



## Minnie D Adams-Barnes

March 8, 1937 - January 5, 2026

Minnie Adams Barnes was born March 8, 1937 to the late Bessie C. Gaines and Lenzie T. Gaines in Hartwell, Georgia. God called her home on Monday January 5, 2026 at Emory Hospital in Decatur, Georgia. She was preceded in death by her late husband, Haywood W. Barnes and by five brothers and two sisters.

After growing up in Hartwell, GA and graduating from Hart County High School, she moved to New England where she married the late Clifford Adams, who passed away in 1971. In 1976, she moved back to Georgia with her two young boys, Mark and Russell, where she married Mr. Haywood Barnes, who also had three sons, Eric, Kendrick and Kenneth Barnes. Together, they created a home where love, responsibility, and hard work were the core values of their blended family.

Minnie is fondly remembered for her long and distinguished career in retail management, where she worked for many years with JCPenny's and Walmart. Her commitment to her profession, her colleagues, and the many customers she served over the years left an indelible mark on those who knew her.

Minnie was a wife, a mother, a grandmother, a great grandmother, an aunt, a sister, a provider, a caregiver, and a true friend to many. She went by many

names— Minnie, Dee, Mom, Ma, grandma, and Nana just to name a few. Regardless of what you called her, you knew she loved you— freely and unconditionally. She leaves a legacy of faithfulness, selflessness, kindness, honesty, compassion, resilience, determination and hard work.

Most importantly, Minnie was a woman of faith, who accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior at an early age. She worshipped regularly at Greater Traveler's Rest Baptist Church and at Beulah Baptist Church before her health declined.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory and legacy; five sons: Russell Adams, Mark Adams, Kenneth Barnes, Kendrick Barnes, and Eric (Cherolyn) Barnes, all of Georgia; daughter; June (Curtis) Dennis of Miami, Fla; one sister-in-law: Mrs. Sarah Wilkens of Cincinnati, OH; eleven grand-children; eight great-grandchildren; 1 great-great grandchild; and a host of nieces, nephews and other loving relatives and friends.

A memorial service to celebrate Minnie's life will be held on Friday, January 16th, 2026, at 11:00 am at Gregory B. Levett & Son Funeral Home, located at the Flat Shoals Location in Decatur, Georgia. Family, friends, and all whose lives Minnie touched are invited to gather in her honor.

The Celebration of Life Service for Minnie D. Barnes will be held on Friday, January 16, 2026 at 11:00AM. This service will be recorded and streamed live. If the event is interrupted at any time due to technical issues, the entire event will be uploaded and available to view later in the day. Please copy and paste the link to share, or simply click on the link to view the event.

<https://vimeo.com/event/5642153>

# Tribute Wall

MB

“ Sending sincere condolences to the family of my friend Minnie. We met in 1989 at Walmart and became the best of friends. I am going to miss our long talks on the phone where she would always let me know how her family was doing. She enjoyed talking about her boys and grandkids and how proud she was of them and their accomplishments.

*Marvin and Margaret Bolden*

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**Margaret Bolden** - January 16 at 10:02 AM

DG

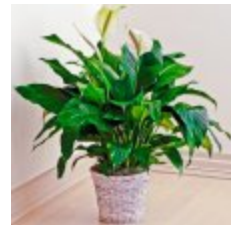
“ David G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Minnie D Adams-Barnes.

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**David G.** - January 15 at 08:46 PM

FF

“ From The Thaliath Family purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Minnie D Adams-Barnes.



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**From The Thaliath Family** - January 15 at 05:31 PM

GD

“ Gregory & Hazel Drain planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Minnie D Adams-Barnes.

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**Gregory & Hazel Drain** - January 15 at 09:03 AM

GD

“ Gregory & Hazel Drain purchased the Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White for the family of Minnie D Adams-Barnes.



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**Gregory & Hazel Drain** - January 15 at 09:03 AM

DP

“ Sending my prayers and condolences to the Adam's and Barnes family. Shared many Thanksgiving meals with Aunt Minnie D and other Aunts and Uncles. Missed those days. Rest well Aunt Minnie D

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**Diane Posey** - January 14 at 09:05 PM

KJ

“ Kermit and Hope Johnson purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Minnie D Adams-Barnes.



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**Kermit and Hope Johnson** - January 13 at 11:00 AM

MA

“ 25 files added to the album *Minnie Adams Barnes*



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**Mark Adams** - January 11 at 03:16 PM

CB

“ Christopher B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of *Minnie D Adams-Barnes*.

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**Christopher B.** - January 10 at 09:26 PM