



Ernestine Bailey Bankston

June 17, 1926 - December 2, 2012

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“MawMaw Granny”

Age 86 and a resident of Albany, Ernestine passed away on Sunday, December 2, 2012 at Flannery Oaks Nursing Home in Baton Rouge. She was an active member of Bethlehem Baptist Church in Albany and was very involved and dedicated to charity work. Ernestine loved to sew, cook and spend time with her family and friends, whom will miss her dearly.

Ernestine leaves behind her children, Joyce Rayburn and husband John, Kenneth Bankston and wife Cyndi, Ronny Bankston and wife Jerilu, along with 9 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and 7 great-great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her sister, Myrtis Dealey; brother, Alfred Bailey, as well as, numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding Ernestine in death were her husband, Carter N. Bankston; parents, Hines and Maude Bailey; sisters, Charlotte Thompson, Marie Boseling and Marjorie Bailey; brothers, Felix and Kenneth Bailey.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the visitation from the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home, west of Hammond, on

Monday, December 3, 2012 from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. The visitation will resume at Bethlehem Baptist Church in Albany on Tuesday, December 4, 2012 from 11:00 a.m. until the funeral service at 2:00 p.m. Rev. Joe Dunn will officiate the services and interment will follow in Bankston Cemetery, north of Albany.

Pallbearers will be Steven, Tommy and Dustin Bankston, Brandon Rayburn, Matt Stewart and Logan Espey.

The family would like to say a special thanks to the staff of Flannery Oaks Nursing Home and Clarity Hospice for their care and compassion.

Memorial donations may be made to Bethlehem Baptist Church, P.O. Box 1030, Albany, LA 70711.

Condolences and other information are available online at www.thompsoncares.com.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home of Hammond.

Tribute Wall



“ You have my condolences. We will all miss her. I lost my mother this year. They were only a few years apart in age.##imported-begin##Merrill Hes##imported-end##

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“ Ronnie, so sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you and your family. God Bless##imported-begin##Lonnie Harper##imported-end##

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“ Your family is in my prayers. Ms. Ernestine was such a special lady!##imported-begin##Pam Stewart##imported-end##

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“ Sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Gordon Anderson##imported-end##

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“ My God enter your Hearts and ease the sorrow.##imported-begin##Rodney & Sue Hadden##imported-end##

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“ *What a beautiful lady! So sorry for your loss but know the family has some wonderful memories that will be lasting. God Bless All Of You.##imported-begin##Nelda Harper##imported-end##*

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“ *I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your Mom. Mrs Ernestine was a great lady and I am sure she will be missed by all.Prayers for all.##imported-begin##Henrietta Cowart##imported-end##*

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