



Bessie Parris

July 1, 1928 - July 17, 2011

Bessie Barnette Parris, 83, of 205 Brookwood Drive, died July 17, 2011 at McCall Hospice House.

A native of Spartanburg County, daughter of the late Lindsey and Fannie Weaver Barnette, she was a homemaker and a member of Burnsvie Baptist Church.

Surviving are her husband, Rev. Talmadge Parris of the home; two daughters and son-in-law, Kathy P. Sullens of Simpsonville and Rita P. and Bobby Burns of Simpsonville; five grandchildren, Dr. Todd Sullens (Nicole), Rev. Lee Sullens (Lara), Kristin Sullens Mullis (Ethan), Greta Burns Holmes (John Mark), and Katie Burns Best (Mark); five great-grandchildren; a sister-in-law; two nieces and one nephew.

Mrs. Parris was predeceased by a son-in-law, Terry Sullens and two brothers, Roy Barnette and Elmer Barnette.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Wednesday at Burnsvie Baptist Church, conducted by Rev. Tim Huckaby, Rev. Harold King, and Dr. Todd Sullens. Burial will follow in Graceland East Memorial Park.

Visitation will be held 9:30-10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

The family is at the home.

Memorials may be made to Burnsvie Baptist Church, 9690 Reidville Road, Greer, SC 29651.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 20. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Burnsview Baptist Church
9690 Reidville Road
Greer, SC 29651

Service

JUL 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

Burnsview Baptist Church
9690 Reidville Road
Greer, SC 29651

Tribute Wall



“ *Talmadge and Family,
We were so sorry to hear the news of your loss. What a joy and blessing to have known Bess. We have treasured your friendship through the years. Talmadge, you and Bess set the example for a wonderful and loving pastor and wife. Your family is in our prayers. Love, Robert and Becky*###imported-begin##*Robert and Becky Bevill*###imported-end##

July 23, 2011 at 10:10 PM



“ *Dear Paris Family,
I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I attended Burnsview Baptist as a child and have so many fond memories of Mrs. Bess and Preacher Paris. She touched many lives. May she rest in peace.*

Frankie Flynn Kemp###imported-begin##*Frankie Kemp*###imported-end##

July 20, 2011 at 12:34 PM



“ *Dear Uncle Talmadge and family, I am very sorry to hear about Aunt Bessie's passing. I know she is in Heaven but she will be missed! I remember when we all used to go to Papa Boyce Parris' house Christmas night and eat goodies and sing songs with your family! I miss those times! Bessie was always so sweet! May God give you all comfort and peace during this difficult time. God Bless you all! Your great neice, Julie Sexton-Folk*###imported-begin##*Julie Sexton-Folk*###imported-end##

July 20, 2011 at 04:08 AM



“ *Talmadge and Family,*

I was very saddened to hear about the passing of Mrs. Bess. Your family has meant so much to the Robert and Lillian Jones family, as well as myself, Bill, Betty, Sondra, and Donnie. We will never forget Bess. You have our deepest sympathy.##imported-begin##Syrita Jones##imported-end##

July 19, 2011 at 09:44 PM



“ *Tam, all our love and prayers are with you ,Kathy,and rRta and their families. We have that blessed hope of seeing her again. God bless all of you in a special way. Love, Joyce and Angela##imported-begin##Joyce Parris##imported-end##*

July 19, 2011 at 10:04 AM



“ *Rev. Talmadge and Family, Our hearts are heavy hearing about the passing of Ms. Bess. She was such a sweet person and mentor to both of us. We have sweet memories at church and also being our neighbor for so many years. We will see Bess sweet face again. We love you. May God Bless you all.##imported-begin##Mark and Trina Hostetler##imported-end##*

July 18, 2011 at 10:54 PM



“ To The Parris Family - Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this most difficult time your going through. Ms. Bess was a very special person who was loved by all who knew her. We are going to miss seeing her at church. We know she is with her Lord and rejoicing at the many beautiful things she is getting to enjoy. We're here if we can help in any way. All our love, Wallace & Judy###imported-begin##Wallace & Judy Perry###imported-end##

July 18, 2011 at 08:25 PM



“ Rev. Parris and Family,

We are so sorry for your loss as well as Burnsvie Baptist Church's loss. What a wonderful person and member Bess has always been. We will miss her, but please know we have all of you in our thoughts and prayers.

With Love,###imported-begin##James & Jean Brockman###imported-end##

July 18, 2011 at 07:11 PM



“ Tam, Girls, & Family,

We were so sorry to hear of Bess's passing. We will really miss her and all the happiness she brought to others.

Our love and prayers are with all of you.

With Love,###imported-begin##Robert & Lorene Spears###imported-end##

July 18, 2011 at 07:07 PM



“ Tam, Rita, Bobby, Kathy, & Family,

Words cannot express our sorrow in loosing our long-time friend, one of the best we'll ever be priviledged to have. But, we would are glad that where Bess is right now, there is no more sorrow, nor pain, nor feeling of seperation either. She's happy and at peace.

Please know that our love and sympathy are with you all.

Always,##imported-begin##Bill and Betty Newman##imported-end##

July 18, 2011 at 07:02 PM



“ Tam, Kathy, Rita, Bobby, Grandchildren, & Family,

We were saddened by the news of your loved one, Bess's passing. However, we know that she passed into God's Beautiful Heaven, and that He was waiting for her there.

We will really miss Bess and her sweet, sweet spirit. Bess was truly a one of a kind person. She gave so much of herself to all of us and to Burnsvew thru all the years.

We look forward to meeting her again one day, and to seeing that sweet smile again.

Love And Sympathy To All,##imported-begin##Donnie & Sondra Smith##imported-end##

July 18, 2011 at 06:57 PM



“ *To Talmadge and Family*

We were so sadden to hear of Bessie death. You two were such a loving devoted couple and we will all miss her greatly, but Talmadge, know you will miss her most of all. Just know she is in Heaven with all the other Angels

Love

Joe and Alinda Mahaffey###imported-begin##Joe and Alinda Mahaffey###imported-end##

July 18, 2011 at 01:44 PM