



## Mrs. Florence Curtis Ragland

July 14, 1933 - February 9, 2025

Florence was July 14, 1933 in Natchez, the daughter of Evelyn Curtis and Burnett Sims. She was a high school graduate and a retired housekeeper. Mrs. Ragland was a member of Bright Star Baptist Church where she served on the Mother's Board, as a Sunday School teacher and choir member. She was also the Grand Matron of Emma Morris Chapter #12 Order of the Eastern Stars. Florence enjoyed cooking and fishing.

She is preceded in death by her spouse, Arthur Ragland, her mother; and brother, Lorenzo Jackson.

Florence's memories will be forever cherished by her daughter, Joyce Ragland Smith (Earl), son, Dennis Curtis; sister, Mary Foster; grandchildren: Cottrell Ragland (Angela), Danyata Smith (Erienne) and Evelyn Smith, Esq; great grandchildren; great-great grandchildren, other relatives and friends. Online condolences may be sent to [www.westgatefh.com](http://www.westgatefh.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Natchez City Cenetry

1 Cemetery Road  
Natchez, MS 39120

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 14. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

West Gate Funeral Home (Natchez)  
409 N Martin Luther King Jr Street  
Natchez, MS 39120  
(601) 445-2008  
james@westgatefh.com  
<https://westgatefuneralhome.com>

## Ceremonies

FEB 14. 5:50 PM - 6:30 PM (CT)

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## Funeral

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FEB 15. 2:00 PM (CT)

New Beginnings Missionary Baptist Church  
35 Triumph Lane  
Natchez, MS 39120

## Burial

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FEB 15 (CT)

Natchez City Cenetery  
1 Cemetery Road  
Natchez, MS 39120

# Tribute Wall

RA

“ *May God continue to keep you. Our condolences go out to you and your family. Lonnie Jean, Elayne, Donnell, Shay, and Byron*



Rachea - February 24, 2025 at 12:48 PM

RL

“ *Sending our condolences with love and prayers to Joyce Ragland Smith and family.*  
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*Jimmy & Regina Smith & Family*



Regina Logan-Smith - February 18, 2025 at 02:54 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Florence Curtis Ragland.*



February 15, 2025 at 11:16 AM

ST

“ *Blessings to each of you in this time of Sadness. Granny Florence was a sweet lady, The time I've know her was short, but her sweet spirit made it seem like I've known her all my life! Y'all are like family to me and I send My deepest condolences to All of My Smith and Ragland Family..Love Stella*❤️

Stella - February 14, 2025 at 07:45 PM

LM

“ *Lyvonne Smoot McDougle lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence Curtis Ragland*



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**Lyvonne Smoot McDougle** - February 14, 2025 at 07:21 PM

CJ

“ *Sending my prayers and condolences to the family. Mrs. Smith your mother was a beautiful person. She always met you with a smile. Rest in peace sweet lady.*

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**Clarena Jones** - February 14, 2025 at 01:25 PM

CJ

“ *Carsetha Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence Curtis Ragland*



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**Carsetha Johnson** - February 14, 2025 at 12:30 PM

KD

“ *Sending heartfelt condolences to my cousins on the passing of their beloved mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. May God comfort and strengthen you all during this time!*



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**Kirstin Dallas** - February 13, 2025 at 11:12 PM

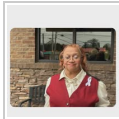


“ *Hattie Poole lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence Curtis Ragland*



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**Hattie Poole** - February 13, 2025 at 11:03 PM



*She was a wonderful person and a sweet Lady she will be miss*

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**Hattie Poole** - February 13, 2025 at 11:04 PM

SF

“ *Simsynthia & Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence Curtis Ragland*



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**Simsynthia & Family** - February 13, 2025 at 10:57 PM



“ *Lit a candle in memory of Mrs Florence Curtis Ragland*



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**Yvonne Bell** - February 13, 2025 at 10:12 PM

BJ

“ My condolences to Dennis, Joyce and the family. May God give you strength to endure these difficult days ahead.  
Brenda Dixon Jarvis and family



Brenda Dixon Jarvis - February 13, 2025 at 08:51 PM

KE

“ Evelyn,  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Love your LABlue family in Baton Rouge, LA - Laura, Kenya, Sheri, Alecia, Sarah, Walter, Nate, Courtney, Margrett and Stacy.

Kenya - February 13, 2025 at 07:37 PM

YF

“ Your LABlue Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Florence Curtis Ragland.



Your LABlue Family - February 13, 2025 at 07:08 PM

JM

“ Ms. Florence was the sweetest lady. I remember her from Bright Star, always had a smile on her face. She truly will be missed. Condolences to her family, I know they will miss her. She loved her family.



Julie Mack - February 13, 2025 at 10:19 AM

AW

“ *Ann Washington lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence Curtis Ragland*



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**Ann Washington** - February 13, 2025 at 10:19 AM

AJ

“ *Heartfelt condolences to the family. May you find peace and comfort during this difficult time.* 🌸



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**Alma Johnson** - February 12, 2025 at 02:56 PM

BB

“ *My love to Joyce. Florence is part of me and helped raise me. She was so kind and loving but strict when necessary. I am thinking of Joyce and the rest of her family.*

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**Bertha Blanchard** - February 11, 2025 at 08:21 PM

GG

“ *Georgia Green lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence Curtis Ragland*



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**Georgia Green** - February 10, 2025 at 07:45 AM

FM

“ Florence Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Florence Curtis Ragland



Florence Mitchell - February 09, 2025 at 07:07 PM

MN

“ Marie Norman sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Florence Curtis Ragland



Marie Norman - February 09, 2025 at 06:29 PM

MN

You where the most sweetest and kind hearted person anyone could meet.

Marie Norman - February 09, 2025 at 06:32 PM

WH

“ The West Gate Family extends our heartfelt sympathy to the Ragland/Smith Family.

May the memories of Mrs. Florence and the Love of Family surround you and give you strength in the days ahead. We are thinking of you and wishing you Peace and Comfort. We will continue to uplift the Family in Prayer.

West Gate Funeral Home - February 09, 2025 at 02:34 PM

WH

“ *West Gate Funeral Home lit a candle in  
memory of Mrs. Florence Curtis Ragland*



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**West Gate Funeral Home** - February 09, 2025 at 02:29 PM