



Bessie Mae Kenebrew

July 29, 1943 - April 2, 2023

Mrs. Bessie Mae Kenebrew, 79, of Bluefield, WV, passed away on Sunday April 2, 2023 in Bluefield, WV.

She was born July 29, 1943 in Pocahontas, VA. She graduated high school in Pocahontas, Virginia, attended Bluefield Business College, and did office work.

Mrs. Bessie Mae Kenebrew was known for being a loving woman that helped raised many people. Her love for her kids and grandchildren was incomparable. She loved fashion and getting dressed up and most of all she loved going to get her hair done. She enjoyed listening to her old jams and dancing. She also loved watching Joyce Meyers and many other preachers preach. She loved the Lord and would talk about him all the time and how good he was.

She also loved her biscuit and gravy with coffee as well as many other snacks. She also loved the "Feed the children program" she looked forward to receiving photos of all the children she helped feed. She cooked her famous meals and the family favorites were her cube steak with mashed potatoes and gravy, and chicken and dumplings. She always would remind everyone of how handsome or beautiful they were and truly knew how to make others feel good about themselves. She was the most loving person anyone could have ever met. To know her was truly a Blessing and she will forever be missed. Our Angel!

She was preceded in death by her husband George Kenebrew Sr. Her

children, George "Punkin" Kenebrew Jr. and Teresa Buchanan. Her great grandchildren, Laquita Buchanan and Dalysa Buchanan; her parents, Bessie Mae and Creed Frazier Catron; and six brothers, Claude, Clearnce, Heburit, Neal, John, and Junior.

Those left to cherish her memory are her children, Cathy Cifizzari (Michale) of Boynton Beach, FL, Bessie Tyson (Randolph) of Bluefield, WV, Charles Buchanan of North Carolina, Chasity Price (Richard) of Charlotte, NC, Shakara Dowell (Andre) of Bluefield, WV, and Jane Lewis (Timothy Dowell) of Bluefield, WV; grandchildren, Charles, Audra (Brandon) Fairchild, Jonathan (Siki) Cifizzari, Bridget, Chasity, Andrew, Sasha, Alexander, George, Lashondra, Shontel Zahria, Richchelle Deal (Garrett), Yasmeen, Punkin, Seandre, Ezaria, Dynashia, Jayda, and Domanick; and great-grandchildren, Hunter, Samantha, Wyatt, Shayla, Dalysa, Kani, TaShawn, Malaya, Crystal, Alaya, Malikki, Lashontae, Quadarius Jr., and Messiah

A funeral service will be held on Monday April 10, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. from the Mercer Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Jonny Davis officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Monday from noon until the service hour.

Entombment will be at Restlawn Memorial Gardens where family members will serve as pallbearers.

Those wishing to share memories or condolence messages with the family may do so by visiting www.MercerFuneralHome.com Mercer Funeral Home & Crematory is serving the family of Bessie Ruth Kenebrew.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 10. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Mercer Funeral Home Chapel
1231 West Cumberland Road
Bluefield, WV 24701

Funeral Service

APR 10. 1:00 PM (ET)

Mercer Funeral Home Chapel
1231 West Cumberland Road
Bluefield, WV 24701

Repass

APR 10 (ET)

Quality Hotel and Conference Center
3350 Big Laurel Highway
Bluefield, WV 24701

A repass will be held immediately following the burial.

Tribute Wall



“ *Bessie Mae Kenebrew*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *This is really hitting me, a beautiful soul taken too fast I would have ever thought April 2, 2023 would be the day I got a call from my mom saying she wasn't with us no more. Man she will be missed everyday for the rest of my life. I remember we was in Blacksburg at the hospital and she kept calling Dynashia my name and calling me Dynashia it's just the little things like that make you have a smile or two. She was nice to everybody around her no matter what you did in the past. she had such a pretty face boyyy mawmaw hated germs she made sure she washed her hands. I remember everytime i would give her a kiss/hug she would say "does my hair/eyebrows look okay?" and i would say yes it looks greats I would make her smile all day if I could. I wish we could all have just one more day with her I wouldn't wish for anything else but to see her one more time. She loved seeing all her grandkids...When I was younger we would play eye spy in my moms kitchen 5 years ago I didn't think about how important someone is till there no longer here this hit me like a stain on a shirt that doesn't wash off mawmaw I know you're with us in the heart watch down on us like we looking up at you life isn't the same without you I will miss asking for some cookies or some sprite you would never tell us no , no matter how much you had left.- Jayda D*

jayda - May 10, 2023 at 09:09 AM

MH

“ Bessie Mae Kenebrew was My mother also I'm Martha Maria Lewis Hickman she taught me my homework and how to ride a bike plus how to roller skate ☐ love you momma Rest In Peace love little pretty girl was the nickname she gave me

Martha Maria Lewis Hickman - April 10, 2023 at 06:32 AM



“ My heart goes out to my sisters, my stepmother and the rest of the family that is hurting right now. Mrs.K was such a special person with so much love in her heart. I remember everyday after school going to Wade Elementary I would go over to Mrs.K House until it was dark. She welcomed me and always treated me like her very own. That yellow house was my second home. I will forever be grateful to have known you Mrs.K and honored to receive the love you gave me. You gave me the confidence I needed from a young age and I'm thankful for that. I pray for everyone that is hurting right now just try to keep y'all heads up high even if the tears continue to fall. She is watching over you all and reunited with another great piece of her heart Pumpkin. No longer suffering on this world and in the arms of our Heavenly Father. I love you all and keeping everyone lifted in prayer!!!❤️🙏

Choozen Lead - April 09, 2023 at 02:28 PM

RD

“ I miss you so much already my beautiful MawMaw I know already posted but I am up at night thinking of memories with you. I just wish all of the world could have experienced how special you were. I am going to be missing you so much with every breath that I take until I see you again. Just know the next time your stuck with me for eternal life. I love you my beautiful Mawmaw.💛💜

richchelle Deal - April 08, 2023 at 12:20 AM

JL

“ one of my (memories) with you mom was always doing your eyebrows and fixing your lipstick 💄❤️ and bringing you, your McDonald's coffee ☕ with three creams in it and you telling me my beautiful daughter jane ☐😘 I love you and words can't describe how much I miss you 🤔

jane Lewis - April 07, 2023 at 11:48 AM

RD

Yes she loved her Jane her sweet baby girl. She will forever be with you Auntie 💕😊

Richchelle Deal - April 07, 2023 at 11:50 AM

SH

Beautiful memories she definitely loved her coffee she was always so sweet and loving everytime anyone came across her path she will be truly missed sending love and hugs and my deepest condolences ❤️🙏

Shinice howze - April 09, 2023 at 11:50 AM



Choozen Lead - April 09, 2023 at 02:29 PM

GD

“ You'll truly be missed Ms K. 💙💙💙 Rest easy sweet lady!! 🙏

Garrett Deal - April 07, 2023 at 11:42 AM

RD

You was her Mr.handsome lol 💙😊

Richchelle Deal - April 07, 2023 at 11:48 AM

RD

“ My first bestfriend on this earth, the first person to hold me when I came into this world, the person that taught me so much about God, the person that was my only contact when I got my first cell phone, the person that played with me even when you were tired, the person that always talked to me , the person that cooked for me, the person that never let me forget how beautiful I am, the person that was there for me no matter what, not only were you my first bestfriend but your also my Mawmaw, grandmother, 2nd mother, and literally one of the biggest pieces to my heart. If you know me then you know I love this woman beyond words. When I say life will never be the same for me again it will never be the same. But if it's one thing I know you are now at peace and God is taking great care of you. I know that your reunited with your children that you grieved the lost of for so many years and I know they were so happy to be reunited with there mama. I love you so so much and even though i know you are no longer here physically i know i have gained a new guardian angel. I promise i will still continue to talk your head off and i will be missing you with every breath that i take until i get to hug you again. this is the hardest thing ive ever had to type but i had to for my bestfriend. i will be praying and waiting for the day i get to see you again thank God i know the next time will be for a eternal lifetime but until then i know that God will give me the strength and my husband or like you always called him Mr. Handsome himself (your grandson-n-law) will take care of me and be my bestfriend. I promise to take care of my mom for you because I know you loved your kids and grandkids like no other! Like you always told me its never goodbye but see you later. I love you I love You I love you. I thank God i was Blessed to be your granddaughter it truly was a honor. like we always say Thank you God, Thank you God, Thank you God! God i am going to be missing you i could literally write a novel! I love you Mawmaw forever and always.



-your Granddaughter: Richchelle but as you always called me Chelle



Richchelle Deal - April 07, 2023 at 09:50 AM

JL



jane Lewis - April 07, 2023 at 10:10 AM

JL

My mother, My best friend, my love, my teacher, my inspiration!!! Life will never be the same without you and I'm going to miss you so much and thinking of you at my highs and lows, wanting to kiss your cheek one more time. I know you always be with me and will still continue leading me in all the right directions and my promise to you is to keep believing in Jesus Christ and living for the lord 🙌🙌 amen 🙏❤❤❤❤❤❤❤❤❤❤

jane Lewis - April 07, 2023 at 10:16 AM