



Mrs. Bessie Lee Johnson Barnes

May 27, 1941 - August 8, 2025

Bessie was born on May 27, 1941, the daughter of Cetta Nichols Johnson and Emmitte Johnson. She was a member of Jefferson Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, where she served on the YPIA Junior Society and as a stewardess. In her spare time, she enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren, doing word puzzles, and shopping.

She is preceded in death by her parents, husband, Albert Barnes; daughter, Althea J. Bradford; three brothers, and three sisters.

Bessie leaves to cherish her memories: sons, Allen Johnson and J. B. Barnes; daughter, Danielle Johnson; brothers, Levi Johnson and Alexander Johnson; grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Jefferson Chapel A. M. E. Church Cemetery

291 Chapel Hill Rd
Natchez, MS 39120

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **15**. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

West Gate Funeral Home (Natchez)
409 N Martin Luther King Jr Street
Natchez, MS 39120
(601) 445-2008
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Funeral

AUG **16**. 12:00 PM (CT)

Jefferson Chapel A. M. E. Church
291 Chapel Hill Rd
Natchez, MS 39120

Burial

AUG 16 (CT)

Jefferson Chapel A. M. E. Church Cemetery
291 Chapel Hill Rd
Natchez, MS 39120

Tribute Wall

WE

“ Wesley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bessie Lee Johnson Barnes



Wesley - September 26, 2025 at 03:39 PM

SM

“ Shirley Mazique lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bessie Lee Johnson Barnes



Shirley Mazique - August 29, 2025 at 11:58 PM

DW

“ My Condolences and Prayers to the Family



Diane Washington - August 19, 2025 at 04:34 PM

HB

“ Such an amazing woman. She welcomed me with open arms when I first introduced myself as JB's friend in 2002. May the Lord be pleased with her and continuously bless her family. JB and Allen, my brothers...I love yall and will be here for you both and your family unconditionally!

Hugh Bright - August 18, 2025 at 02:35 AM

YB

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Mrs Bessie Lee Johnson REST IN PEACE*



Yvonne Blanton Bell - August 16, 2025 at 01:08 AM

RW

“ *Rosa Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bessie Lee Johnson Barnes*



Rosa Wilson - August 15, 2025 at 09:10 PM

JD

“ *Jessie Dorsey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bessie Lee Johnson Barnes*



Jessie Dorsey - August 15, 2025 at 08:19 PM

MW

“ *Maranda Woods lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bessie Lee Johnson Barnes*



Maranda Woods - August 15, 2025 at 07:15 PM

TF

“ Ty Johnson & Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mrs. Bessie Lee Johnson Barnes.



Ty Johnson & Family - August 15, 2025 at 06:12 AM

DM

“ Debbie Morris lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bessie Lee Johnson Barnes



Debbie Morris - August 14, 2025 at 10:30 PM

LF

“ Lorraine Fleming Franklin sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Bessie Lee Johnson Barnes



Lorraine Fleming Franklin - August 14, 2025 at 05:22 PM

LF

“ To Danielle and family may God bless and comfort you at this time. Miss Bessie was a such a loving lady. I first met her when your family became my neighbors many years ago. Our conversations were usually about church, local schools, shopping and children. She even recruited me to help Keith with homework when I was the principal at Frazier Primary (smile). Our conversations will forever be with me. Rest in paradise Miss Bessie. Love Lorraine Fleming-Franklin

Lorraine Fleming Franklin - August 14, 2025 at 05:21 PM

BJ

“ My deepest sympathy to the family. Brenda Dixon Jarvis



Brenda Jarvis - August 13, 2025 at 06:22 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Bessie Lee Johnson Barnes.



August 12, 2025 at 09:02 PM