



## Mattie Lou Jenkins

July 6, 1931 - April 23, 2019

Mattie Lou (Bussey) Jenkins was born July 6, 1931 in Quitman County, Georgia to the late Homer Bussey and Lorene (Granger) Bussey. She was the second of eight children and is survived by three sisters, Ethel Holman, Irene Thomas and Annette Rose; three brothers and one sister who preceded her in death; Willie H. Bussey, Benjamin Bussey, Henry Bussey and Archie Bell Smothers. On April 23, 2019, our beloved mother was called to her heavenly home.

At an early age Mattie committed her life to the Lord at St. Paul A.M.E. Church in Hatcher, Georgia. In December of 1945, she married Earnest (Shug) Jenkins, who fondly gave her the nickname "Candy Doll". They were married for 73 years and are the proud parents of ten children: James, Willie Eva (deceased), Mattie Pearl, Larry, Andrew, George, Harold, Eddie, Glenn and Debbie.

After the birth of their first four children, the family relocated to Winter Garden, Florida in 1960, where they became members of Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church. Relocating to Orlando in 1970, the family later joined New Inspiration Baptist Church. When nephew Pastor Omega Jenkins became pastor of True Vine Baptist Church, Mattie, Ernest, and several family members moved their membership to True Vine Baptist Church. Mattie loved Sunday School and singing in the choir. She raised their children to be God-

fearing. She balanced high expectations for them with humor and laughter that filled the room.

Working in the home, Mattie often provided child care services for her grandchildren as well as countless others who call her grandma. Now young adults, they all testify to the profound impact she had on their lives. Many youth in the community appreciated her kind heart and incredible cooking. Mattie was known as a godly and caring woman who opened her home to those in need. To her husband and children, she was the virtuous woman of Proverbs 31.

She is survived by her husband, Earnest (Shug) Jenkins; nine children, James (Ferndale), Mattie Pearl (Prince), Larry (Shirley), Andrew (Andrea), George, Harold (Barbara), Eddie (Sharon), Glenn, Debbie (Cummings); 29 grandchildren; 42 great grandchildren; 4 great-great grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and extended family.

# Cemetery Details

## Winter Garden Cemetery

13636 Butler Boulevard  
Winter Garden, FL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 3. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Washington Shores Church of Christ  
2818 Orange Center Boulevard  
Orlando, FL 32805

## Service

MAY 4. 1:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church  
4077 Prince Hall Blvd.  
Orlando, FL 32811

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mattie Lou Jenkins*

October 22, 2023 at 05:49 PM



“ *Linda Renee Kohliem lit a candle in memory of Mattie Lou Jenkins*



**Linda Renee Kohliem** - May 13, 2019 at 08:10 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mattie Lou Jenkins.*



May 03, 2019 at 11:57 PM



“ *I will always be grateful to her and the Jenkins family. She took in my daughter Kaja, and raised a her as her own granddaughter. She literally saved her life. We miss her, prayers and love to the whole family. Tanya, Kyra & Kaja*



**Tanya Swift** - May 03, 2019 at 07:43 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mattie Lou Jenkins.*



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May 03, 2019 at 02:28 PM



“ *To the Jenkins Family,  
Please accept our heartfelt condolences during this time of loss and tribute. May God's blessings continue to shower you today and beyond.*  
*Ronald and Gloria Blocker*

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**Ronald Blocker** - May 03, 2019 at 11:33 AM



“ *My Deepest Sympathy to the Jenkins Family*



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**Lawanda Stewart** - May 02, 2019 at 06:07 PM



“ *Rosita and Robert Riley purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mattie Lou Jenkins.*



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**Rosita and Robert Riley** - May 01, 2019 at 12:41 AM

JF

“ *John Morris & Staff, OCPS Facilities purchased the Care and Compassion Spray for the family of Mattie Lou Jenkins.*



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**John Morris & Staff, OCPS Facilities** - April 30, 2019 at 09:56 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mattie Lou Jenkins.*



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April 29, 2019 at 07:07 PM

LC

“ *Praying For The Family*



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**Lenore Wilder Crayton** - April 28, 2019 at 09:51 PM

SS

“ *Shawnda Skipper lit a candle in memory of Mattie Lou Jenkins*



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**Shawnda Skipper** - April 28, 2019 at 02:56 PM

AL

“ All our love, Kristie & Lora purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mattie Lou Jenkins.



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**All our love, Kristie & Lora** - April 26, 2019 at 05:41 PM



“ Lois Morss lit a candle in memory of Mattie Lou Jenkins



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**Lois Morss** - April 26, 2019 at 03:26 PM

CM

“ CMI purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Mattie Lou Jenkins.



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**CMI** - April 26, 2019 at 02:59 PM

DC

“ Diane Thornton Coleman sent a virtual gift in memory of Mattie Lou Jenkins



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**Diane Thornton Coleman** - April 25, 2019 at 08:08 AM

DC

“ *Diane Thornton Coleman lit a candle in memory of Mattie Lou Jenkins*



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**Diane Thornton Coleman** - April 25, 2019 at 08:07 AM