

### *Acknowledgement*

*The family of Barbara Briggs wishes to Thank everyone who showed kindness and their many expressions of sympathy and Love during our time of bereavement. Whether you sent a card or flowers, whispered a prayer or simply kept us in your thoughts it is greatly appreciated.*

### *Pallbearers*

*The Road Runners*

### *Honorary Pallbearers*

*Sointa K. Effinger, Jr. - Nayyohn Johnson, Jr. - Quejon' Effinger*

*Khayyam Young - Tayon' Effinger - Stephen D. Page*

### **Rest in Paradise Mom**

Living God, although my tears are flowing, I feel blessed that when my mother took her last breath, she entered heaven's gates. I miss her dearly, but I cling to your promise of salvation for those who place their faith in You. May she rest in Paradise until that final day when you return, and we are caught up into the clouds with you. Help me to honor her memory by living a life of selfless love and service.

Amen

### **If Flowers Grow in Heaven**

If flowers grow in heaven,  
Lord, then pick a bunch for me.  
Then place them in my grandmother's arms  
and tell her they're from me.

Tell her that I love and miss her  
and when she turns to smile,  
place a kiss upon her cheek and hold her  
for awhile.

Because remembering her is easy,  
I do it every day,  
but there's an ache within my heart  
that will never go away.

To offer condolences to The Briggs Family,  
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# *Homegoing Celebration for*

FEBRUARY 2, 1951 - DECEMBER 30, 2022

*Barbara J. Briggs*



### **~Service~**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 2023 ~11:00am**

***The Chapel of Peace Mansfield***

753 McPherson Street  
Mansfield, OH 44903

## Obituary

Barbara Jean Young Briggs, 71, transitioned this life on Friday, December 30, 2022 at Ohio Health Hospital, Mansfield, Ohio after an extended illness.

Barbara never complained as she continued trusting in the Lord with her husband Willie J. and family members by her side.

Mrs. Briggs was born on Friday, February 2, 1951 to the late Aaron G. Sr. and Lorine L. VanBuren Young in Mansfield, Barbara was a lifetime resident. Barbara gave her life to Jesus Christ at a very young age. She began her walk with Jesus Christ at Mt. Calvary Baptist Church. After leaving Mt. Calvary Baptist she became a faithful member of First Baptist church WTDW where she remained faithful until her passing. Barbara was quiet, fun loving, and a private person who loved her family dearly.

She enjoyed reading, listening to gospel music, playing games, and spending quality time with her family. Christmas was one of her favorite holidays where she would put one of her many talents to use like baking. She always baked and decorated the best cookies. Barbara loved to buy African American art which she displayed elegantly throughout her home. She usually purchased extra art to give as gifts. Barbara started working at a young age and earned an Associate Degree from North Central State College. She spent most of her working days working with money and organizing. Barbara was last employed with MBIE in Mansfield. Although she retired, she continued to work at home for herself. Until Barbara took her last breath, she continued to live by one of her favorite chapters in the Bible Proverbs Chapter 3:5-6 Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not into your own understanding.

Left to cherish her memory husband, Willie J. Briggs Jr, daughter Kenya Young, Detroit, Michigan, stepdaughter Paula Briggs, stepson David Jones, 7 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren including a special great granddaughter Samiyyah Carter who was always by her side, 2 sisters Debra Young Evans, Memphis, Tennessee, and Angela (Stephen) Page, 3 brothers Henry (Ann) VanBuren, Jerry (Linda) Young, and Daniel Young, brother-in-law James Jones Sr., sister-in-law Lillie M. (Mizell) Lane, brothers-in-law Narvie (Mary) Briggs, Robert (Monica) Briggs, and Ricardo (Monique) Jones, numerous Aunts, Nieces, Nephews and Cousins, a Special Sister Ms. Emma Jones.

In addition to her parents, Barbara was preceded in death by her daughter Shannon Young, stepson Don Jones, 2 sisters Katherine Jones and Joan Day, 5 brothers Stephen, Ricky, Lewis, & Aaron C. Young and Oliver Shaw Sr., 4 brother-in-law JC Briggs, Theodore Briggs, James Evans, Memphis, TN, Harvey Day, Jr.

## Order of Service

ORGAN PRELUDE.....Ms. Alice Bond  
PARTING VIEW.....Immediate Family  
SCRIPTURE READING.....  
    Old Testament ..... Pastor Jeffrey Jones  
    New Testament.....Elder Link Briggs  
PRAYER.....  
SELECTION.....Ms. Sade Lang – Mr. David Jones-trumpet  
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS ..... Sister Emma Jones  
REMARKS ..... Sister Stacey Young  
READING OF OBITUARY .....Read Silently  
SELECTION..... Elder Link Briggs

### *The Eulogy* *Elder Link Briggs*

BENEDICTION..... Elder Link Briggs  
RECESSIONAL.....Clergy, Family, and Friends

### *Interment* *Mansfield Cemetery*

*Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the  
renewal of your mind. That by testing you may discern what is  
the will of God. What is good and acceptable and perfect.*

*Romans 12:2*