



## Deaconess Irma Jean Adams

April 21, 1940 - August 11, 2024

To view the Service via Youtube use the link below:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pZo63UN\\_Irs](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pZo63UN_Irs)

To view the Service via Facebook use the link below:

<https://www.facebook.com/ZandersFuneralLIVE/>

Mrs. Irma Jean Furlow Adams was born on April 21, 1940, in Eustis, Florida to the parents of Oscar B. Furlow and Lucille King Williams.

Mrs. Adams attended and graduated from Eustis Vocational High School. While in high school, she met the love of her life, Mr. Thomas Charles Adams. They were united in Holy Matrimony on July 25, 1961, and were married for sixty-three (63) years. During this wed God blessed them with a bouncing baby boy, Thomas Charles Adams, Jr. He also blessed them with seven (7) grandchildren and if you knew Mrs. Adams, you knew they all were the apples of her eye.

Mrs. Adams accepted Christ at a very early age and was baptized at the Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church under the pastorate of the late Reverend A. L. Russell where she was a member until she wed her husband, Mr. Thomas Adams. Mrs. Adams later became a member of East End Baptist Tabernacle in Bridgeport, Connecticut under the pastorate of Reverend

Vernon Thompson. There she was ordained as a Deaconess and served until she and her husband moved to Clermont, Florida.

Upon relocating to Clermont, they then became members of the Gethsemane Baptist Church of Eustis, Inc., under the pastorate of Reverend William Hawkins. Deaconess Adams was a faithful member of Gethsemane and was installed as a Deaconess. She was also elected the President of Pastor's Aide and taught classes on the responsibilities and duties of Pastor's Aides, in addition to serving as a Sunday School teacher. She loved herself some Reverend Hawkins and he loved her.

Deaconess Adams instilled a good work ethic, much love, support, and kindness to her family as well as others she came in contact with. She loved the Lord and demonstrated her love for the things of God by attending her local church, in addition to the many local, state, and national conventions where she met so many people.

She loved to sew and sewed many handkerchiefs of many colors to anyone who did or did not even ask. She also made wrist corsages for the Deaconess of Gethsemane. Whatever the task, she took pride in it and followed it through until the end.

She was instrumental in many children going to school, and college. She would often say, "if you write me, you will get something in return"; some did and were financially blessed and of course received words of encouragement.

Deaconess Adams made her eternal transition on Sunday, August 11, 2024, at 4:43 a.m. She was preceded in death by her parents, Oscar B. Furlow and Lucille King Williams, her grandparents, four (4) of her siblings, uncles, aunts, Sister-in-law, and cousins.

Mrs. Adams leaves to cherish her memories as well as her legacy to her loving and devoted Husband, Thomas Charles Adams, Sr.; Son, Thomas Charles Adams, Jr. (Linda); eight (8) Grandchildren: Paul Michael Adams, Brandon Adams, Mikaela Adams Bigelow (Byron), Wayman Charles Adams, Haley & Hunter Mitchell Adams, Jade Adams, and Alex Russo; two (2) Great Grandchildren: Sofia Turcios Rivera and Aria Lila Adams; Siblings: Andria Linnie Williams, Valerie Williams, Nathaniel “ Sonny” Williams (Rentia), Daisy Furlow White, Faye King (Eugene), James Furlow, Oscar Furlow (Sharin); Brothers-in-law: Sed Adams, Jr. (Sophronia), David Adams, and Victor Newman; Sisters-in-law: Vicki L. Berry, and Retha Mae Woolfork; a special cousin, Paulette; numerous-plus Godchildren, and a host of loving relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Oak Hill Cemetery

Clermont, FL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 17. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Gethsemane Baptist Church  
560 South Bay Street  
Eustis, FL 32726

## Service

AUG 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

JP

“ Love you forever, Irma. Your playmate, Booker T., has joined you.

Janita Poe - September 02, 2025 at 10:34 AM

LG

“ Deepest Sympathy is extended to the Adams Family as you mourn the passing of your love one. Praying to God that He will continue to keep you in His Care and Give you Peace. - Linda Graves, Bridgeport, CT



Linda Graves - August 21, 2024 at 01:19 PM

VW

“ Heaven gained and angel when my sister left this world, her spirit a luminous presence that brighten my path with love and grace. RIP Irma love you baby sis. Valerie Williams



Valerie L Williams - August 18, 2024 at 12:44 PM

NF

“ Nathaniel L Benn Sr and Family purchased the S erene Retreat for the family of Deaconess Irma Jean Adams.



Nathaniel L Benn Sr and Family - August 18, 2024 at 11:19 AM

GB

“ *Condolences, to husband and family.*

*Ms. Irma was an amazing lady indeed. she and my Mom ( Shirley L. Benn ) RIH. were friends from high school to adulthood. Our family moved from Eustis to New Castle, Delaware. Ms.Irma Jean would come and visit her Mother in Delaware and would always stop by my parents house. Memories..*

*Nathaniel L. Benn and family ( Kent Sr., Curt, Nate Jr. Gail and Donna ( FB friend) We ❤️ love our Ms.Irma Jean and thanks for the memories.*

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**Gail L Benn-Colbert** - August 18, 2024 at 10:53 AM

DB

“ *I know she missed one of her dear friends, my mom, Naomi Barber. I have a few more pictures if the family would like to have them. RIP Mrs. Irma.*



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**Diane W Barber** - August 16, 2024 at 06:59 PM

GT

“ My sincere heartfelt condolences, thoughts, and prayers are with the entire family of Mrs. Irma Jean. 🙏❤️

She was always such a classy, well dressed lady and shared her love with my late granddaughter, Tierra Isaac. She will be forever remembered for her kindness, thoughtfulness and friendliness. Rest In Peaceful Paradise 🌹

Gail I. Thomas  
Eustis



Gail Isaac Thomas - August 16, 2024 at 05:24 PM

WH

“ Walter Hadnot planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Deaconess Irma Jean Adams.

Walter Hadnot - August 15, 2024 at 10:52 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Deaconess Irma Jean Adams.



August 15, 2024 at 10:52 PM

DL

“ My deepest condolences to you and your family at the loss of my dear friend Irma. We shared so many happy times together here in Connecticut. She will sadly be missed.

Dana E Smith LFDE - August 15, 2024 at 12:35 PM

CB

“ Sending my deepest condolences to the family. Irma Jean was a jewel her and her husband Papa T is what I called him. She will truly be missed. I met the Adam's when they lived in Connecticut my sister Godparents. I will keep Papa T, her son and grandchildren in my thoughts and prayers 🕊️🕊️

Carolyn B. Brodie  
Durham NC



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Carolyn B. Brodie - August 14, 2024 at 06:51 PM

LP

“ With Sympathy and Prayers for Comfort. Thinking of you and asking God to hold you close in comfort and love ❤️. Deaconess Laurice Peterson



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Laurice Peterson - August 14, 2024 at 01:20 PM

LP

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Laurice Peterson - August 14, 2024 at 12:46 PM