



Mrs. Mary Irene Brooks

September 21, 1930 - May 1, 2022

Mary Irene Elliott Brooks was born on September 21, 1930, to Bill and Viola Elliott. She received her angel wings on May 1, 2022.

She accepted Christ at an early age at Harrison Chapel in Rosston, AR. She was a member of Providence in Rockford, Illinois. She became a member of Antioch M.B.C. under the leadership of Rev. Bobby J. Box, Sr, where she served on the Mother Board, Usher Board, Sunday School, and the Mission, and wherever she was needed. She loved cooking, going fishing, and taking food to the sick.

She met and married James C. Bazzelle in 1949, to this union (2) sons were born and (1) son preceded her in death, James C. Bazzelle Jr. Later in life, she met and married Willie Norris in 1967, and she became the guardian mother to (3) sons and (1) daughter. Later in life she met and married Johnnie Brooks.

Mary worked for Pacific Scientific (formerly Honeywell) in Rockford, Ill, for 10 years, and for the Board of Education as a Community Liaison Worker. Moving back to Arkansas, she worked for Nevada High School Chapter One.

She leaves to cherish her memories; (1) son, Larry Bazzelle (Deborah) of Camden, AR, (3) Guardian sons, Gregory Norris (Martha), Willie Norris Jr

both of Chicago, Ill, Carl Norris (Gerline) of Rockford, Ill; (1) Guardian Daughter, Gloria Norris of Memphis, TN; (1) Brother, Hersey Elliott of Camden, AR; (2) Sisters, Lorene Thrist of Rockford, Ill, and Janie Braddix of Augusta, GA; (6) Grandchildren, Jeffery (Kimberly) of Las Vegas, NV, Shondalyn of Wichita, KS, Sheriaka (aka black gal) of Barstow, CA, Laretha, Roshanda (Peaché) (Derwin), Lawrence all of Los Angeles, CA; (16) Great Grandchildren, Shakayla, Jalen, DeAndre D, Paris (Tyrone), Todd, Deryl, DeAndre P, Davlin, Destiney, Jare, Ericka, Rene'e, Sherrelle, and Tyreke; (9) Great-Great Grandchildren; (7) Guardian Grandchildren; (28) Great Guardian Grandchildren; (21) Great-Great Grandchildren; (1) Godson, Lashon Braddix (Jerry) of Little Rock, AR; (1) Goddaughter, Francine Reddy of Rockford, Ill; Special Sons and Daughters/Friends, Rev. Bobby & Lois J. Box and family, Johnnie Powell, Connie Green, Mr. & Mrs. Reggie Cooper, Rubye Porter, Bernice Lamar, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Homegoing services will be held Saturday, May 14th, 2022, at Antioch Missionary Baptist Church in Stephens, AR, at 12:00 p.m., with burial to follow at Harrison Chapel Cemetery in Rosston, AR, under the direction of R.L. Reed Funeral Home, LLC. Pastor Bobby J. Box Sr, Officiant/Eulogist.

Visitation will be Friday, May 13th, from 12:00 – 3:00 p.m., at R.L. Reed Funeral Home in Magnolia, AR.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, "Everyone Is Required to Wear a Mask While Attending the Services and During Visitation Hours." This ensures safety for you and others. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Cemetery Details

Harrison Chapel cemetery

1019 Highway 76
Rosston, AR

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 14. 12:00 PM (CT)

Antioch Baptist Church
3024 Highway 57
Stephens, AR

Tribute Wall



“ *Pamela Shaw lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Irene Brooks*



Pamela Shaw - May 16, 2022 at 10:59 PM

PC

“ *Mother Mary Brooks was a beacon of light and joy to me. She stepped into my place of business FASHION AFFAIR BOUTIQUE years ago; I called her "QUEEN OF FASHIONS" She loved beautiful clothes and hats!! We became friends and she called me daughter. I called her Mother Brooks. I was one of many of her spiritual daughters. She forever left a lasting impression of her love upon my life. She was simply "THE BEST" of."THE BEST !!!*

Pastor Patricia A. Curry - May 14, 2022 at 10:25 AM

OJ

“ *Praying for the family sorry for your loss May God Bless*



Olivia Yarbrough Johnson - May 13, 2022 at 02:26 AM

CW

“ *Cousin Fay White lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Irene Brooks*



Cousin Fay White - May 10, 2022 at 07:02 PM

CW

“ *Cousin Fay N. White lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Irene Brooks*



Cousin Fay N. White - May 10, 2022 at 07:00 PM

DG

“ *Dr. Ricky Godbolt lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Irene Brooks*



Dr. Ricky Godbolt - May 10, 2022 at 05:57 PM

TF

“ *The Box Family purchased the Sacred Garden S pray for the family of Mrs. Mary Irene Brooks.*



The Box Family - May 10, 2022 at 05:01 PM

PW

“ *RIP Beautiful*



Peggy Weaver - May 06, 2022 at 11:34 AM

EJ

“ *My Prayers and Condolences go out to my family. Much love to all of you!*



Earnestene Johnson - May 06, 2022 at 10:56 AM

SH

“ *Mary was a good friend of mine, she always had a listen ear and good advice to give. We attended the same church and worked on the usher board on different programs and worked for the same company in Rockford, Illinois. After leaving Illinois our friendship remained the same. I am truly going to miss her, the last time we talk she know her time was well spent on this earth and she was ready to go. RIP IN PEACE MY FRIEND*

Shirley Horton

Shirley Horton - May 05, 2022 at 01:33 PM

JB

“ Auntie was a very honest person. She told you exactly what was on her mind. She always gave words of encouragement and wisdom. She was a sassy young lady that was always dressed to the nine. She always kept me laughing, I miss her very much.

Jerri Braddix - May 04, 2022 at 08:47 PM

UW

“ Mary Brooks was her name but to me and my girls. She was Grandma Mary (Aunt). She and my grandmother her late sister were my bestfriend's for as long as I can remember. We were 3 peas in a pod. Now she is reunited with my sweet grandmother and that makes me so happy! We are going to miss you down here Grandma Mary, so so much! We love you!

Uniqua Weathersby - May 04, 2022 at 02:01 PM

AS

“ Alfredia Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Mary Irene Brooks



Alfredia Smith - May 04, 2022 at 10:35 AM

SL

“ Mrs. Brooks will be missed. Love you may God bless the family

Sharon lee - May 02, 2022 at 10:29 AM

ER

“ *Edna Rowden lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Mary Irene Brooks*



Edna Rowden - May 02, 2022 at 08:34 AM