



## Mrs. Lillie Mae (Bouie) Holmes-Height

October 14, 1933 - October 3, 2017

UTICA - Mrs. Lillie Mae (Bouie) Holmes-Height, age 83, ascended into Heaven on Tuesday, October 3, 2017 in the comfort of her home with her loving family by her side.

Born in Bainbridge, Georgia on October 14, 1933, Lillie Mae was the daughter of the late Moses Wilford and Everlina Parish Bouie. She was raised in Georgia and took courses in the area of nursing and healthcare and moved to Utica in the 1960's. She was a faithful member of the House of God Church. She married Warren Everett Holmes, Sr. with whom she shared many years. Together, they shared their love and caring ways with family and friends. She was not only a loving wife, she was a mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, and a friend. Lillie Mae was devoted to her vocation as matriarch and made her home a warm and welcoming sanctuary to all.

Warren passed away in 1994. In the early 2000's Lillie Mae was again graced with happiness when she wed Thomas Height who passed a few years ago. Lillie Mae was a God-fearing woman and a prayer warrior. Her smile, her laugh, her cooking, and her advice brought happiness to those around her. Although she will be very much missed, "She has finally found her peace and resting place!"

Lillie Mae is survived by her children and their loves, Evelyn and Anthony Syracuse, Warren Holmes Jr., Pastor Dwayne and Joanne Holmes, Wyatt Holmes, Johnny Holmes, Everett Holmes (Tony); daughter-in-law Eva Marie McCorkle Holmes (Princess); and granddaughters she helped raise, Esther

Dingle Woods (Richard Jr.), Delores Dingle Proctor (Syrus), and Syeetha Johnson Story (Alonzo).

She was blessed with 33 grandchildren. She also leaves a host of great-grandchildren; her brother and sister-in-law, Jerry D. and Bula Wright; nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, godchildren, and in-laws, Mattie C. Wright, Juanita Bass, Leona "Monnie" Booth, Reggie Holmes, Deloris "Dottie" Gaston, Debbie Holmes Gettman and Eleanor Holmes. The family is truly grateful to her neighbors and friends Arthur "Honeybun" Lawson, Brian and Irene Pantolla, and Melody Davis.

Always close to her heart was the memory of children who passed before her, daughter Joannie Holmes in 1997, sons, Eddie Holmes in 1986, and Donald Durant Holmes in 2015. She was predeceased by her sisters and brothers-in-law, Lillian E. and Lawrence Atkins, and Mildred and James Mills; and her brothers and sister-in-law, Leroy Bouie, and Willie Lee Wright.

The family is grateful to Dr. Arul Kannan for his medical expertise; the staff of the St. Elizabeth Medical Center Special Care Unit; and the personnel of Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc. for the compassionate care rendered to Lillie Mae during her final journey.

Visitation will be held Friday from 4:00-7:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South Street, and corner of Hammond Avenue. Lillie Mae's funeral service and Home Going Celebration will commence on Saturday morning at 11:00 at the House of God Church, 1304 Genesee Street, officiated by Rev. Arthur Gary. Interment will follow graveside in New Forest Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## New Forest Cemetery

2001 Oneida Street  
Utica, NY

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

OCT **14**. 11:00 AM (ET)

House of God Church  
1304 Genesee Street  
Utica, NY

# Tribute Wall

TO

“ Tonya lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lillie Mae (Bouie) Holmes-Height



Tonya - April 11, 2020 at 11:32 PM

EL

“ Eva Holmes Your Daughter In Law lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lillie Mae (Bouie) Holmes-Height



Eva Holmes your daughter in law - October 14, 2017 at 02:53 PM

MK

*My second mom will be deeply missed she been there for me through thick and thin to all my trials and tribulations she was there for me she helped me get through deep struggles only one thing I can say Mom second mom I deeply miss you miss you*

Maxine Kemp - October 15, 2017 at 03:10 AM

Jessica  
Drew  
Henderson

“ Jessica Drew Henderson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lillie Mae (Bouie) Holmes-Height



Jessica Drew Henderson - October 11, 2017 at 08:37 AM

GC

“ I loving memory of our dear friend Mrs Holmes. You will never be forgotten. You were always a ray of sunshine to all who knew you. Your smile will never be forgotten. May those you left behind find peace in the Lord until we all meet again. Gregory Curry, Louise and Frank Cobb and then entire Curry, Conway, and Cobb family

Gregory Curry - October 10, 2017 at 01:10 PM

NR

“ Niesha Ramey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lillie Mae (Bouie) Holmes-Height



Niesha Ramey - October 09, 2017 at 09:45 PM

DB

“ Darlene Branch lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lillie Mae (Bouie) Holmes-Height



Darlene branch - October 09, 2017 at 07:35 PM

TS

“ Tonya Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lillie Mae (Bouie) Holmes-Height



Tonya smith - October 09, 2017 at 02:38 PM

BI

“ To the woman who loved me as one of her own born, Words cannot describe the amount of love you shared.

*She was the kindest and sweetest spirit I have ever known.*

*Her walk with the Lord was so close, I she never wavered, or grew weary, She endured so much in her life here on earth, more than 80 years.*

*She did so much for so many, never heard her complain, from caring for her two special needs boys all their lives, and all her many children, Grans, and great Grans.*

*Her willingness to share God's love and her inner strength was a constant source of strength and a great refuge.*

*There are so many special and fond memories, for those who knew her - our lives are much brighter for her to have shined on us, she fed the hungry, loved unconditionally, was a champion for the poor and broken in spirit.*

*My life has been forever altered for good for having received the special, special love of a Mother like you dear precious Lillie Mae Holmes- Heights.*

*We'll keep the dishes washed, give all those who went before us a big hug and enjoy the banquets of glory you so richly earned and deserved.*

*I cannot imagine you not being here to talk to. But through your teaching and caring and love, I am taking your advice and taking it to the Lord in prayer, pray my strength to be able to have a small fraction of your faith and love you showed in the way you lived your life by example. I love you with every breath I am allowed to take.*

*Your Godson, Brian and Irene*

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**bigjohndough** - October 07, 2017 at 05:01 PM

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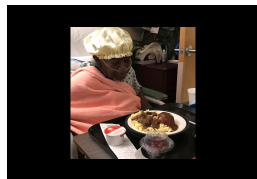
“ Although I only met Lillie Mae once, through my brother Brian Pantola and his wife Irene Pantola, I will never forget our visit and dinner. Lillie Mae came with Brian and Irene to my house in Fulton for dinner. Never to come empty handed, Lillie Mae brought the most delicious fried chicken I ever tasted. Her friendliness and kindness that day will not be forgotten. Enjoy your life with the Lord and Angels Lillie Mae.

*Roxanne Euson*

Roxanne - October 07, 2017 at 04:16 PM

BI

“ 1 file added to the album God Bless You Lillie, We will always remember your loving kindness.



bigjohndough - October 07, 2017 at 04:05 PM

TO

This vidio is so beautiful of my God mother wow how much u are missed God mom wow why did u have to go u was the best God mom I need u so much 🥹🥹🥹🥹

Tonya - April 11, 2020 at 11:30 PM

AC

“ SHE WAS SWEET LADY.I WOULD NEVER FORGET HER.ALWAYS HAD ASMILE ON HER FACE.GODLY PERSON.

angela carr - October 07, 2017 at 01:46 PM