knight Darden - April 04, 2022 at 09:35 PM

MW

“ *Sending my condolences to LaDorya, Harrison Jr. and the rest of the family. You are all in my prayers. Praying for God's comfort over you during this difficult time.*

Michelle Wills - April 04, 2022 at 08:45 PM

SJ

“ *Sharon Johnson lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson*



Sharon Johnson - April 04, 2022 at 08:30 PM

SJ

My condolences to the family. May God comfort and strengthen you all.

Sharon Johnson - April 04, 2022 at 08:32 PM

AK

SENDING LOVE AND PRAYER TO THE FAMILY LOVE YALL

ALTON KNIGHT - April 05, 2022 at 12:25 PM

EJ

“ *Condolences to the family.*



Ernest & Minnie Jordan - April 04, 2022 at 08:15 PM

FH

“ Fred & Gloria Harvey lit a candle in memory of Bessie Freeman Watson



Fred & Gloria Harvey - April 04, 2022 at 07:53 PM



“ Heartfelt condolences to the family I know I will truly miss Bessie. May the lord give you all the strength to find comfort, and keep you always
love Charles, Robin and Tyrrell Baker



Robin Quarles-Baker - April 04, 2022 at 07:44 PM

FJ

“ To be absent from the body is to be present with the lord. May my cousin Bessie rest in heavenly peace. Condolences to her daughter, grandchildren, sisters and brother.



Fannie, Bessie, Audrey, Lillian, Fred and J - April 04, 2022 at 05:08 PM

RS

“ I remember Bessie at Palm Tree. Great lady, we will miss her, but God knows what he is doing. Our prayers and blessings go out to the family.

Rev. Dr. W. Michael Smith - April 04, 2022 at 04:26 PM

SM

“ *Bessie was a proud glamorous woman who took pride in herself, her children and her life. A cousin who could love and share RIP* 🦋💔🌹



Sarah Montague - April 04, 2022 at 03:28 PM

DH

“ *Condolences to the family*



Delores Harvey - April 04, 2022 at 03:23 PM