



## Ms. Mattie Marie McKnight Rodgers

July 31, 1953 - July 18, 2025

Mattie Marie McKnight Rodgers was born on July 31, 1953, to the late Annie Clara Tharp. Mattie departed her life on July 18, 2025, at Jackson Madison County General Hospital.

She accepted Christ at an early age and was a member of St. James Baptist Church, where she sung with the Spirit of St. James. She also sung with the Victory Singers.

Later in life on April 19, 1998, Mattie joined with New St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Dennis E. Blalock. She sung with the Gospel and Unity Choir till her earthly life ended.

She grew up in Fites Bottom and attended Jackson City Schools. She worked for First Baptist Church and Jackson Madison County School System.

Mattie hobbies were singing, she loved Karaoke, cooking and loving on her dog "Cupcake"

She was preceded in death by her mother, Annie Clara Tharp; sister, Mary Frances McKnight; brother, James Charles McKnight; her one and only son, Billy James McKnight; two grandsons, DeAunte McKnight and Brandon McKnight.

She leaves to celebrate her memories her six daughters: Bernetta McKnight Reed (Jimmy), Angela Givens, Stephanie Jamison (Cedric), Shemetta Hulse, Paula Hulse, and Mary Givens; a special sister, Barbara Curry; twenty grandchildren, Keisha McKnight, Chiquita McKnight, Rachel McKnight, Robert Holliday III, Jamie Holliday, Patrick McKnight, Catherine McKnight, Erick McKnight, Antonio Brown, Jonathon Hulse, Alexander Givens, Dominique Givens, TaKenya Hulse, Coheshia Williams, Cordarius Hulse, Cody Hulse, MarKeytus Hulse, Cameron Brown, Branca McKnight and Briana McKnight; and thirty two great grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

# Previous Events

## Family Hour

JUL **26.** 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

New St. Luke Baptist Church  
1670 North Royal Street  
Jackson, TN

## Celebration of Life

JUL **26.** 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

JB

“ I am so sorry to hear about Mattie Marie, I just thought about her and searched social media to find her. Sad finding that she is deceased. We were childhood friends, she often came to Michigan in the summer, and we were best of friends. I visited Jackson several times as a child. You all have my sincere condolences.  
Jewell Brantley

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**Jewell Brantley** - October 29, 2025 at 09:56 PM

AB

“ Angerla D Bradford lit a candle in memory of Mattie Rodgers



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**Angerla D Bradford** - July 25, 2025 at 11:19 PM

DJ

“ I have known Ms.Mattie for a long time and I have enjoyed her singing. Strength and peace to the family.  
Diannitta Brady Jones & Family



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**Diannitta Jones** - July 25, 2025 at 07:53 PM

TC

“ Prayers to the McKnight Family from the Durlian & Celia Mae Graham Family.



Terri Chism - July 25, 2025 at 12:43 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ms. Mattie Marie McKnight Rodgers.



July 25, 2025 at 11:21 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ms. Mattie Marie McKnight Rodgers.



July 24, 2025 at 08:43 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ms. Mattie Marie McKnight Rodgers.

July 24, 2025 at 08:43 PM

DM

“ Prayers goes out to the family of Mattie Marie.



Deloris Graham Morton - July 24, 2025 at 05:11 PM

VS

“ Prayers for the family



Vicki Simmons - July 23, 2025 at 09:21 PM

VL

“ Verline Love lit a candle in memory of Mattie Rodgers



Verline Love - July 23, 2025 at 08:12 PM

AN

*Ms. Mattie Marie is the person that I remember the most while growing up and attending St. James Missionary Baptist Church. I will never forget her singing in the Young Adult Choir and especially quartet her quartet singing. She will be missed.*

Andre Neal - July 26, 2025 at 10:15 AM

PW

“ *Pamela Wilkes lit a candle in memory of Mattie Rodgers*



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**Pamela Wilkes** - July 23, 2025 at 03:52 PM

DA

“ *Debra Askew lit a candle in memory of Mattie Rodgers*



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**Debra Askew** - July 22, 2025 at 09:31 PM

BP

“ *I have known Mattie all of my life, we grew up together and we sang together as kids and now she is singing in God's kingdom, I know Mattie love God ,we all know that so rest in peace my sister (you made it home)*

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**Brenda Patton** - July 22, 2025 at 08:50 PM

GF

“ *Garrety and Pope families purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Ms. Mattie Marie McKnight Rodgers.*



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**Garrety and Pope families** - July 22, 2025 at 08:12 PM

SW

“ Ms. Mattie you were a true soldier for the Lord, everything that you went thru you bounce back and continue to sing for the Lord, I will truly miss you farewell until we meet again

Shirley Woods - July 22, 2025 at 05:00 PM

FM

“ Ms. Mattie Ms. Mattie. You will be truly missed. I loved to hear you sing your song in the choir. Now your singing in that heavenly choir. 😊 until we meet again.

FELICIA MUSGRAVE - July 21, 2025 at 01:51 PM

CP

“ Celeste Pope lit a candle in memory of Mattie Rodgers



Celeste Pope - July 21, 2025 at 01:07 PM

NS

“ I have so many memories of singing with Mattie in St. James Baptist Church choir. I will forever treasure those memories. And to the family, My prayers will be for you. Be blessed. With Love, Norma Shipp

Norma Shipp - July 21, 2025 at 11:27 AM

MG

“ *mary Grimes-Hunt lit a candle in memory of  
Mattie Rodgers*



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**mary Grimes-Hunt** - July 19, 2025 at 09:18 PM

TW

“ *Teresa Williams lit a candle in memory of  
Mattie Rodgers*



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**Teresa Williams** - July 19, 2025 at 02:37 PM

DJ

“ *Mattie had a sweet sweet spirit and was dedicated to the ministries  
at New St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church!! We love her and will  
miss her warm smile.*

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**Deacon Pete Johnson** - July 19, 2025 at 01:38 PM

BC

“ *Barbara Cockrell lit a candle in memory of  
Mattie Rodgers*



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**Barbara Cockrell** - July 19, 2025 at 09:18 AM