



Ms. Bernice Murchison

May 27, 1930 - September 16, 2023

Bernice Murchison also known as “Bern”, “Boon” or “Ms. B” was born on May 27, 1930 in Greenville, NC to the late Maetta Powell- Murchison-Godley and Clyde Murchison. She was the eldest girl out of twelve children. The Lord called her to her eternal resting place on September 16, 2023, in the comfort of her home.

Bernice attended Cherry Lane school in Pitt County but quickly recognized her purpose at an early age, she began serving her younger siblings to take the load off her parents and to make sure they were able to become academically successful. She utilized the life skills she had gained, and applied them to raising her own family. She later continued her education to take up a trade of sewing at a community school in Greenville, NC. From there she began sewing all of her and her children’s clothes and quilts.

Bernice’s work ethic was like that of none other it was deeply embedded inside of her. Bernice was able to hold down three jobs at one time to make sure her family was well provided for all while never complaining. Bernice had an array of jobs throughout her life and she took pride in them all including tobacco and cucumber fields. “What Ever You Do”, “Do the Best You know How” was one of her favorite sayings, and she truly lived by it. She Was employed by Century Sawyer Chicken Factory of Robersonville, NC, for many years. She was also employed by Washington Crab House of Washington, NC, and was acknowledged with a certificate for her punctuality as well being the fastest crab picker several years in a row. She retired from Burroughs

Welcome after many years. She loved to stay active so she pursued positions with Court Yard Marriott as she enjoyed meeting various people from all walks of life. Later she decided to do what she was already doing and was hired as an elderly caregiver for several families and they all loved and welcomed Ms. B into their families.

Bernice was a woman of strong Faith whom loved the Lord with all she had and knew exactly where her help came from. Bernice understood that the joy of the Lord was her strength. She would spend countless hours reading her bible aloud, while listening to her favorite gospel radio station WOOW 1340 and one of her most favorite gospel singers, Jeff Parker whom she loved dearly. She kept a Praise on her lips and a Dance in her hips” Bernice became a member of Whichard Cherry Lane Church, Stokes, NC where she served for many years, she later joined Holy Trinity United Holy Church in Greenville, NC before becoming a member of Wells Chapel of Greenville, NC where she attended until her health began failing.

Bernice was a beacon of light with an infectious smile and laugh that would brighten up anyone’s day. Bernice had so many God given gifts that she shared with the world. She had a passion for gardening and flowers. She truly had a special anointing for cooking especially collards. We called her the “Collard Queen” Not only did she have a passion to cook but to grow her own food. Bernice would spend countless hours in the kitchen only to pack it all up and take it around to different ones in the community. Her day consisted of taking different ones to work, grocery stores, pay bills etc. Bernice truly understood her God Giving assignment. Ministry was not just in the four walls of church, she was the church and she did so by serving and giving to others. She made it her business to go by and sit with the sick at the nursing homes. She loved spending time with her family especially her grandchildren, she took pride in doing whatever they were doing, including singing, dancing, playing a game or just sitting back eating crabs and watching her favorite show “Family Feud” featuring Steve Harvey.

Bernice was the resilient matriarch of her family and busted through many

glass ceilings so that the next generation would not have to. Out of her ninety-three years, life had thrown so many obstacles her way but through her unwavering faith and determination she overcame them all. She courageously leaped across many thresholds with her end goal in mind. She was also a woman full of financial wisdom and integrity, her most popular story she shared was how she was able to purchase a brand new car off the lot while working hard, saving and maintaining excellent credit throughout life. She lived each day to the fullest and gave the greatest gift of all and that was her love. She paved the way for her family. Bernice leaves behind a legacy and some dancing shoes that we only hope we can come close to filling.

Bernice will be truly missed and cherished forever by her family, friends, and we are forever grateful for the time allowed and the memories made.

Bernice is preceded in death by her parents, (Sons) Michael Murchison, Ernest Murchison, Celester Murchison; (Daughter) Daisy Mae Murchison; (Brothers) Clinton Murchison, Curtis Lee Murchison, Willie James Murchison, Clyde Murchison; (Sisters) Dorothy Presson-Mitchell, Margie Chase, Mamie Robinson.

She leaves to cherish and continue her legacy: Three Beautiful Children, William Earl Murchison (Bertha) of GA, Joe Russell Murchison (Tammy) of Greenville, NC, Peggy Joyce Murchison of Greenville, NC; Loving Brother, Clifton Earl Murchison of Farmville, NC; Loving Sister, Shirley Ebron of Winterville, NC; fifteen loving grandchildren & twenty-four great grandchildren; a host of loving, nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives and dear friends.

Cemetery Details

Homestead Memorial Gardens

4251 E. 10th Street
Greenville, NC 27858

Previous Events

Viewing

SEP **29**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Wells Chapel Church of God In Christ
1585 Allen Road
Greenville, NC

Celebration of Life Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

Congleton Memorial Mortuary - September 29, 2023 at 12:00 PM



“ *Ms. Bernice Murchison*

October 06, 2023 at 05:52 AM



“ *Dianna Daniels sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Bernice Murchison*



Dianna Daniels - September 29, 2023 at 12:00 PM



“ *Sending my heartfelt condolences to Peggy and Family ..Love and prayers*



Vivian Dupree knight - September 29, 2023 at 12:00 PM

SB

“ We extend our deepest & most sincere condolences to Bro Joe Murchison, Evangelist Missionary Tammy Murchison, Sis. Mecca and your entire family. Be encouraged, knowing that so many are thinking of you and praying for you too. Trust in God for He has promised NEVER to leave you or forsake you. Our family is here to assist you in any way we can. We love you all.

Evangelist Missionary Sylvia D. Brown & family

Sylvia D. Brown - September 29, 2023 at 12:26 AM

SH

“ Shirley Harris lit a candle in memory of Bernice Murchison



Shirley Carney Harris - September 28, 2023 at 11:07 AM

SH

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Shirley Carney Harris - September 28, 2023 at 11:05 AM

BP

“ *Bro John - Sis Robin Palmer lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernice Murchison*



Bro John - Sis Robin Palmer - September 27, 2023 at 02:29 PM

BP

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Bro John & Sis Robin Palmer - September 27, 2023 at 02:29 PM

JM

“ *Jennifer Moore lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernice Murchison*



Jennifer Moore - September 27, 2023 at 08:49 AM

MW

“ *Jesse & Family, I am sorry to learn about the transition of your beloved sister Bernice. Will continue to pray for the family. May God continue to watch over each of you during this sad time. Deepest Sympathy, Margaret C. Williams*



Margaret Williams - September 27, 2023 at 06:23 AM

GH

“ Grandma Bernice you will be missed so much, although, God needed his beautiful angel back home. So, with that being said we will cherish you forever. We Love you. 🙏💜



Gentry and Quanna Hardy - September 26, 2023 at 08:03 PM

MJ

“ Hello Cousin Joe and family,
Thinking of you family and wishing you moments of peace and comfort during this time. With heartfelt sympathy!



Murchison Family - New Jersey - September 25, 2023 at 11:00 PM

CS

“ Congleton Funeral Home and Staff wishes to express our sincere condolence on the passing of your love one. We light this candle in their memory.



Congleton Funeral Home and Staff - September 25, 2023 at 04:39 PM

DC

“ In loving memories of my First Cousin, Bernice, my Mother's Louella Clemons, sister of my Aunt Mae Etta Murchison, to say: Although you have departed this life here on earth, you still have another life with the Almighty Father God, who will hold you so dear in His Holy Arms, forever. I will always remember all those times when we would all get together to share moments of love about the family members. So, since I want be able to attend your Homegoing Service, I am sending the family my love. Rest in peace. David Clemons.

DAVID CLEMONS - September 25, 2023 at 04:04 PM

YF

“ Yvonne Fletcher sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Bernice Murchison



Yvonne Fletcher - September 25, 2023 at 12:56 PM

YF

*Murchison family,
Please accept my heartfelt sympathy in your time of great sorrow
you're in our prayers*

Yvonne Fletcher - September 28, 2023 at 08:36 PM

YF

*Please accept my heartfelt sympathy in your time of great sorrow
you're in our prayers to the Murchison family.*

Yvonne Fletcher - September 28, 2023 at 08:48 PM

RM

“ My Aunt Bernice will be truly missed. I remember the days when she will come to DC and sit and talk about the old days. I will miss our conversation. Love you Auntie ❤️

RENEE Murchison-Barber - September 25, 2023 at 11:57 AM



“ I entrust my mother into your gracious care, and look to you with faith and hope in everlasting life, to comfort me and my family in our grief and pain. I ask this in your powerful name, Amen. Lord Jesus Christ, you are the name above all names. Mom we love you. May you rest beautifully and peacefully with our Lord and savior



William Murchison - September 25, 2023 at 10:56 AM

TH

“ Thetus Harris lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernice Murchison



Thetus Harris - September 25, 2023 at 07:13 AM

TI

“ Bro Joe, Missionary Murchison, and family I wanted to let you that I will be praying for you all. Mom was such a sweet person. It was a joyed being in her company. I will miss her beautiful smile.

Sister Tina

Tina - September 23, 2023 at 03:43 PM

CH

“ Carolyn Harrell lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernice Murchison



Carolyn Harrell - September 23, 2023 at 12:10 PM

MA

“ Mary Alexander lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernice Murchison



Mary Alexander - September 22, 2023 at 10:14 AM

CI

“ Christine Battle Isidore lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernice Murchison



Christine Battle Isidore - September 22, 2023 at 08:58 AM

TH

“ Thetus Harris lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernice Murchison



Thetus Harris - September 22, 2023 at 08:56 AM

DB

“ *She was a very sweet and kind lady. We loved talking to her, whenever we would see her. She has been and will be missed.* 🙏
🙏🙏💖 *Deacon Oliver and Sister Dolly Bunn*

Deacon Oliver and Sister Dolly Bunn - September 21, 2023 at 09:16 PM

DB

“ *Deacon Oliver And Sister Dolly Bunn lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernice Murchison*



Deacon Oliver and Sister Dolly Bunn - September 21, 2023 at 09:08 PM

DC

“ *Dorothy Clemons lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernice Murchison*



Dorothy Clemons - September 21, 2023 at 10:55 AM

VO

“ *Veronica Battle Oliver lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernice Murchison*



Veronica Battle Oliver - September 21, 2023 at 09:07 AM

CC

“ *Carlton Clemons lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bernice Murchison*



Carlton Clemons - September 20, 2023 at 08:36 PM

EH

“ *My Deepest Sympathy Are With The Family*



Evangelist Gwen Hudson - September 19, 2023 at 02:17 PM

SE

“ *Deepest Condolences to the Murchison family during the loss of your loved one. May God richly bless all of you during this time.* 🙏🙏❤️



Sis. Early - September 19, 2023 at 12:05 PM

ZC

“ *Love you grandma! You will definitely be missed* ❤️



Zakiah Crumity - September 19, 2023 at 01:04 AM

SC

Sending condolences to the family. Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal. Praying for you all.

Shirley Cox - September 20, 2023 at 07:25 AM

TE

To my loving aunt, u always had a kind heart and helped everyone u come in contact with. You will truly be missed and ur nephew Lin couldn't be here but he sends his condolences to the family we love u and will be missed love niece Tanya and family

Tanya Ebron - September 20, 2023 at 09:05 AM

RE

We are so sorry to hear of the passing of Ms. Bernice. but the BIBLE tells us to be absent from the body means being present with the FATHER...she will definitely be missed. GODs blessings upon all of you. we love you.

Regina Edwards - September 26, 2023 at 12:40 PM

LV

Our prayers are with you. May God ever bless you 🙏.

Larcie Vines - September 28, 2023 at 11:15 AM