



Ms. Mattie Ruth Green

July 3, 1948 - May 23, 2021

In Loving Memory Of:

This is a celebration for Mattie Ruth Green. Mattie was born on July 3, 1948 to Sarah Ferguson Green and Claude Green in Thomaston Georgia. Mattie was a very beautiful and talented person from the time she was born. Mattie moved to Detroit with her mom in 1952.

Mattie attended Craft Elementary School and graduated and went on to Northern High School. She participated in school sports activities and also learned skilled trades like power sewing and secretarial skills, shorthand and calligraphy.

Mattie loved to go shopping she taught us how to shop for quality clothes and shoes.. and go to the 20 Grand and The Arcadia, Greystone Ballroom. She loved to dance and sing Motown songs and Gospel. She often told us about the days when our sister Dorothy Green Eccles and cousins Betty Hunter Lee, Phyllis and Ednora and Peanut, the late Gloria Gaston, and her best friends Joanne Worlly and Essie Smith and friends would go out to dance.

Mattie graduated and worked for the City of Detroit Mayor Cavanaugh's summer program. She also worked for Peppys Hamburgers, Harper Hospital in the dietary department, Diamond Jim Brady as a cook and salad line personnel, Delray General Hospital and also Southwest Detroit Hospital

where she went to college through a hospital training and received her certificate as a Cardio Pulmonary Tech. She earned her certification in Respiratory Therapy. She retired from Southwest Hospital in 1979.

Mattie became a mother to Shakir Smith in December 1977 he is her only son. She has 2 grandchildren Anthony Simmons of Detroit and granddaughter Shakira Smith. Mattie was a great mom and friend, she loved going with him everywhere.

Mattie promised our mom that she would take care of her brothers and sisters in 1974. She was just 27 years of age. She also helped raise her nieces and nephews and was like a mother, grandmother and everything. She was a friend to many. She kept secrets well and always helped you when you needed it no matter what time or whatever it was. If you needed money or a hug, words of encouragement, somebody to pray with, laugh and joke with, to fuss about life with Mattie was that person. Mattie was love pure and simple.

Mattie would tell you what she meant and did not care who liked it or not especially when it came to the Bible. She did not play around. She was feisty, whatever she told you you would remember. Her words were true. Her favorite scriptures Psalm 91, the 23rd Psalm and Psalm 47. With her if you needed anything I mean anything, she never lied to you and said she did not have it never.

She bought our brother (James) his first car. She was a praying sister. She was baptized at Rose of Sharon Baptist Church at a very early age. She sang with us on the radio in the choir for Wolverine Missionary Baptist Church. Also we would travel with our Aunt and Mom singing at other churches.

Mattie was Saved and filled with the Holy Spirit and she is the cause of all of her brothers and sisters being saved and filled with the Holy Spirit also. Her

best friend Essie took her to Faith Tabernacle Church in 1978 and Bishop Morris Thomas had the altar call. She is still a member of the Faith Tabernacle family she never changed churches.

Mattie returned to work in 1983. She worked for Cabana Snack Foods in Detroit, Michigan for 5 years until she started work at Manutech Industries. She became the supervisor over the Bookbinding Department and received numerous awards. The company closed in 1999. Mattie could not sit home she began to work at Montessori Daycare Center as a daycare provider. She enjoyed being around the children and teaching them. She retired in 2008. Later on she became a homecare travel aide for various hospital patients.

If you needed help she would say God would provide. When you would be worried and needed help with a bill or she never lied and said she did not have it she gave to you. She would say I have don't ask those people for a dammed thing. That was one of her famous sayings. Mattie kept us grounded and she was an aunt that loved everyone of her nieces and nephews. If they came by and saw her she would always be so excited. She is one of a kind.

Mattie went home on Sunday morning, May 23, 2021. She went to sleep on earth but woke up in Glory...We love you! MS. MATTIE RUTH GREEN ...
THANK YOU FOR KEEPING YOUR PROMISE.

Cemetery Details

Westlawn Cemetery

31472 Michigan Ave
Wayne, MI 48184

Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Mattie Ruth Green*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Remembering the family in heartfelt prayer.
May the God of all comfort help to ease the pain of your grief. With
caring thoughts.*

Evans family - June 04, 2021 at 04:51 AM



“ *Sharon Harrison Clopton sent a virtual gift in
memory of Ms. Mattie Ruth Green*



Sharon Harrison Clopton - June 03, 2021 at 12:58 PM



“ *Sharon Harrison Clopton sent a virtual gift in
memory of Ms. Mattie Ruth Green*



Sharon Harrison Clopton - June 03, 2021 at 12:48 PM

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“ To my nephew Sharkir, my prayers are for you. To be strengthen, to have peace during this time. Know that your mother love will always be here, loving each of us, but know that she loves you more. Loving you. Auntie Dorothy Eccles.



Dorothy Eccles - June 02, 2021 at 12:16 PM

JA

“ To the family I send my deepest condolences Ms Green was a beautiful soul and a ray of sunshine she brightened up my day on dialysis days she always had a smile on her face and a kind word to say she will truly be missed the family will be in my prayers from Jessica Alvin

Jessica alvin - June 02, 2021 at 06:09 AM

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MS. MATTIE TUTH GREEN, I WILL TRULY MISS YOU. KNOWING YOU HAS BEEN A PLEASURE. I WILL MISS SEEING YOU AT DIALYSIS AND GIVING YOU TREATS AND SHARING LAUGHS. REST IN POWER.

Sharon Harrison Clopton - June 03, 2021 at 12:54 PM

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“ To Shakir, Dorothy, James, Jackie, Gail, Eugene and Diana:

My prayers are with you in the loss of your mother and sister. God will comfort you in this hour of bereavement. I have fond memories of Mattie as we enjoyed going dancing at the Greystone Ballroom and Twenty Grand with my late sister Gloria and neighbors Virginia and Mildred Tatum! She is now pain free and safe in Jesus' arms! May God's blessings continue to be with you and the family!

Love, your Cousin Ednora Armour-Ohanmu of North Las Vegas, Nevada

Ednora Armour-Ohanmu - May 31, 2021 at 01:17 AM

ME

“ *Ms Vivian Ellerbee lit a candle in memory of Ms. Mattie Ruth Green*



Ms Vivian Ellerbee - May 27, 2021 at 04:27 PM