

In Appreciation

We would like to thank each of you for every gesture of kindness, support and love that you have provided during our time of need. We would like to show special appreciation to the Mt. Bethel Missionary Baptist Church Family, the Bottom Creek Neighborhood and the staff of Community Hospice of Northeast Florida. May God forever bless you and keep you.

-The family of Sister Vivian Cherry



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CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR

Sister Vivian R. Reed Cherry



Sunrise

October 14, 1940

Sunset

January 7, 2019

Saturday, January 12, 2019, 11:00 AM

Mt. Bethel Missionary Baptist Church
1620 Helena Street/ Jacksonville, FL 32208

Dr. Robert E. Herring, Sr., Pastor

Interment

Restlawn Historic Memorial Park
2600 Ribault Scenic Dr. / Jacksonville, FL 32208

A Life Celebrated

UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN

ORDER OF SERVICE Elder A. J. Crane, Presiding

Sister Vivian Rudeen Reed Cherry, affectionately known as "Hootie," was born on October 14, 1940, to Mr. Charles Reed, Sr., and Mother Louise Barney Reed Williams in Jacksonville, FL. She is a product of the Duval County Public Schools and New Stanton Class of 1959.

She met the love of her life at a high school football game; two years later they were wed and enjoyed 60 years of matrimony. She was employed at Paramount Poultry for many years. An entrepreneur that operated as a caterer and floral designer, she also had an extensive background in childcare. In addition, she and her husband owned and operated a janitorial service. She was born, raised and lived in the Bottom Creek area of Jacksonville, and throughout the neighborhood she was known as the "police." She showed her love by giving strong words of correction and a hand of discipline when needed. She had a way of giving tough love that was embraced because it was followed up by one of her famous culinary dishes.

Sister Cherry was a lifetime member of Mt. Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, who came to Christ and was baptized at a young age. She was a member of District #10 where her husband, Deacon William Cherry, serves as the District Leader. She was a charter member of the Friendly Westside Choirs Union and the S.A. Thomas Joylistic Voices, both organized at Mt. Bethel. Sister Cherry was known as a gospel singer around the city of Jacksonville and surrounding areas. She was an active band and chorus parent at Northwestern Junior High School and William M. Raines High School during and after her children's academic tenure.

Over the years she served on Mt. Bethel's Nursing Guild, and she was a faithful participant in Sunday School, Bible Study and the Baptist Training Union. She was a devoted member of the Deaconess Ministry, serving alongside her husband. She faithfully supported her Pastor and church until her health began to fail recently. Sister Cherry would frequently part with the farewell expression to her family and friends, "Be careful. I love you and there is Nothing you can do about it." She expressed these words one final time on December 29, 2018, to her children and grandchildren, and on Monday, January 7, 2019, surrounded by love she transitioned into the arms of our Heavenly Father in peace.

She was preceded in death by her parents and brother, Elder Charles Reed Jr. She leaves to cherish precious memories her husband, Deacon William Cherry, Jr; children, Patricia Crane (Albert), William H. Cherry, Paulette Cherry and Victor Cherry (Wanda); grandchildren, Altress J. Crane, Jessica Cherry, Patrick Crane (Sephora), Jamel Cobbs (Nadia), Jasmine Flournoy-Cherry and Au'Vian Cherry; great-grandchildren, Cadence Thomas-Cherry and Paytyn Crane; god-daughter, Eileen Gresham; brother-in-law, Willie Robinson, Sr.; aunts, Marie Boston, Joan Barney and Lannie Barney; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and her Mt. Bethel Baptist Church family.



A TRIBUTE TO GRANNY

Virtuous - You are the physical embodiment of Proverbs 31:10-31.
You are
Irreplaceable! Your invaluable lessons forever imprinted on our hearts. We'll miss your
Vibrant vocabulary and veracious vernacular. Your value is
Immeasurable! Your love is indubitably impactful. You are iconic and
Authentic, in every way. Here on earth, you were
Noble and nurturing. Now, you are needed in Heaven.

Jessica V. Cherry



- Processional Celebration Choir
- Invocation Bishop Carolyn Boston Love
- Scripture Readings
 - Old Testament Reverend Gary Kitt
 - New Testament Reverend Aaron Jacobs
- Ministry in Song Celebration Choir
- Reflections
 - Mr. & Mrs. Frank Lyons..... Neighbor
 - Mr. John Kalil John S. Kalil, Attorney at Law
 - Sister Elouis Randall..... President,
Mt. Bethel Deaconess Ministry
 - Deacon Louis Colvin.....Assistant Leader, District 10
 - Bishop Jan Goodman One Accord Ministries
- Ministry in Song Celebration Choir
- Words of Comfort Dr. R. E. Herring, Sr.
- Recessional

Gone But Not Forgotten