



Mary Jo Bolds

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Mary Jo Bolds, 87, of Decatur il passed away on September 15, 2024, at The Loft of Decatur. She was born to Toson and Elnora Bond on March 9, 1937, in Bells TN.

Mary Jo Bond and Johnnie F. Bolds were married in Cornith, MS, August 1953, and to this union three children were born.

Mother Bolds who was a faithful woman of God who had a spirit of giving, serving, caring and intuition.

After relocating from Bells, Tennessee to Decatur, Illinois in the late 1950's, she became a member of First Church of God in Christ and served in different auxiliaries. Years later, she joined Community Temple COGIC under the leadership of Bishop Willie F. Newbon. There she organized the Helping Hands ministry and served as a member of the Mother's Board. Mother Bolds was known for her cooking and hospitality. Mary enjoyed cooking and creating recipes for her family and friends to sample. Being well known for her specialties, chocolate pie, peach cobbler and of course, sunshine salad to name a few.

She was employed at Lincoln Manor Nursing Home as a CNA for 35 years. She was a devoted and dedicated employee.. In 1993 she became a founding board member of the African-America Cultural and Genealogical Society of Illinois, Inc. and served as a board member-at-large. She visited the sick in various facilities. In her spare time, she enjoyed shopping and gardening.

Mary is survived by her daughter, Rosalind (Joe Sr.) Pirtle of Decatur; grandchild, Marcus Stokes of Cordova, TN; bonus grandchildren, Joe Pirtle Jr. of Atlanta, GA And Michana McCarroll of Jackson, TN; sisters, Evelyn Hood of Decatur and Doris Bond-Kyles of Evergreen Park; special sister-in-law, Martha Bond of Decatur; great-grandchild Tristan Stokes of Memphis, TN; bonus great-grandchildren, Brooklyn and Khari, both of Jackson, TN; special niece and nephew, Alma Allen of Swansea and Willie I. Bond of Marietta, GA, other nieces and nephews and a host of relatives and friends including Lady Pat Newbon and First Lady Shirley Young; and Godchildren, Ily Fox and Cleveland Bradfield.



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She was preceded in death by her husband, Johnnie F. Bolds; her parents; children, Johnnie Bolds Jr and Caroline Bolds; brothers, Willie, Charles, Henry and John Bond.

The family would like to extend a special thanks to Transitions Hospice and Ya-Ya and Tanisha aka, "Bessie" and "Martha" for the care that they provided to Mary throughout her stay at The Loft.

A visitation will be held for Mary on September 30, 2024, from 10:30am-11:30pm at The Community Temple Church of God and Christ. A funeral service will be held at 11:30am after visitation. A burial will be held at Graceland Cemetery in the Star of Hope Mausoleum directly after the funeral.

In lieu of flowers the family would like donations to be made in Mary's name to the Alzheimer's Association at www.alz.org 614 W. Glen Ave. Peoria, IL. 61614 in memory of Mary Jo Bolds.

Condolences can be left for the family at www.gracelandfairlawn.com.






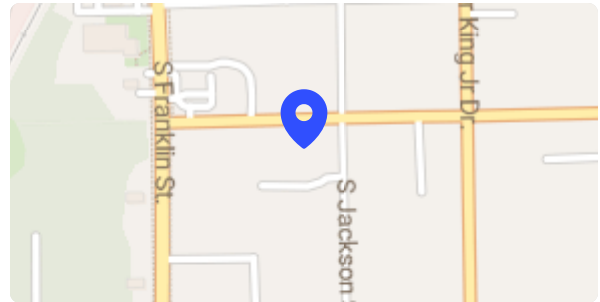
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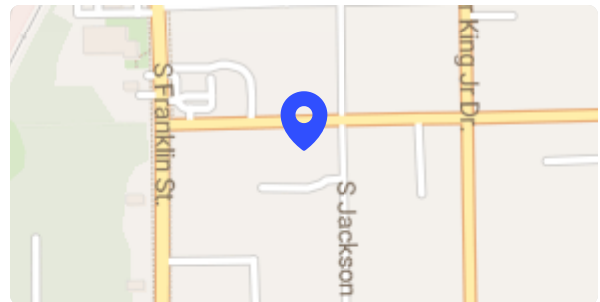
Visitation

-  **Monday**, September 30, 2024
-  10:30 AM - 11:30 AM CT
-  **Community Temple COGIC**
759 S. Jackson Street, Decatur IL 62521





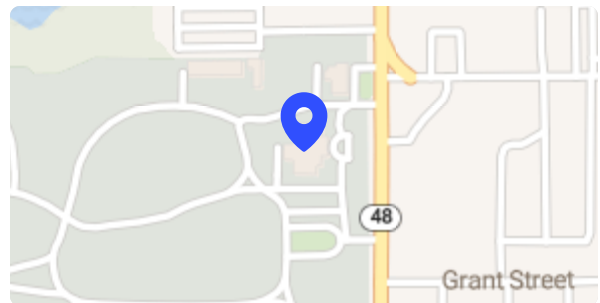
Funeral Service

-  **Monday**, September 30, 2024
-  11:30 AM CT
-  **Community Temple COGIC**
759 S. Jackson Street, Decatur IL 62521



Entombment

-  **Monday**, September 30, 2024
-  **Star of Hope**
2091 N. Oakland Ave., Decatur IL 62526





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T

Tyson Williams sent a virtual gift in honor of Mary.

I remember when we were young. Its so sad. 😞

February 11 at 10:51 AM



RB

Rob Brummel lit a candle in honor of Mary.

September 26 at 4:53 AM



RB

Rob Brummel (Antioch Missionary Baptist) lit a candle in honor of Mary.

September 26 at 4:52 AM



SG

Shirley Green lit a candle in honor of Mary.

Sending prayers and heart felt sympathy to Roz, Marcus and the entire Bolds family at this time bereavement. Love you! Shirley Green and family. Indianapolis, Indiana

September 26 at 1:55 AM



DB

Deacon Elbert Brown Jr lit a candle in honor of Mary.

Deacon Elbert Brown Jr lit a candle in memory of Mary Bolds

September 24 at 6:06 PM



JF

Jerome J Joyner And Family lit a candle in honor of Mary.

Jerome J Joyner and Family lit a candle in memory of Mary Bolds

September 24 at 12:06 PM





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GA

Gwen Anderson posted:

Mary Jo was a very nice and sweet lady/auntie. I remember the visits she and my uncle Johnny Frank made to Tennessee for family gatherings. I will forever have those beautiful memories of her with me. May she rest in peace.

September 23 at 3:46 PM

MR

Mr. & Mrs. Edgar Reed lit a candle in honor of Mary.

Praying for God's comfort and peace. Burl Stoner & Family

September 19 at 5:37 PM



DR

Dene Ridgeway posted:

Mary was a Sweet Spirit and I enjoyed being in her presence. May she rest in perfect peace. Condolences and Prayers to her Family ❤️

September 19 at 1:35 PM

MO

Markeitha C Oldham lit a candle in honor of Mary.

Sending my condolences 🙏

September 17 at 9:53 PM



CE

Carol Estes lit a candle in honor of Mary.

Carol Estes lit a candle in memory of Mary Bolds

September 17 at 12:15 PM



DM

Diane Mcgee lit a candle in honor of Mary.

Sorry for your loss.

September 17 at 3:57 AM





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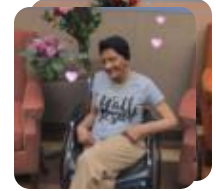
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Yaya shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I'm truly blessed to have had you in my life... you've made some of my the hardest days of my life so much easier with just your presence. You will always have a place in my heart forever. I Love you and will miss you ma ❤️



September 16 at 4:34 PM



Marie Northcross October 1 at 5:36 AM

Proud Mary. Was a lady who had high potential about herself. Very classic lady that stood out amongst all other people in her surroundings. She was so enthusiastic about herself that no one could resist seeing her beautiful smile. There are many memories sweet memories that Proud Mary has left behind and I will cherish them for the rest of my life. Thanks for accepting my oldest uncle for your husband til God called him home May 2009 it was time for him to enter into his eternity home. They both were beautiful couple in and out. My prayers and condolences are with you Roz Joe Marcus and the entire family. Roz, I know it is hard navigating yourself right now. But I will say, you can always tell the world that your parents were very likable and carried themselves professional regardless of their circumstances or whereabouts. May God continually improving your strength as you go forward with your life. The Northcross family Charles Marie Charleston and ALL four grandchildren ❤️



Pamela May September 19 at 9:41 AM

Oh Mary!! You were also a joy to me everyday!! just loved having you in my life and know you are smiling down on us ❤️ My prayers and thoughts are with your family and the Loft Family who loved you like their own..... Thank You for loving me ❤️ Pam May



Media

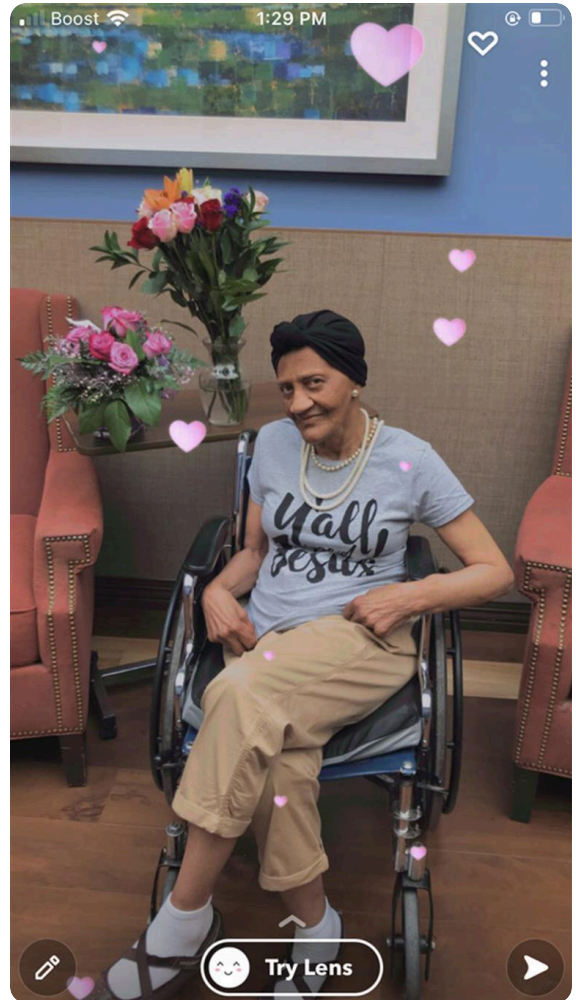
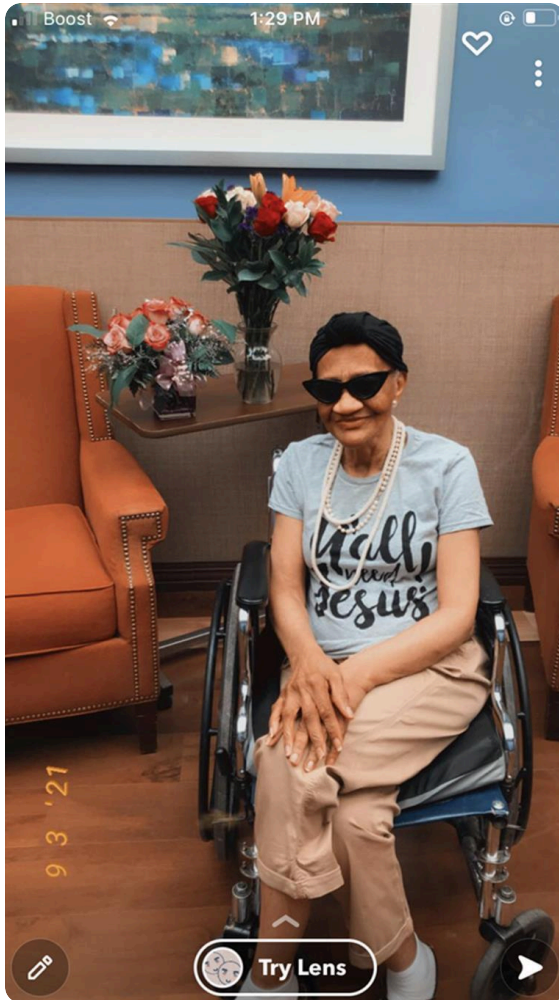
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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Mary by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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