



## Margaret Nancy Bussey

May 8, 1920 - May 17, 2024

Margaret Nancy Douglas Bussey affectionately known as “Ma Bussey” was born May 8, 1920, to James and Estella Douglas in Rock Hill, South Carolina. Educated in South Carolina Public Schools, Margaret graduated from Emmitt Scott High School.

She received Christ as her Savior at the age of eight years old at Rock Grove Methodist Church. There, she served on the usher board and as assistant secretary of Sunday school. Upon moving to Washington, D.C, she joined Mount Joy Baptist Church in Southeast, D.C., where she served in the usher and the nurses ministry.

She met and married the late Lenton Bussey, Sr and in 1946 they relocated to Northeast, D.C. and joined Isle of Patmos Baptist Church. There she joined the nurse's ministry, deaconess ministry, and co-founded the daycare center now known as the George Rodgers Christian Learning Center.

She loved the Lord, her late husband, her family, her church family, and all people.

She liked peace and happiness, good singing, fun and laughter, fabric

shopping,  
caring for children and church outings. She had a gift for sewing clothes, and  
made  
countless debutante gowns and bridesmaid dresses for members of her  
church  
family. She prayed for everyone in her quiet way and knew God heard her  
prayers  
when joyful tears fell from her eyes.

She was employed at the Library of Congress. She continued following her  
passion  
of caring and began her nursing career at Saint Elizabeth Hospital and then  
moved  
on to serve at Providence Hospital for over 35 years, retiring in 1982.

Margaret Bussey was the beloved wife of Lenton Bussey Sr. (deceased) She  
is the  
sister of nine brothers and two sisters who preceded her in death: Reverend  
David  
Douglas, Joseph Douglas, Edgar Douglas, Otis Douglas, Reverend Johnny  
Douglas,  
Fred Douglas, Howard Douglas, Spencer Douglas, and Floyd Douglas sisters,  
Irene  
Douglas, Ollie Douglas, and Sister-in law Annie Lois Douglas.

Mother of 8 children Richard Douglas (deceased), Charlie Douglas (wife  
Jackie  
Douglas), David Douglas (Wife Elizabeth Hall/Douglas), Vivian Lewis, Minister  
Allen  
Bussey (deceased), Shelia Clark (deceased), Lenton Jr (deceased) Renae  
Bussey

(deceased)

She has 24 Grandchildren, 53 Great Grandchildren, and 43 Great Great Grandchildren and many cousins, nieces and nephews

# Cemetery Details

## National Harmony Memorial Park

7101 Sheriff Rd  
Landover, MD 20785

# Previous Events

## Viewing

**MAY 30.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Isle of Patmos Baptist Church  
1201 Rhode Island Avenue NE  
Washington, DC 20018

## Service

**MAY 30.** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Isle of Patmos Baptist Church  
1201 Rhode Island Avenue NE  
Washington, DC 20018

# Tribute Wall

PD

“ *Mrs Bussey was a beautiful lady in and out, always with a smile on her face, a true Woman of God, We shared her Jokes and Bingo. Rest well Queen. To the family hold on to God's hand during this difficult time, you have so many precious memories of this great virtuous Woman.*

Pamela Day - May 30, 2024 at 02:45 PM

DM

“ *Daisy Marshall lit a candle in memory of Margaret Bussey*



Daisy Marshall - May 30, 2024 at 12:12 AM

DM

“ *Denise for Daisy Marshall lit a candle in memory of Margaret Bussey*



Denise for Daisy Marshall - May 30, 2024 at 12:10 AM

VW

“ To the family of Ma Bussey, what a honor and privilege to have known someone God had bless to live 104 years. To David & Liz Douglas job well done and thank you for introducing me to Ma Bussey. To Eddie Bryant you are an exceptional person to care for your grandmother like you did, I have nothing but love for you brother. You're one in a million. May God bless you with the desires of your heart, you are a good “man” and I know he's pleased with your labor of love. Family you did a great job caring for Ma Bussey she was always well dressed and beautiful. Ma Bussey loved the Lord, her family and her church may she rest in paradise!



Vernell Williams-Brace - May 29, 2024 at 06:51 PM

EC

“ To the family, of Mother Bussey,we love her so much. We love taking her to other church we us back in the in the days. We had a lot of fun. God bless the Family. Deacon Eric Cameron & Deaconess Georgianna Carr Cameron.

Eric Cameron - May 28, 2024 at 10:51 PM

PG

“ Condolences and Praying for the Family 🙏  
🙏 sisters Mae Gordon and Pamela Gordon



Pamela Gordon - May 28, 2024 at 10:23 PM

PG

“ Patricia Gooch lit a candle in memory of Margaret Bussey



Patricia Gooch - May 25, 2024 at 09:55 PM

JG

“ Janell (David & Liz's God-daughter) lit a candle in memory of Margaret Nancy Bussey



Janell (David & Liz's God-daughter) - May 24, 2024 at 12:28 PM

MS

“ Margaret Rose Schmidt lit a candle in memory of Margaret Bussey





Margaret Rose Schmidt - May 23, 2024 at 03:32 PM



“ We the March Family and Marshall-March Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

Marshall-March Funeral Homes - May 23, 2024 at 07:42 AM

FT

*Our prayers& condolences are with you. Keep those memories close& Ma Bussy will live on forever. I will never forget when she help us with making vests for RICE. That was a great help!!*  

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**Felicia Tarver** - May 30, 2024 at 09:05 AM