



## Bessie M. Norris

November 23, 1928 - November 24, 2018

Affectionately known as “Madea,” 90, entered heaven’s gates on Saturday, November 24, 2018, at PruittHealth Brookhaven Rehabilitation Center, Atlanta, Georgia following a long illness.

She was born to Dora Whit and Luther Echoe, November 23, 1928, in Atlanta, Georgia. As a young girl, she was an excellent dancer and loved to dance. She attended South Atlanta Elementary School, in Atlanta, Georgia, Mendoza Jr. High School, in Washington, D.C., and graduated High School from Booker T. Washington in Atlanta, Georgia. She was a member of the Church of God and Christ, shepherded by Pastor J.P. Phelps.

Bessie fulfilled her life as a devoted mother, loving grandmother, and doting great-grandmother. She enjoyed cooking, music, and dancing.

She leaves to cherish her memory three children: Gloria A. Tukes (Johnny), Rufus Perdue (Ollie), Dwayne Norris (Kim). She also leaves to cherish her beloved legacy 16 grandchildren, a host of great and great-great children, sister, Edith Hines (Samuel) and many other loving relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by three children: Jerome Perdue (Son), Cynthia Lucas (Daughter), Priscilla Norris (Daughter), her parents Dora and Luther and sister Dorothy Lee Bloodsaw.

A celebration of Madea's life will be at a Memorial Service on Saturday, December 1, 2018, 3:00 p.m. at Gregory B. Levett and Sons, South DeKalb Chapel, 4347 Flat Shoals Parkway, Decatur, Georgia, 30034. Repass will follow at her Decatur home. Flowers may be sent "In Memory Of Bessie Norris" to the family c/o Gregory B. Levett and Sons, South DeKalb Chapel, Decatur, Georgia.

The Reverend Samuel Hines will officiate service.

Please express your condolences here on our website. Services entrusted to Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home, South DeKalb Chapel. 4347 Flat Shoals Pkwy Decatur GA 30034. 404-241-5656.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **30**. 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

South DeKalb Chapel  
4347 Flat Shoals Pkwy.  
Decatur, GA 30034  
(404) 241-5656  
[info@levettfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@levettfuneralhome.com)

## Celebration of Life

DEC **1**. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Decatur, GA 30034  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bessie M. Norris.*



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“ *Dear Norris Family: Please accept my sincere condolences for the loss of your loved one. May the love and support of family and friends comfort you greatly during this difficult time. The Bible also gives us comfort and hope to see our loved ones again right here on earth by means of the resurrection. “There will be a resurrection of the righteous and the unrighteous “ May you have peace as you think about this beautiful hope for the future.*



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