



Bernice Hughley

September 9, 1931 - February 10, 2025

She was a cherished mother, grandmother, greatgrandmother, sister, and friend. Bernice was born to the late Willie Pinkard and Lucille White Pinkard on September 9, 1931, in Notasulga, Alabama. She was a beloved soul who touched the hearts of many and dedicated her life to serving God, family, and community.

She married the love of her life, Eddie Hughley, Sr., in 1949, and together, they created a beautiful life in Apopka, Florida, where they raised their five sons. She was a devoted wife, a nurturing mother, and the most loving grandmother, always placing the needs of others before her own. Throughout her life, Bernice's heart for service was evident in everything she did. She gave her life to Christ at a young age, and her faith guided her every step. Bernice served for over sixty years as a dedicated and faithful member of Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church in Apopka. She was a Deaconess, a member of the Apopka Progressive Seniors Club, the Willing Workers Club, and the Nurse's Aide Ministry, always answering the call to serve with a willing heart and a humble spirit.

She attended Macon County Public Schools in Alabama. After moving to Florida, she devoted many years to serving children in her community, retiring from the Orange County Public Schools system. Throughout her life, she was known for her kindness, gentle nature, and incredible ability to make everyone

around her feel special and loved. Bernice had a gift for making others feel valued, and her home was a sanctuary of warmth and comfort for all who entered. Her family and friends will forever remember her as a woman of endless compassion who always put others before herself and exemplified what it meant to live a Christ-centered life.

In addition to her family and faith, Bernice was an avid volunteer, always willing to lend a hand in local nursing homes and wherever there was a need. Her love for others was boundless, and she lived her life in service to others. Known for her walks across Apopka and her dedication to staying active, Bernice's spirit was one of joy and kindness. She was a wonderful cook, baker, and homemaker, always making sure her family was well-cared for and loved. Her smile, laugh, and kind words will be missed by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Eddie Hughley, Sr., her parents, Willie and Lucille Pinkard; two sons, Eddie Hughley, Jr. and Lorenzo Hughley. brothers, Stanford, William, Frank, and Otis Pinkard, and Sister, Ethel Louise Pinkard.

She leaves behind to cherish her memories: Sons: Clifford Hughley (Jerene) Apopka, Florida; Alton Hughley (Angelyn) Apopka, Florida; and Kelvin Hughley (Torrey) Salina, Kansas; along with 29 grandchildren, 20 Greatgrandchildren, and 3 Great-great-grands who were the light of her life. Two Sisters in-law: Annie Jewel Hughley and Marie (Rose) Pinkard, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and many sorrowing friends. The Pleasant View Church is in mourning!

Cemetery Details

Edgewood-Greenwood Cemetery ~ Apopka

141 South Edgewood Drive
Apopka, FL 32703

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 21. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Pleasant View Baptist Church
1202 S. Central Ave.
Apopka, FL 32703

Service

FEB 22. 11:00 AM (ET)

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1202 S. Central Ave.
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Tribute Wall

HH

“ i miss you gan so much 💔

hyaleigh hughley - July 10, 2025 at 04:04 PM

IH

“ I love you grandma, I'm so sorry I couldn't be with you during your last days 🥹❤️

Isaiah Hughley - March 16, 2025 at 06:54 AM

MS

“ MONICA DENISE SCOTT lit a candle in memory of Bernice Hughley



MONICA DENISE SCOTT - March 14, 2025 at 07:46 PM

UO

“ Mrs. Bernice Hughley was a longtime loving and nurturing neighborhood. Moreover, a beautiful family member and friend. She will be missed dearly. Precious memories and one of many funny stories. When my son Manddell, was younger, he would always go over to visit and talk with her. He would come back home on different days with fruit cocktail cake, peppermint candy, cookies, and other goodies one him and one for me. He had the nerves to ask her can I have one for my mom? He would come home gladly with his treats and say here mom this one is for you, I asked if I could get one for you. I would say to him, son if she gives something to you, you cannot ask her to give you something for me. His response, I wanted you to have some too. I would always have to walk over and say thank you. She never denied my son's request even though I told her not to. She would even called to tell him to come over for his favorite piece of fruit cocktail cake, whenever she baked it and it became mine as well. Grateful for the precious memories and love. Manddell, Tony, and Carol sends their heartfelt condolences and deepest expression of sympathy.



Una J. Owens - February 21, 2025 at 11:23 PM

WM

“ W. McKnight lit a candle in memory of Bernice Hughley



W. McKnight - February 21, 2025 at 10:48 PM

CG

“ *We express our deepest condolences to the
Hughley family.*

Sincerely, the Gaines family



Cassandra Gaines - February 21, 2025 at 07:54 PM

CB

“ A Tribute to My Mother-in-Love

I want to take a moment to honor and express my deepest appreciation for a truly special woman. Being your daughter-in-law has been a blessing, and though life has taken different turns, my respect and gratitude for you have never wavered.

One of the greatest reflections of your love and devotion is you raising 5 sons after being widowed at young age and as a single parent. But beyond that, your love has extended into so many moments that have shaped all of us, especially the warmth of your Sunday dinners.

Those meals weren't just about food—they were about family, laughter, and the joy of being together. The smell of collard greens simmering on the stove, the golden crisp of fried chicken, the comfort of creamy mac and cheese, and the sweet taste of cornbread fresh from your oven—those flavors weren't just meals; they were your love served on a plate. And of course, no Sunday dinner was complete without your famous fruit cocktail cake, which was always the perfect sweet ending to a day filled with warmth and togetherness.

Around the room, we shared stories, created memories, and felt the deep, unconditional love that only a mother and grandmother can provide. Those traditions live on in our hearts, especially in your beloved granddaughter Bernice Takeria "Niocy" Hughley, who carries your name with pride and continues to be a beautiful reflection of you.

Your love and guidance have created a legacy that lives through generations, and we are all so grateful for you. Thank you for the wisdom you've shared, the love you've given, and the home you've made feel like a place of warmth and belonging.

Your presence will be deeply cherished

With love and gratitude,

Camellia Bernard

Camellia Bernard - February 21, 2025 at 05:29 PM

CJ

“ Our prayers are with the family. Mrs. Bernice was a very strong woman who was a widow at an early age. She raised 5 sons and they all grew into very fine men, strong men a true testament to their Mothers strength and leadership. She was a quiet woman, friendly and her presence here on 19th street surely be missed. I will always remember her beautiful soft voice and kind smile. Take your rest and we will see you on the other side.
From: your neighbors Mary Brown, Denise, Caren, Lamar, Jared and Xavier



Caren Jones - February 21, 2025 at 12:46 PM

VM

“ Velda M McRae lit a candle in memory of Bernice Hughley



Velda M McRae - February 20, 2025 at 07:11 PM

DH

“ Darwin Hismith purchased the Simply Elegant Sp athiphyllum for the family of Bernice Hughley.



Darwin Hismith - February 20, 2025 at 04:26 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Bernice Hughley.*



February 20, 2025 at 03:26 PM



“ *MzTisha Love lit a candle in memory of Bernice Hughley*



MzTisha Love - February 20, 2025 at 05:35 AM



“ *Forever in my heart granny 🥰🥰 missing you 💔*

Teresa Hughley - February 19, 2025 at 08:58 PM



“ *Your Waste Connections Family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Bernice Hughley.*



Your Waste Connections Family - February 19, 2025 at 08:30 AM

WF

“ *West Family lit a candle in memory of Bernice Hughley*



West Family - February 19, 2025 at 08:21 AM

CH

“ *My condolences and prayers* 🙏🙏🙏🕊️🕊️🕊️

Carolyn Harris - February 18, 2025 at 10:14 AM

LP

“ *My love, condolences, thoughts and prayers are with the Hughley family as “we” go through this difficult time of grief-my sweet, loving and caring Aunt Bernice. Your niece, Laurice* 🙏🌸❤️

Laurice Peterson - February 16, 2025 at 07:03 PM

UO

“ *Una J. Owens lit a candle in memory of Bernice Hughley*



Una J. Owens - February 15, 2025 at 10:49 PM

MM

“ *Mary Lois Morss lit a candle in memory of Bernice Hughley*



Mary Lois Morss - February 15, 2025 at 07:09 AM

MA

“ *THE FAMILY IS IN MY PRAYERS*

MAMIE LONG KELLY



Mamie Long ago - February 14, 2025 at 07:41 PM

TD

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Bernice Hughley*



Terric Durden - February 14, 2025 at 05:11 PM

MM

“ *Mary Lois Morss lit a candle in memory of Bernice Hughley*



Mary Lois Morss - February 14, 2025 at 01:33 PM

AN

“ A virtual gift was sent in memory of Bernice Hughley



Annie Newsome - February 14, 2025 at 09:59 AM

DN

“ Newsome Family lit a candle in memory of Bernice Hughley



Dot Newsome - February 14, 2025 at 09:57 AM

MS

“ Minnie Long Scott sent a virtual gift in memory of Bernice Hughley



Minnie Long Scott - February 14, 2025 at 05:26 AM

PG

“ Patricia A Grant lit a candle in memory of Bernice Hughley



Patricia A Grant - February 13, 2025 at 06:55 PM

CD

“ *CLARA J DESUE lit a candle in memory of Bernice Hughley*



CLARA J DESUE - February 13, 2025 at 06:41 PM

CW

“ *Charlie Mae Warren sent a virtual gift in memory of Bernice Hughley*



Charlie Mae Warren - February 13, 2025 at 05:37 PM