



Lula Teresa Powell-Bussey

July 1, 1925 - October 8, 2023

Mrs. Lula Teresa Bussey, age 98 of Atlanta, Georgia died Sunday October 8, 2023. She was born July 1, 1925, in Rocky Mount, North Carolina, the daughter of the late Charlie Powell and Willie Mae Lassiter Powell. she was raised in Murfreesboro, North Carolina. She was also daughter-in-law of the late Legree Bussey and Lessie Welch.

She was baptized at New Haven Baptist Church in Murfreesboro, NC where her mother and father served as deacon and deaconess, respectively. Mrs. Bussey was a longtime member of the Ft. McPherson Protestant Church in Atlanta, Georgia before it closed, and subsequently became a member of Cascade United Methodist Church. She graduated from C.S. Brown High School in Winton, North Carolina.

After high school, she moved to Texas where she met and was joined in holy matrimony to Joseph Bussey on July 22, 1949. She was able to travel extensively supporting her husband on his military tours from 1949 until 1960, stationed in Guam, Alaska, and most of the United States. Joseph Bussey passed at the age of 83 in April 2004.

She served on her children's elementary and high school PTAs, and volunteered with the Red Cross at Ft. McPherson hospital. After her children graduated high school, she associated and worked with her nephew's Bussey's Florist, and subsequently opened and operated the Mitchell Street location for a number of years.

Mrs. Bussey is survived by one daughter, Joann R. Ellis; one son, Gregory

M. Bussey (Tiffany), five grandchildren, Joseph Ruffin, Jr. (Lawrenceville, GA), Anthony Ellis, Jr. (Knoxville, TN) Jordan Ellis (Starkville, MS), Mason Bussey (Brooklyn, NY) and Maya Bussey (St. Louis, MO); three great grandchildren, Kingston Ruffin and the twins (Seven and Saint Ellis); a sister, Mildred Cooper (Paul) of Murfreesboro, NC; ten brothers preceded her in death, William (Millie) Powell, Gurney "Dick" (Mary) Powell, Lee (Mildrid) Powell Joe (Lillie) Powell, Linwood (Angela) Powell, Raymond (Pearl) Powell, Raleigh (Euther) Powell, David (Mervin) Powell, Cleveland Powell, James Powell; a sister preceded her in death, Sarah Porter; and numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Affectionately known as "Mama" to her grandchildren, Mrs. Bussey had a incredible love for gardening and was known for her ability to bring any failing plant back to life. She was an active member of the Pine Center Garden Club in Atlanta, and she enjoyed exercising at the Cambelkon Road YMCA and celebrating monthly birthdays with her friends from there as well.

Cemetery Details

Arlington National Cemetery

Arlington, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **20**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Hertford County Undertakers
416 S Main St
Winton, NC 27986
(252) 358-3141

Service

OCT **21**. 1:00 PM (ET)

New Haven Baptist Church
914 Benthall Bridge Road
Murfreesboro, NC

Tribute Wall

CH

“ *Condolences to the family on the loss of your love one. May God continue to strengthen you each and every day.*

Doctors Gilbert and Charmont Hall-Stephen

Charmont Hall-Stephen - October 14, 2023 at 10:44 PM



WC

“ *My deepest condolences to the family May God comfort and strengthen you 🙏❤️*

Westelle Cherry - October 12, 2023 at 10:47 PM



LV

“ *So sorry to hear of the loss of your dear sister, Mildred. May God comfort you during this your time of bereavement. Condolences to the entire family and friends. Love you and know that you are in our prayers. ❤️❤️❤️🙏🙏🙏*

Linda Vinson - October 12, 2023 at 06:09 PM



SP

“ *RIH auntie Lulu Love Shawn Powell and family, and Karon, Kareme, David*

Seneda Powell - October 12, 2023 at 10:24 AM



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“ *Seneda Powell lit a candle in memory of Lula
Teresa Powell-Bussey*



Seneda Powell - October 12, 2023 at 10:14 AM

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love you auntie RIH

Seneda Powell - October 12, 2023 at 10:22 AM

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“ *Aunt Lulu rest in peace in your heavenly home you will truly be
missed love your nieces Laurine, Belinda, Seneda*

Seneda Powell - October 12, 2023 at 10:14 AM

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Trenny, Wayne, Saqoya, Devon, Jaquarii, Tayla , Tyler

Seneda Powell - October 12, 2023 at 10:18 AM

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“ *Seneda Powell lit a candle in memory of Lula
Teresa Powell-Bussey*



Seneda Powell - October 12, 2023 at 10:10 AM

DT

“ Mrs. Lula Teresa Powell Bussey will be missed by me and my family. We were greeted by her and her husband when we moved to Atlanta,GA from North Carolina more than 50 years ago. My Children Warren & Wendy, she kept while I worked and treated them like they were her own! I loved her like a second mother. Rest in peace Mrs. Bussey, we will always love you and never forget you!
Helen B. Thomas, Warren & Wendy Edwards



Dr. Helen Britt Thomas - October 11, 2023 at 05:39 PM

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“ The Tann Family lit a candle in memory of Lula Teresa Powell-Bussey



The Tann Family - October 11, 2023 at 03:39 PM