



## Mrs. Bertha Ellen Lively Jenkins Garnett "GaGa"

February 13, 1926 - April 16, 2020

Bertha Ellen Lively Jenkins Garnett "GaGa" was born on February 13, 1926, in Harrisburg, PA, to her parents, Edna Holland Lively and Paul Dixon, Sr. After Bertha's mother passed away, she and her little sister were raised by John and Mary Jenkins.

Bertha was educated at the former Fothergill School in Steelton, PA. Bertha was a former member of The First Baptist Church of Steelton. After the death of her only son Reuben, Jr. who was killed in Vietnam, she became a member of the American Gold Star Mothers.

Bertha's previous employment was with the Bayuk Factory (cigar factory) in Steelton. She retired from the Olmsted Air Force Base in Middletown, PA, and a while later, she worked part-time at the Hilmar Place.

When Bertha's children were very young, Bertha participated with the Parent Teachers Association (PTA) and assisted with the Brownies Troop. Bertha enjoyed sewing, crocheting, reading, doing jigsaw and crossword puzzles, baking which included a "to-die-for" apple pie. Most of all, she loved spending time with her family and was affectionately called "GaGa" by her grandchildren.

On April 16, 2020, God sent for Bertha to come home to be one of his angels and to join her loved ones and friends. In addition to her parents and adoptive parents, Bertha was preceded in death by her husband, Reuben L. Garnett, Sr.; son, Reuben L. Garnett, Jr.; sisters, Gloria Lively Jenkins and Rose Dixon Sutton; brother, Paul Dixon, Jr.; great-grandson, Cortney Jackson; and great-

granddaughter, Darraugh Jackson.

Bertha leaves to cherish her memory her daughters, Rev. India Elaine Garnett of Dauphin, PA; Lise Garnett of Steelton, PA; Janine Garnett and Tracie Garnett of Harrisburg, PA, and her daughter-in-love, Alyce Wooten of Steelton, PA; brother-in-law, Charles Sutton of Gadsden, AL ; 12 grandchildren, Johnny "Herc" Bracken, Jr. of Atlanta, GA, Franklin "Frank" Jackson, Jr. of Harrisburg PA, Samoya Bracken-Brunelle of Dauphin, PA, Lance "Big L" Harper of Harrisburg, PA, Angela Jackson-Sykes of Steelton, PA, LaKeisha Garnett of Harrisburg, PA, Emily Jackson of Dauphin, PA, Eric "Ricky" Jackson of the Bronx, NY, Matthew "Matt" Diggs of Pittsburgh, PA, David "DJ" Diggs (Alexia) of Leola, PA, Darmel Thomas of Harrisburg, PA, Aaliyah Braddy of Harrisburg, PA; 32 great-grandchildren, 10 great-great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.  
Lovingly Submitted - The Family

MEMORIAL CELEBRATION WILL BE HELD AT A LATER DATE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE FAMILY.

# Tribute Wall

LB

“ *Garnett Family - Please accept my heartfelt condolences in the passing of your mother. She was the sweetest lady I had the privilege of serving. As a member of DaySpring Ministries, serving in the Healing Touch Ministry, we made bi-weekly visits with the patients at Spring Creek It was always a pleasure seeing the smile on your mother's face. Although she didn't speak, her demeanor was one of a peaceful, content, loving soul. We will miss seeing her but we rest easy knowing she is now with the Lord. May the Lord be a comfort to you all as well. God Bless.*

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**Liz Brooks** - June 06, 2020 at 08:39 PM

LG

“ *Dear Reverend India Elaine,  
Our sincere condolence to you and the entire Garnett Family at the passing of your Mother. Our prayers are for you and Family.  
Larry and Anna Gerhard , Drivers for Dauphin Area Senior Transit*

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**Larry Gerhard** - April 26, 2020 at 08:41 PM

JG

*Thank you!*

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**Janine Garnett** - May 03, 2020 at 05:02 AM

IG

*I just saw this. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. This has been extreme difficult to process. Much love and gratitude!*

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**India E. Garnett** - October 16, 2020 at 06:00 PM

AK

“ *Andrea Kater lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bertha Ellen Lively Jenkins Garnett "GaGa"*



Andrea Kater - April 26, 2020 at 11:06 AM

JG

Hi Andrea! Thank you!❤️❤️❤️

Janine Garnett - May 03, 2020 at 05:00 AM

DA

“ *Dawnn sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Bertha Ellen Lively Jenkins Garnett "GaGa"*



Dawnn - April 24, 2020 at 10:09 PM

DA

Aaron's peace to Ms. India and her entire family during this challenging time 🙏🌹🌸

Dawnn - April 24, 2020 at 10:11 PM

JG

Thank you!❤️

Janine Garnett - May 03, 2020 at 05:01 AM

SW

“ Stephanie Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bertha Ellen Lively Jenkins Garnett "GaGa"



Stephanie Williams - April 23, 2020 at 01:34 PM

SS

“ Sadie L. Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bertha Ellen Lively Jenkins Garnett "GaGa"



Sadie L. Smith - April 23, 2020 at 07:58 AM

PH

“ Tracie, you have my deepest sympathy. I am saddened for the loss of Mrs. Bertha. The memory of her will give you comfort, and her legacy will continue to live through you. God Bless you and your family during this time of grief. I'm praying for you. I love you.



Paris

Paris hall - April 23, 2020 at 03:00 AM

LP

Traci, condolences to you are your family. Your mom sounded like an amazing woman. Keep her memories alive and she will be with you forever. Praying for peace and comfort for you and your family. 🙏🙏

Lisa Pilsitz - April 23, 2020 at 04:11 AM

EM

“ My sincerest condolences to this loving family. Mrs Garnett always greeted me with a kind word and a beautiful smile whenever I saw her...she was a true angel and now has earned her wings. May the Angel's of Comfort surround her family and friends during their time of bereavement ❤️

Emily Moton - April 22, 2020 at 02:52 PM

AN

“ Always with fond memories when we were together. Aunt Bertha I'm really going to miss you. Rest In Peace...

Andre Jenkins



Andre - April 22, 2020 at 03:02 AM

VS

“ Valerie Saunders lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bertha Ellen Lively Jenkins Garnett "GaGa"



Valerie Saunders - April 22, 2020 at 01:16 AM

CN

“ Our Heartfelt Condolences to The Entire Family. May God's strength and Comfort be with you All. Love yall.



Crystal Newkirk - April 21, 2020 at 10:47 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Bertha Ellen Lively Jenkins Garnett "GaGa".*



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April 21, 2020 at 06:42 PM



“ *Sincerest Condolences to the Family*



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**Ann Jones** - April 21, 2020 at 01:37 PM