



Mrs. Bertha O. Penix

May 13, 1948 - May 30, 2022

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Bertha O. Penix was born on May 13, 1948, to the union of Roy Willie Johnson and Alberta McCormick Johnson. She was the tenth of eleven children. At an early age she was a member of the Church of Christ; attending Saints Temple Church of God in Christ in Forrest City, Arkansas. Later, she converted to Baptist; attending El Cannon Missionary Baptist Church in Palestine, Arkansas, where she was the choir director and member of the mass choir for many years; and continued to worship and fellowship until her passing.

Bertha attended Lincoln High School, Class of 1966 in Forrest City, Arkansas. She worked at GI Manufacturing Company for over 20 years in Forrest City. She attended East Arkansas Community College. Having a genuine love for children, Bertha earned her Childcare Licensure to run her own Childcare business for more than 20 years; nurturing and educating an abundance of young children.

Bertha's first marriage was to Lee A. Smith and to this union three children were born—Shelby Smith, Shawn Smith, and Sequoyah Smith. On March 18,

1996, she married her lifelong partner—Robert James Penix. Not having any children of their own; they fostered and cared for many children who were in need.

Bertha passed away on Monday, May 31, 2022. She was preceded in death by her mother (Alberta McCormick Johnson) and father (Royal Willie Johnson)—brothers Royal and Charles Johnson, and sisters—Janell French, Lorraine Johnson, Luenne and Luann Johnson.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory a husband—Robert James Penix, three children—Shelby Smith, Shawn (Gevena) Smith, and Sequoyah (Johnny) Moore, Sisters—Ruthie Kidd, Evester Roper, Cleadester Oates, and Hester Lucas, and Phillip Johnson, a many of nieces and nephews, grandchildren—Shereese McDaniel, Dustin Taylor, Douglas Taylor, Shelby Smith Jr., Daniel Smith, Reina Perry, Dalton Smith, Victoria Smith, Johnathan Moore, and Jayna Moore, and great-grandchildren.

Cemetery Details

Arkansas State Veterans Cemetery - Birdeye

3600 AR-163
Cherry Valley, AR 72324

Previous Events

Visitation with a requirement of a face covering

JUN **9**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Miles J. Kimble Mortuary & Cremation
1900 South Washington Street
Forrest City, AR 72335
(870) 633-1914
mjkimble@yahoo.com
<http://www.mjkmortuaryandcremation.com>

Service with a requirement of a face covering

JUN **10**. 11:00 AM (CT)

El Cannon Missionary Baptist Church
2926 SFC 815
Palestine , AR 72372

Tribute Wall

GT

“ *Gloria Tinzie sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Bertha O. Penix*



Gloria Tinzie - June 10, 2022 at 10:37 AM

TH

“ *U have my deepest condolences. Praying for ur family.*



tasha Hamilton - June 09, 2022 at 07:56 PM

BC

“ *Beretha Cottrell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bertha O. Penix*



Beretha Cottrell - June 09, 2022 at 12:57 AM

BC

Our deepest Condolences on behalf of the Hurlen Cottrell Family.

Beretha Cottrell - June 09, 2022 at 12:57 AM

LL

“ *Lillie Lane lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bertha O. Penix*



Lillie Lane - June 08, 2022 at 11:42 PM

LL

My condolences to the family from Robert and Lillie Lane family. The God of comfort and peace be with the family.

Lillie Lane - June 08, 2022 at 11:45 PM

CB

“ *Carol Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bertha O. Penix*



Carol Brown - June 08, 2022 at 07:07 PM

CB

You truly will be missed. Such a sweet, loving and caring person. May God give you strength in your time of sorrow.

Carol Brown - June 08, 2022 at 07:09 PM

PC

“ *Pam Cowan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bertha O. Penix*



Pam Cowan - June 07, 2022 at 10:28 AM

CS

SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS. SENDING HUGSZZZZ & LOVE TO YOU ALL.

CHERYL GATLIN STEWART - June 17, 2022 at 11:37 PM

LS

“ Lawrence Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bertha O. Penix



Lawrence Smith - June 07, 2022 at 07:37 AM

HB

“ Helen Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bertha O. Penix



Helen Brown - June 07, 2022 at 02:32 AM

HB

I pray that the family will be comforted through this time and that God will give you strength in the name of Jesus Amen

Helen Brown - June 07, 2022 at 02:35 AM

HC

My condolences to her husband and the entire family.

Helen Barton Cotton - June 07, 2022 at 03:02 PM

MG

“A word of comfort and of hope, that in your deepest sorrow, you will find new strength and peace of mind and courage for tomorrow.” Please know that you are in our prayers.



Sending condolences to the family of Bertha Johnson Penix on behalf of The Lincoln High School - Maroon & Gold National Alumni Association, Inc. (MGNAAI), Forrest City, Arkansas. Bertha was a member of the Lincoln High School Class of 1966.”

*Delores Farr Morelon
MGNAAI President*

MGNAAI - June 06, 2022 at 02:07 PM

BS

Many Prayers with strength for the family and former Co workers at (G.I) going down this difficult journey 🙏 Amen

Barbara Ann Smith - June 06, 2022 at 06:24 PM

GS

Praying for the family, and sending condolences to the family of Bertha Penix I will miss you

Gloreatha Smith - June 07, 2022 at 01:25 AM

DR

“ Dear Family,
We pray that you will be strengthened,
encouraged, and comforted on the recent loss
of your Dear "Love-One," Mrs. Bertha O.
Penix. May the Light from Our Heavenly
Father's face shine in your hearts, that the amazing power of His
Love, will bring you much peace and joy of His goodness, to help
you to endure the tender loss of your precious Love-One, Mrs.
Bertha O. Penix, whom we pray, rest in the sweet place that He has
prepared for those who love him.... where grace and peace gently
abide. Evangelist, Dr., P. Robinson



Dr. P. Robinson - June 05, 2022 at 09:02 AM

EM

“ Erika McKissick-Long lit a candle in memory
of Mrs. Bertha O. Penix



Erika McKissick-Long - June 04, 2022 at 12:24 PM

ST

“ Penix family, praying for strengths, comfort,
peace and healing today and the days ahead ”
GOD IS ABLE”



Shirley Williams Thorn - June 03, 2022 at 12:47 PM

PT

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the Penix and Johnson family during this difficult time.*

Lincoln & Paulette Taylor



PAULETTE TAYLOR - June 02, 2022 at 09:51 AM

MT

RIP! Mrs. Phenix 🙏

Melvin Tinsley - June 02, 2022 at 09:23 PM

SD

To the family of Bertha Johnson Penix. I am sorry for your loss. Cherish the precious memories you shared with her. May the Lord strengthen each of you in the days ahead.

SueVeria Weaver Dickens

SueVeria Dickens - June 09, 2022 at 02:10 AM