



Mattie Florence Tellis Sanders

June 18, 1940 - August 26, 2022

Mattie Florence Tellis Sanders, 82, of Chattanooga, quietly and peacefully slept on to her eternal rest on Friday, August 26, 2022, at her residence. She was born June 18, 1940 to the late Virginia Odom and Ross Tellis. She was educated in the Public School System. Florence loved to sing. She sang with various groups in the city including The Gospel Airs, Lady Mass Choir, The Louis Ensemble, Chattanooga Mass Choir, Indian Creek P.B. District Choir, Antioch Senior, and Sanctuary Choir. She was raised in Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church and later joined Antioch Primitive Baptist where she remained a member for over 50 years. Florence worked at Jackson Manufacturing Water Heaters, the school system and various other jobs. She was a Foster Grandparent for many years. Florence retired from the Residence Inn in 2002. On any given day, you could find Florence downstairs in the Lobby of her Apartment Complex talking and laughing with the Ladies. She loved her grand and great-grandchildren. She was known to them as “Granny” or “Flo”. Each one of them had their own special relationship with her. She will truly be missed by them. Florence was preceded in death by her mother, Virginia Odom; father, Ross Tellis; brother, James Odom, Sr.; sister, Lelia Allen; daughter, Vonedith Tellis; and grandson, Edward Glenn, Jr. Survivors include two daughters, Bessie Tellis and Sherra Glenn Tellis; one brother, Marshall Tools; six grandchildren, Renee Tellis, Maurice Carter, Jr., Jacobia Mays, Jeremy Kyles, Javonna (Cassanova) Lee, and Jacquetta Glenn; one adopted granddaughter, Rakia (Toney) Williams; 18 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great-

grandson; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives; special friends, Jean Lewis, Helen Shackleford, Mary Woods, Charles Toney, and many other friends. Elder Leslie will serve as the eulogist.

Cemetery Details

Greenwood Cemetery

1954 Greenwood Road
Chattanooga, TN 37406

Previous Events

Lie-In-State

SEP **9**. 12:30 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc
3417 Wilcox Boulevard
Chattanooga, TN 37411

Service

SEP **10**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Antioch Primitive Baptist Church
1107 N. Hickory Street
Chattanooga, TN 37404
alt8212715@aol.com

Tribute Wall

FJ

“ *Frederick McClendon Jr lit a candle in memory of Mattie Florence Tellis Sanders*



Frederick McClendon Jr - October 22, 2022 at 09:47 PM

BB

“ *We are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Florence, our dear former neighbor. Bessie, Lynn and family, we extend our heartfelt and deepest sympathies. Keeping your family in our prayers. William & Beverly Bulls and family*



Beverly Bulls - September 13, 2022 at 03:33 PM

FD

“ *A loving mother, grandmother and great grandmother. Praying for you all. Love yall!*

Fallan Deloach - September 10, 2022 at 08:35 PM

HE

“ *Praying 🙏 that God will continue to embrace you all during this difficult season. His promise is to never leave nor forsake us. Ms. Florence will be greatly missed..met this family many years ago. ELDER HENRIETTA ERSKINE 💛💜 OLIVET BAPTIST CHURCH*
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Henrietta Erskine - September 09, 2022 at 12:52 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mattie Florence Tellis Sanders.*



September 09, 2022 at 06:41 AM



“ *Eric and Tameka purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mattie Florence Tellis Sanders.*



Eric and Tameka - September 08, 2022 at 04:40 PM



“ *Joyce Fears sent a virtual gift in memory of Mattie Florence Tellis Sanders*



Joyce Fears - September 08, 2022 at 11:40 AM



“ *Sending prayers to her family such a sweet and kind lady, so blessed to have had the opportunity to know her.*



Connie Lewis - September 08, 2022 at 10:08 AM

FA

“ *With Deepest Sympathy and Love!*
Bobby and Frankie Anderson 💕💕🌹



Frankie Anderson - September 06, 2022 at 03:46 PM

DP

“ *Debra A Pointer lit a candle in memory of*
Mattie Florence Tellis Sanders



Debra A Pointer - September 03, 2022 at 11:36 PM

JJ

“ *Jackie Johnson lit a candle in memory of*
Mattie Florence Tellis Sanders



Jackie Johnson - September 02, 2022 at 04:29 PM

GP

“ *Gertrude Bailey Perkins lit a candle in*
memory of Mattie Florence Tellis Sanders



Gertrude Bailey Perkins - September 02, 2022 at 09:54 AM

LR

“ *Lorna Rice lit a candle in memory of Mattie Florence Tellis Sanders*



Lorna Rice - September 01, 2022 at 05:55 PM

MT

“ *Marva Brown Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mattie Florence Tellis Sanders*



Marva Brown Taylor - September 01, 2022 at 05:22 PM

LC

“ *Lois Cousin lit a candle in memory of Mattie Florence Tellis Sanders*



Lois Cousin - September 01, 2022 at 01:10 PM

LC

At a time when words are hard to find, may the God of comfort bring peace to the family, and the assurance of His loving presence during this time. Heartfelt sympathy.

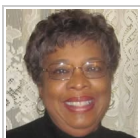
Lois Cousin - September 01, 2022 at 01:13 PM

DF

“ *Darden Family lit a candle in memory of
Mattie Florence Tellis Sanders*



Darden Family - September 01, 2022 at 12:37 PM



“ *Doris Junell Parham lit a candle in memory of
Mattie Florence Tellis Sanders*



Doris Junell Parham - September 01, 2022 at 02:14 AM

EM

“ *Elaine Malone lit a candle in memory of
Mattie Florence Tellis Sanders*



Elaine Malone - August 31, 2022 at 09:36 PM

NR

“ *Sending my condolences to the family. I've
grow up at church knowing Florence & family.
She has always call me Nokie. She was a
sweet lady and funny. Going to miss her rest
on Florence Mae as I call her rest on.*



Niota L Robinson - August 31, 2022 at 10:00 AM