



## Ms. Bertha Teele

May 24, 1947 - May 5, 2024

Bertha Lee Teele received her heavenly wings on May 5, 2024 in the presence of her loving family. Bertha entered her earthly life on May 24, 1947, born to the late William Augusta Teele and Mary Teele, in Everetts, NC.

Bertha was a devoted companion to the love of her life, Larry Todd and a supportive friend to his daughters. Bertha had no children of her own, but she was a motherly figure to her many nieces and nephews.

Bertha graduated from East End High School, Robersonville, NC "Class of 1965". She furthered her education by enrolling and graduating from Saint Augustine University earning a Bachelor of Arts degree and a certification in Special Education. Bertha spent her career as an educator, teaching high school English and being an advocate for her special needs children. She loved them unconditionally. Blessed with the gift of expression and words, she was a beautiful writer and wrote lovely, heartfelt poems for her family and friends. Bertha enjoyed teaching and helping others. Blessed with compassion and patience, her students viewed her as more than just a teacher, they saw her as a mentor and counselor. Bertha often received calls from her former students because she positively impacted their lives in so many ways. Her passion for teaching reached well over 30 memorable years.

Bertha's faith was strong and unwavering. She was an active, faithful member of the House of Refuge Church Ministries. She loved her church home, her church family and most of all, love serving the Lord. She served on several committees, sang in the choir and was church secretary for many years. With her passion for serving and her love for children, she volunteered and worked countless hours with the church after school program. Bertha studied her bible, followed its teachings and cherished the word.

Generous, loving, thoughtful and reliable are just a few words to describe Bertha. She enjoyed her life to the fullest. She loved taking trips in the RV with Larry, summer beach trips with the family, shopping trips with her friends and beautifying her home and yard. Bertha stayed close to home her entire life for the sake of her family. She made her home a welcoming place for family and friends to gather and fellowship together. Her personality was captivating, and she never met a stranger. Many looked to Bertha for guidance and comfort which she so graciously provided time and time again, with love mastering the roles of communicator, listener and leader. She lived a life of virtue, and her memory and legacy will live on through the lives she touched.

Bertha was preceded in death by two brothers, Bobby Teele and William "Buck" Teele; two sisters, Villia Andrews and Hutie Pearl Rogers.

Bertha is survived by her siblings Valerie "Deet" Teele Brown of Everetts, NC, James "Jute" Teele of Lynchburg, VA, Larry Teele of Everetts, NC, extended brother, George Gibson, of Williamston, NC; loyal friends, Linda Outerbridge and Brenda Andrews; a host of cherished nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Now that Bertha has passed into the arms of the Lord, her beautiful journey to eternal life begins. John 11: 25-26 "Jesus said to her," I am the resurrection and the life.

He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live."



# Cemetery Details

## Woodlawn Cemetery

299 W Pine Street  
Williamston, NC 27892

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Service

MAY 13. 12:00 PM (ET)

House of Refuge Church Ministries  
200 W. Academy Street  
Robersonville, NC 27871

# Tribute Wall

CP

“ You will be missed dearly such a sweet person with a good heart and spirit



Christina Phillips - May 21, 2024 at 11:19 AM

JH

“ Heartfelt condolences to family and friends.

Jeanette, Butchie and Julius Paige



Jeanette Paige Hester - May 18, 2024 at 08:16 AM

JS

“ JACQUELYN BELL SHIVER lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele



JACQUELYN BELL SHIVER - May 14, 2024 at 11:01 AM

ES

“ Eula Marriner Scott lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele



Eula Marriner Scott - May 13, 2024 at 10:16 PM

FL

“ Sending out most sincerest condolences to the entire Teele family for the loss of their beloved Bertha "Bert" Teele. We will all cherish her amazing life, and will miss the light and love she inspired in all whom she met. May The Lord Our God bless her memory and accept her soul into eternal glory.



*Freddie and Juliana Lynch*

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**Freddie and Juliana Lynch** - May 13, 2024 at 01:46 AM

PP

“ My deepest condolences 🙏 to the Teele family. Bert, I will miss you and your laughter. I thank you and your family for always making us feel welcomed. YSIC, Pomra Powell, Baltimore, MD



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**Pomra Powell** - May 12, 2024 at 05:24 AM

TE

“ Those we love never truly leave us. Bert was a very special friend to us. We will always remember her smile and loving personality. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

*Tyrone Howell & Joyce Edwards*

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**Tyrone Howell & Joyce Edwards** - May 11, 2024 at 11:27 PM

JB

“ *Juanita Brown lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele*



Juanita Brown - May 11, 2024 at 10:17 PM

TB

“ *Ms. Bertha Was so Sweet & Had A Humble Spirit, She Had Love for Everyone she met, take yur Rest Ms. Bertha Teele, She always showed me Nothing But Love Whenever I saw Her, Rest In GODS Arms, Sweet Bertha, U will Truly Be Missed, My Prayers are with the Teele Family & All Who Knew Her* 🌺🌺🌺🙏🕊️❤️❤️❤️



Teresa Lee Bland - May 11, 2024 at 06:14 PM

JW

“ *Condolences to the Teele family. May God give you strength during this time.*



James Russell & Karen Wallace - May 11, 2024 at 02:56 PM

CL

“ *Carolyn Little Glast (class of 1964 East End High School) lit a candle in the memory of Bertha Teele*



Carolyn L. Glast - May 11, 2024 at 01:36 PM



“ Sorry for your loss.

*Mary Raynard*



Eddie Raynard - May 11, 2024 at 01:14 PM



“ Shelton Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele



Shelton Smith - May 11, 2024 at 10:11 AM



“ Patricia McNeil -Modica sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele



Patricia McNeil -Modica - May 11, 2024 at 12:50 AM



“ Shelia Stokes lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele



Shelia Stokes - May 10, 2024 at 11:23 PM

JC

“ Johnny & Bernadette Chance lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele



Johnny & Bernadette Chance - May 10, 2024 at 10:58 PM

DH

“ Condolences to the Teele family.  
From  
The Peele's family

Darien P Howard - May 10, 2024 at 09:18 PM

LP

*My deepest sympathy to the Teele family. You will never find a woman like Bertha loving and caring those who couldn't help themselves. Sleep in Heaven.*

Linda Pugh - May 11, 2024 at 06:57 PM

PB

“ Saddened to hear of Bertha's passing.  
Sincere condolences to the family  
and praying for your comfort during this  
difficult time.



*Pattye Jackson-Brown & Family*

Pattye Jackson Brown - May 10, 2024 at 03:22 PM

GR

“ *To the Teele Family!  
Bert will truly be missed. My thoughts and prayers are always with you. Hold strong to precious memories of her and she will always be in your heart.*

*Your sister (in love)*

*Gail Perry Royster*

*Wendell, NC*

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**Gail Perry Royster** - May 10, 2024 at 12:14 PM

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“ *Bert, Jordyn and I will forever miss you and remember you fondly. You took care of my dad and, for that, I'll forever be grateful. We are simply devastated losing you but at peace with knowing you no longer have to suffer. We will miss your Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners (which were so special to us especially when Vil was there), your funny stories, you always reminding me that I look just like my daddy, and always wanting to see us. Our late night texting, sending you the latest fashions in the mail as a pick-me-up, nights spent at your house, and calls will always be my best memories of you. You already knew it since we said it at the end of our messages, but I (we) love you! We will miss you dearly.*

*Crystal Todd-Yelverton (Lynn) May 10 at 12:00 AM*



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**Crystal Todd-Yelverton (Lynn)** - May 10, 2024 at 09:39 AM

GB

“ *Glenda Barnes lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele*



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**Glenda Barnes** - May 10, 2024 at 09:20 AM

TB

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele.*



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**Theresa Bridgers** - May 10, 2024 at 08:55 AM

PF

“ *Pastor Milton & Delorse Staton Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele*



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**Pastor Milton & Delorse Staton Family** - May 10, 2024 at 12:18 AM

TB

“ *I lit a candle in Memory of Ms. Bertha Teele*



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**Theresa "Gail" Bridgers** - May 09, 2024 at 06:04 PM

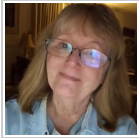
TB

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele.*



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**Theresa "Gail" Bridgers** - May 09, 2024 at 05:32 PM



“ *Our sincere condolences to the family of Bertha Teele. Dempsey and Marykay Bond, Jr.*



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**Marykay Bond** - May 09, 2024 at 05:32 PM

TB

“ *I was deeply saddened to hear about the passing of my former colleague in education. I will forever cherish the fond memories we shared. May the memories of " Bert" help her family and other love ones find peace and comfort.*

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**Theresa "Gail" Bridgers** - May 09, 2024 at 05:20 PM

MH

“ *Mona Harris lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele*



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**Mona Harris** - May 09, 2024 at 01:31 PM

PD

“ *Our sincere condolences to the family of Bertha Teele. Thomas and Patricia Dorsey*



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**Patricia Dorsey** - May 09, 2024 at 11:48 AM

CW

“ *Condolences to the family 🙏*

*Kenneth and Cathy Wallace*



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**Cathy Wallace** - May 09, 2024 at 06:53 AM

NG

*The Purvis and Greene family extend our deepest condolences to the Teele family. May God continue to give you strength during this difficult time.*

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**Nancy P. Greene** - May 10, 2024 at 10:29 PM

JW

“ *Jackie Ward lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele*



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**Jackie Ward** - May 08, 2024 at 09:29 PM

BS

“ Bobby Spruill And Hazel Bell Spruill lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele



Bobby Spruill and Hazel Bell Spruill - May 08, 2024 at 09:01 PM

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“ Patricia McNeil -Modica sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele



Patricia McNeil -Modica - May 08, 2024 at 09:00 PM

DL

“ Deborah McNeil Lloyd lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele



Deborah McNeil Lloyd - May 08, 2024 at 03:14 PM

AC

“ Agnes Clemons sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele



Agnes Clemons - May 08, 2024 at 01:46 PM

SJ

“ *The family, we are sending prayers and heart felt condolences to each of you.*



Shelton and Helen James - May 08, 2024 at 11:44 AM

JL

“ *A lasting memory I have of Bert is her genuine capacity to love, forgive, and comfort others. I never saw a frown upon her face; rather, always that one-of-a-kind laugh, part ripple, part burble, always a warm greeting.*

Janice Leonard-Peace - May 08, 2024 at 10:53 AM

DL

“ *I was so heartbroken to hear of "Bert's" passing. When we were young and attending North Everetts Elementary School she was like that big sister. So many fond memories. RIP my dear sister.*



Donny Lynch - May 08, 2024 at 07:46 AM

GM

“ *Grover And Clorette Mason sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele*



Grover and Clorette Mason - May 07, 2024 at 11:54 PM



“ *Brenda Purvis lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele*



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**Brenda Purvis** - May 07, 2024 at 09:04 PM



“ *Teresa Fleming lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele*



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**Teresa Fleming** - May 07, 2024 at 05:46 PM



“ *MarQuella Thompson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele*



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**MarQuella Thompson** - May 07, 2024 at 05:12 PM



“ *Hazel Shepherd. Jenkins lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele*



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**hazel shepherd. jenkins** - May 07, 2024 at 12:55 PM

GB

“Gregory “Sooky” Bonds lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele



Gregory “Sooky” Bonds - May 07, 2024 at 12:24 PM

JP

“Joyce C Purvis lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele



Joyce C Purvis - May 07, 2024 at 12:23 PM

VI

“Bert, as we would call you, will be sorely missed! I'll always cherish the memories we shared when teaching at Williamston Junior High School and various Dramas that the students performed. My sincere condolences to the family. RIP BERT❤️



VivianWhitfield-Daniels - May 07, 2024 at 10:31 AM

OK

“ Bert, I am truly going to miss you. I'll miss calling you and you calling me back if not texting me. You were really big on texting (lol). I'm glad I had gotten one more time to talk with you and hear your voice. I will never forget the long talks we had. I will always cherish the two poems that you wrote for me. You wrote one when my dad died, and you wrote one for Father's Day. A great writer you were as well. Miss you already girl. I loved you but I know God loved you more.

Odessa Keel-Pugh - May 07, 2024 at 10:24 AM

CS

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



Congleton Funeral Home and Staff - May 07, 2024 at 09:24 AM

CJ

Thanks Bert for being Bert. I will always remember your humbleness.

Charlie Jordan - May 08, 2024 at 12:10 PM

EH

“ May Jesus Christ Continues To Comfort And Strengthen The Family



Evangelist Gwen Hudson - May 07, 2024 at 08:58 AM

JH

“ *Jaunese Hines lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele*



Jaunese Hines - May 07, 2024 at 07:59 AM

JH

“ *You fought a good fight Aunt Bert take your rest love and miss you gone but never forgotten!!!!*

Jaunese Hines - May 07, 2024 at 07:59 AM

DC

“ *My prayers are with the family 🙏 at this time of bereavement and may the Lord keep and bless you. Your Everetts, NC family and friend.*



Donte Crowell - May 06, 2024 at 08:06 PM

M&

“ *My deepest condolences to the family. 🙏🙏*



Marie Lawrence &Family - May 06, 2024 at 05:25 PM

HD

“ *Hazel Brown Davis lit a candle in memory of Ms. Bertha Teele*



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**Hazel Brown Davis** - May 06, 2024 at 02:15 PM