



## Mattie Taylor

January 22, 1940 - December 13, 2024

Born on January 22, 1940, in Talladega, Alabama, Mrs. Mattie "Vera Lee" Curry Taylor was the cherished daughter of Otis Curry and Mary Alice Garrett Curry.

Mother Taylor was united in marriage to John E. Taylor, with whom she shared the joy of raising nine beloved children. Her family was her world, and she poured her heart into nurturing her children and grandchildren. Known affectionately as "Mama" to all who were blessed to know her, she opened her home and heart to anyone in need, embodying genuine kindness and compassion.

A devoted Christian, Mother Taylor accepted Christ at a young age and was baptized at Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church. She served faithfully as a doorkeeper of the Lord and as president of the usher board before continuing her journey of faith at Freedom Holy Ghost Headquarters and later as the esteemed "Mother" of Righteous in Truth Ministries. Her love for God shone brightly in all she did, from her spirited singing, which was a gift from God to her firm devotion to prayer and praise. She was educated in the Talladega County School System while attending Lane Chapel School. Once completing her education, Mother Taylor became a domestic engineer taking care of her children giving them all the love a mother could give. In her leisure time, Mother Taylor found joy in working on crossword puzzles, a testament to her

sharp mind, and creating delightful soul food meals that brought family and friends together. Her nurturing spirit and strong faith will be deeply missed but warmly remembered by all who had the privilege of crossing her path.

On Friday evening, December 13, 2024, while under the care of Affinity Hospice and Brookwood Medical Center, God saw Mother Mattie "Vera Lee" Curry Taylor was getting tired and said come on home my child and take your rest. The Lord placed a clarion call to harken his angel and heard his servants cry "slow down your chariots at the Jordan River and do not pass her by. She has done the work of my plans and need to take her rest, for I know you loved her, but I loved her best." Mother Taylor rejoined the hands of those who preceded her in death including her parents, Otis and Mary Curry, siblings, Airlene Jackson, Essie Looney, Reddie James Curry, Carson Curry, and Chrissy Curry, and granddaughter, Latricia Mon'ae Cook.

Mother Taylor leaves behind a legacy of love and faith through her four loving sons, Cheyenne (Brenda) Curry, Andrew (Yolanda) Curry, Max (Laquita) Curry, and Howard Shears, all of Talladega; five beloved daughters, Deborah (John) McGowan of Sylacauga, Inez (Michael) Cook, and Carolyn (William) Estelle of Talladega, Annie (Demetrius) Roston in Childersburg, and Doris Shears (Kenneth) Turner of Talladega; sister-in-law, Shirley Curry of Talladega and Barbara Curry of Dayton, Ohio; prayer partners, Patsy Curry and Vanessa Cross; twenty-seven grandchildren; eighteen great-grandchildren; eleven great-great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

In this time of sorrow, let us come together to celebrate a woman whose life was a testament to love, kindness, and unwavering faith. May her memory bring us comfort as we reflect on the indelible mark she made in our lives.

# Cemetery Details

## Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery

4796 Berney Station Road  
Talladega, AL 35160

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

DEC **20**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

S.M. Goodson Funeral Home Chapel  
217 Coosa St. East  
Talladega, AL 35160

## Celebration of Life

DEC **21**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Freedom Holy Ghost Church  
1211 Landmark Road  
Talladega, AL 35160

# Tribute Wall

BS

“ *My sincere prayers and condolences to the family of Mother Mattie Taylor. May the Lord give you all the comfort and strength during this difficult time and know that she is resting in the arms of Jesus. Special prayers for her sister and family in Rome, Ga. Blessings, Beverly Stevenson - Rome, Ga.*



Beverly Stevenson - December 21, 2024 at 10:00 AM

KS

“ *Kathy Spell lit a candle in memory of Mattie Taylor*



Kathy spell - December 21, 2024 at 06:38 AM

AT

“ *Amy Tolle purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mattie Taylor.*



Amy Tolle - December 20, 2024 at 02:22 PM

AT

“ *Amy Tolle planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mattie Taylor.*

Amy Tolle - December 20, 2024 at 02:22 PM

MO

“ Sending lots of love and prayers to the family.

Marilyn Owens - December 20, 2024 at 12:36 PM

LE

“ Love, Lynn, Ashley, Rae & Ellie purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Mattie Taylor.



Love, Lynn, Ashley, Rae & Ellie - December 20, 2024 at 11:34 AM

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“ 23rd Medical Group Moody Air Force Base purchased the Sweet Solace Spray for the family of Mattie Taylor.



23rd Medical Group Moody Air Force Base - December 19, 2024 at 10:38 AM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mattie Taylor.



December 19, 2024 at 10:31 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of *Mattie Taylor*.

December 19, 2024 at 10:31 AM



“ Sending up my prayers and condolences to this family during their difficult loss! 🙏🙏🙏



**lori pope** - December 18, 2024 at 11:32 AM



“ Our hearts are saddened by your loss; our thoughts are with you and your family



**The Patterson Family** - December 18, 2024 at 09:23 AM



“ Keeping the Taylor and Curry Family in our thoughts and prayers



**Erica and George Rivers** - December 18, 2024 at 09:16 AM

PB

“ My deepest condolences to the Taylor family. It's been awhile since I've seen you sweet lady and you truly will be missed. When we crossed paths you greeted me as if we've been knowing each other for quite sometime. You were always the same since day one. I will never forget you my Queen such a sweet lady.... I know your loved ones were not ready for your departure but your wings were. To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord, take your rest my Queen your journey here has expired. I love you Ma and you will be forever in our hearts.... R.I.P. fly high Ma Taylor.



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**Pamela Bradford** - December 17, 2024 at 11:25 PM

MS

“ Michael & Deneshia Smith purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mattie Taylor.



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**Michael & Deneshia Smith** - December 17, 2024 at 09:36 PM

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“ Michael & Deneshia Smith planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mattie Taylor.

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**Michael & Deneshia Smith** - December 17, 2024 at 09:36 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mattie Taylor.*



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December 16, 2024 at 07:15 PM



“ *Tina Dickerson lit a candle in memory of Mattie Taylor*



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**Tina Dickerson** - December 16, 2024 at 03:16 AM