



## Bettie Ann Stockard

March 16, 1999 - March 16, 2019

On a bright spring afternoon, Bettie Ann Clark Stockard was born giggling and smiling in Fayetteville, Tennessee on May 4, 1944. She is the second child born to the union of John Clark, Sr. and Virginia Williams. As a child she possessed all the charm, style and finesse of a southern belle which she brought with her into adulthood. She enjoyed reading; helping others and confessed Christ at an early age. She loved her Bible. Her Christian work ethic and mentality was maintained throughout her personal and professional life. She was quick to quote scripture and would always ask friends, relations and family to abide by "the Golden Rule." Bettie graduated from Albion High School and attended Jackson area schools where she achieved her nursing degree. Shortly after receiving her nursing certification, at age 20, she began work as an occupational nurse at MacSteel Corporation in Jackson. As a nurse, she healed not only physical ailments, but used her love of people and the Lord to heal wounded hearts and souls. She retired from MacSteel after more than 28 years of dedicated service. She was also a gifted singer and humanitarian, Bettie loved to travel and would frequently help family, friends and strangers-after working a long day in a factory. She married Robert Stockard, Sr. and from this union she had two sons Robert, Jr. and Clayton Stockard. She would repeatedly say to her sisters and brothers that her boys were her life's joy. She would often remark about the special bond she had with her sisters. She cherished family reunions, looking after her grandchildren and greatgrandchildren, being stylish and traveling the country. During her last days, she moved back to Jackson from Oklahoma to be affectionately cared for by the mother of Robert's children, Shelley Craven. Surrounded by her loving immediate family, she was welcomed into the house of the Lord March 16, 2019. She is survived by her five sisters; Dorothy (George) Thigpen, Mildred (Chris) Nolan, Brenda (Willie) Thigpen, Joyce Williams and Lawanda (Santos) Perez, two brothers; John (Joy) Clark, Jr. and Glenn (Leslie) Williams, Sr., her two sons; Robert,(Shelley Craven) Jr. and Clayton (Rose McFeters), grandchildren; Mara Stockard, Robert (Gale) III, Kiara Stockard, Caitlin Russell, Johnnie (Alessa) Davis, Markus Poole, Miciah Holloway-Young, Kamyia Wilridge and great-grandchildren, she also leaves behind a plethora of nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews, cousins and a host of friends.

# Comments

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“ My condolences to the Stockard family

**William Vandyke** - March 24, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ To the Stockard Family - In our absence your cousins The Wellington's from Maywood, IL would like to extend our prayers and love to you all. Betty was a bundle of joy, spunk, and love. So shed tears, but smile too because of the life she has lived and the beautiful memories she has given us all. We love you. Lynn, Tony, Quiana & Tony, II

**M. Wellington** - March 22, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ RIP my sweet sister in Christ and sweet friend

March 22, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ On behalf of our family, we send our sincere sympathy to Glen (Glendon) our son, brother, uncle, nephew and immediate family which includes wife Leslie, sons, Chris, Dom, Jayden and daughter Cydney as well as the extended family during their bereavement. He loves his entire family and will deeply mourn the loss of his sister Bettie. We offer our full support and assistance to Glen and the family wherever needed. This condolences is sent on behalf of the Charles Spicer Sr., Thomas and Walton families. God has seen fit to ease the pain and suffering Bettie endured. Absent from the body, present with the Lord is His promise; she is safe and secure in His arms. Lovingly submitted, Joyce J Spicer, (Mom)

**Joyce Spicer** - March 21, 2019 at 12:00 AM