



Lessie Mae Batts Armstrong

January 18, 1937 - January 17, 2016

Lessie Armstrong, daughter of the late John Wesley and Emma Jones was born January 18, 1937 in Nash County. God, in his infinite wisdom called her home on January 17, 2016. One sister and three brothers preceded her in death. She grew up in Elm City and attended Wilson County Schools.

Lessie Mae was united in marriage to the late John L. Batts and to this union nine children were born. She loved each and everyone of her children and didn't mind letting them know, that they were her children and would point them out. She loved to cook , and if you came around you wouldn't leave hungry. She loved her plants, family gatherings, laughing, talking on the phone, and watching t.v. She worked many years as a cook and retired from Wild Wood Lamp Company, after twenty years of service.

Lessie joined Olive Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in October 1972. She served as a Deaconess, a member of the Usher Board, and was a faithful member until her health failed. She loved her Pastor and church family.

Lessie later married Frank Armstrong, who preceded her in death.

She leaves to cherish her memory nine children: Gloria Batts(Earl) of Elm City, NC; Michael Batts(Rita) of Rocky Mount, NC; Johnell Batts Jr.(Margaret) of Elm City, NC; William Batts(Cathy) of Rocky Mount, NC; James Batts of Elm

City, NC; Brenda Batts(Carlton) of Elm City, NC; Wanda Williams(Bernard) of Rocky Mount, NC; Steven Batts(Brenda) of Petersburg, VA; Krishon Batts(Tomeekia) of Elm City, NC; Doris Lawerance(Harvey) of Rocky Mount, NC. Six step-children; Ernestine Lathan of Wilson, NC; Ruby Lathan of Elm City, NC; Angie Barnes(Jessie) of Rocky Mount, NC; Frankie Lucas(Braxton); Anthony Armstrong(Beverly) both of Wilson, NC and Willie Lovely(Angela) of Rocky Mount, NC; one aunt Lula Barnes of Rocky Mount, NC; three sister-in-laws: Sarah Hines of Wilson, NC; Doretha Jones and Carrie Wiggins of Rocky Mount, NC; a special niece, Mary Ann Williams, that she loved like a daughter; thirty grandchildren, eleven step grandchildren, twenty-two great-grandchildren, five step great-grandchildren, seven great-great grandchildren, a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins. A special friend, Alma Finch; telephone partners: Lillie Walker and Louvenia Parker; and regular visits from Marvin and Gail Thorne.

Cemetery Details

Gardens of Gethsemane

3020 N. Raleigh St.
Rocky Mount, NC 27801

Previous Events

Viewing

JAN 22. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Morgan Funerals & Cremations, Inc.
320 South Glendale Drive
Rocky Mount, NC 27801
(252) 446-2600

Funeral

JAN 23. 2:00 PM (ET)

Olive Chapel Missionary Baptist Church
3406 North Hathaway Blvd
Sharpsburg, NC 27878

Tribute Wall

BA

“ *CONDOLENCE ATKINSON- MCLAURIN FAMILY*

BERNICE ATKINSON-MCLAURIN - January 23, 2016 at 06:31 PM

PS

“ *Pastor Larry Johnson Sr. lit a candle in memory of Lessie Mae Batts Armstrong*



Pastor Larry Johnson Sr. - January 23, 2016 at 12:35 PM

PS

“ *To the family of Deacon Michael Batts:*

On Behalf of the Pastor, Elder Larry Johnson Sr. and members of the St. Augusta Church, the pastor and members send a hear felt sympathy to the family and friends of our dear Sis. Lessie Mae Batts Armstrong. As a family has loss a friend, mother, grandmother but we feel heaven is rejoicing on today for the angel that our Heavenly father has brought home to rest from her labor down here. Our hearts are heavy in times like this and its okay to cry but keep in mind mother is rejoicing in the God of our salvation. To the family, remember the values mother layed down before you and continue to grow in grace and one of these old days we will see mother on the other shore. Christians never die, they sleep away in the master's arm. Family love one another and Keep God the center of your life.

Humbly submitted by the Pastor, Larry Johnson and St. August Church (please see that the family Gets this)

Pastor Larry Johnson Sr. - January 23, 2016 at 12:29 PM

TL

“ *The Lancaster's lit a candle in memory of Lessie Mae Batts Armstrong*



The Lancaster's - January 23, 2016 at 08:29 AM

PL

“ *Pamela Lancaster- Lindsey lit a candle in memory of Lessie Mae Batts Armstrong*



Pamela Lancaster- Lindsey - January 23, 2016 at 08:26 AM

TW

“ *Teresa Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Lessie Mae Batts Armstrong*



Teresa Williams - January 22, 2016 at 04:49 PM

FL

“ *Frankie Lucas lit a candle in memory of Lessie Mae Batts Armstrong*



Frankie Lucas - January 22, 2016 at 11:24 AM

LC

“ Louise Conley lit a candle in memory of
Lessie Mae Batts Armstrong



Louise Conley - January 21, 2016 at 12:05 PM

LC

Lessie Mae you will be missed...

Louise Conley - January 21, 2016 at 12:06 PM

MB

“ To the family it is so sad to here of a wonderful lady have past it was
nice to have a chance to meet her doing my younger days may God
be with you all doing this time.

Mike and Val Bynum

MICHAEL AND VALARIA BYNUM - January 20, 2016 at 02:42 PM

KD

“ Kimberly D. lit a candle in memory of Lessie
Mae Batts Armstrong



Kimberly D. - January 20, 2016 at 02:33 PM

KI

“ *Ruby,*

My sincerest condolences to your and your family!

Love you,

Kimberly (Nexans) & Ranayda

Kimberly - January 20, 2016 at 02:32 PM

CK

“ *Clara And Hiawatha Knight lit a candle in memory of Lessie Mae Batts Armstrong*



Clara and Hiawatha Knight - January 20, 2016 at 10:18 AM

FP

“ *Frances Gaston & Alton Pack lit a candle in memory of Lessie Mae Batts Armstrong*



Frances Gaston & Alton Pack - January 20, 2016 at 07:00 AM

JW

“ *Jennifer Watson lit a candle in memory of Lessie Mae Batts Armstrong*



jennifer watson - January 19, 2016 at 10:10 PM

JW

“ I am so sorry to hear of your recent loss. I have heard many good stories about your mother as I have worked with Brenda for a while. Please know my prayers are with you during this very difficult time. I know your mother is rejoicing in heaven and is now healthy again.

*Jennifer Watson
Darden Middle School*

jennifer watson - January 19, 2016 at 10:09 PM

MT

“ Marvin And Gail Thorne lit a candle in memory of Lessie Mae Batts Armstrong



Marvin and Gail Thorne - January 19, 2016 at 09:58 PM

MT

“ Ours prayers are with you. Marvin, Gail, Vanita and E.J. Thorne - Rocky Mount

Marvin and Gail Thorne - January 19, 2016 at 09:55 PM

TP

“ Troy Pippen And Cheryl Pippen lit a candle in memory of Lessie Mae Batts Armstrong



Troy Pippen and Cheryl Pippen - January 19, 2016 at 07:41 PM

TF

“ *The Hayes Family lit a candle in memory of
Lessie Mae Batts Armstrong*



The Hayes Family - January 19, 2016 at 06:04 PM

TF

“ *The Hayes Family lit a candle in memory of
Lessie Mae Batts Armstrong*



The Hayes Family - January 19, 2016 at 05:51 PM

TF

To the Batts Family we are so sorry to hear of your mother passing. The Hayes family share your grief, we share your pain, but God knows best and we know he has his loving arms around all of you, your mother is now in his care, no more sickness, no more sadness and no more pain of this old world, just know that God will never leave you nor forsake you, he will surely take care of all of you.

The Hayes Family - January 19, 2016 at 06:03 PM

HB

“ *May you find peace and comfort in the days to come knowing that your loved one is resting in the arms of Jesus. Just as all of you, (her children and loved ones), took really good care of Mother Armstrong, Jesus has now taken on that responsibility to ensure that she will continue to get the best of care. May God be with you all during this time and in the days to come.*

Deacon Harrell and Mother Oredia Burt

Harrell & Oredia Burt - January 19, 2016 at 01:10 PM

TB

“ *Timothy Bastien lit a candle in memory of
Lessie Mae Batts Armstrong*



Timothy Bastien - January 19, 2016 at 01:10 PM

HB

“ *Harrell & Oredia Burt lit a candle in memory of
Lessie Mae Batts Armstrong*



Harrell & Oredia Burt - January 19, 2016 at 01:07 PM