



Evangelist Aresia Durr

November 28, 1943 - October 15, 2025

Aresia Durr was born on November 28, 1943 to Carey and Jennie Proctor in Brandon, Mississippi where she graduated from Carter High. In 1964 she married her prestigious husband of 51 years; Earnest Lee Durr. In 1965 the young couple moved to East Chicago, Indiana and eventually settled in Gary, Indiana where they were blessed and prospered while raising three children.

Aresia was employed as a Certified Nursing Assistant at St Catherine Hospital in East Chicago, Indiana until she selflessly returned home to raise her children. She accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior in her early 20s and never looked back. Aresia was God focused as she knocked on doors in the church street ministry, held bible study, host shut-ins and church services in the basement of her home. She was passionate and aspiring to many, a true soldier in God's Army, Prayer Warrior, always ready and willing to spread the Glorious Gospel of Jesus Christ. Aresia diligently served in the church for over 55 years while serving in various esteemed roles such as Evangelist, First Lady of Greater Faith COGIC, First Lady of Miracle Temple COGIC, District Missionary in the State of Indiana and Church Mother at Saint Hill COGIC. Aresia Durr was a rock, steadfast, unmovable always abounding in the work of the Lord. She will receive many crowns in Heaven for her works and the innumerable souls she led to Christ. Aresia touched many lives and will be missed but never forgotten.

Aresia was preceded in death by her husband Earnest Lee Durr Sr.; parents, Carey and Jennie Proctor; brothers, Charles Proctor and Carey (Lucille) Proctor Jr.; sisters Eva (Milton) Jones and Mattie Knight.

She leaves to honor and cherish her memories three children; Ernest (Lynette) Durr, Carolyn Renee and Darrell Durr; brothers, Rickey (Josephine) Proctor and Richard Proctor; sisters, Geneva (Milton) Williams and Victoria (Charles) Gaither all of Brandon, Mississippi; in-laws, Maybell Taylor and David Durr; 7 grandchildren (Jovonte, Erin, Kamila, Carolyn, Derrell, Chaleen, Christopher), 2 great grandchildren (Jovonte Jr., Jayden), and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, church family and friends.

Cemetery Details

Paradise Gardens Memorial Cemetery

745 Hwy 468
Brandon, MS 39042

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **24**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Dean Memorial Funeral Home
745 Highway 468
Brandon, MS 39042
(601) 825-3884
<https://deanmemorialfuneralhome.com/>

Family Hour

OCT **24**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

"Lovie" Dean Memorial Chapel
745 Hwy 468
Brandon, MS 39042

Homegoing Service

OCT **25**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St Hill Church Of God In Christ
429 Andrew Chapel Road
Brandon, MS 39042

Tribute Wall



“ *Dean Memorial Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Evangelist Aresia Durr*



Dean Memorial Funeral Home - October 23, 2025 at 06:34 PM

YR

“ *Your OSHA family-Birmingham Region purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Evangelist Aresia Durr.*



Your OSHA family-Birmingham Region - October 24, 2025 at 03:12 PM

YR

“ *Your OSHA family-Birmingham Region planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Evangelist Aresia Durr.*

Your OSHA family-Birmingham Region - October 24, 2025 at 03:12 PM

BA

“ *barbaramagee sent a virtual gift in memory of Aresia Durr*



barbaramagee - October 24, 2025 at 12:47 PM

PJ

“ *Phyllis Jenkins lit a candle in memory of Aresia Durr*



Phyllis Jenkins - October 23, 2025 at 09:07 PM

CJ

“ *Christal Jenkins purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Evangelist Aresia Durr.*



Christal Jenkins - October 23, 2025 at 04:47 PM

JB

“ *I am so sorry for your lost.*



Joel batiz - October 23, 2025 at 03:12 PM

EF

“ Eugene Dukes Jr and Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Evangelist Aresia Durr.

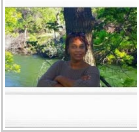


Eugene Dukes Jr and Family - October 23, 2025 at 10:37 AM

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“ Eugene Dukes Jr and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Evangelist Aresia Durr.

Eugene Dukes Jr and Family - October 23, 2025 at 10:37 AM



“ Deepest sympathy to the Durr and Proctor family..



Sarah McIntyre Smith - October 22, 2025 at 10:26 PM

NT

“ Nina Taylor lit a candle in memory of Aresia Durr



Nina Taylor - October 22, 2025 at 04:48 PM

NT

“ *Nina Taylor lit a candle in memory of Aresia Durr*



Nina Taylor - October 22, 2025 at 02:32 PM

JO

“ *Jackson Area Office - OSHA purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Evangelist Aresia Durr.*



Jackson Area Office - OSHA - October 22, 2025 at 02:17 PM

TM

“ *Ernest,*

I'm so sorry to hear about the passing of your mother. Please accept my deepest condolences during this difficult time. My thoughts are with you and your family as you navigate through this loss.

If there's anything you need or if I can offer any support from here at Mercer, please don't hesitate to reach out.

*With Sympathy,
Terra
Coordinator, Mercer Transportation*

Terra Mitchell - October 22, 2025 at 11:12 AM

VW

“ Vernell 'VW' Whitehead purchased the *Pretty Please* for the family of Evangelist Aresia Durr.



Vernell 'VW' Whitehead - October 22, 2025 at 11:02 AM

VW

“ Vernell 'VW' Whitehead planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Evangelist Aresia Durr.

Vernell 'VW' Whitehead - October 22, 2025 at 11:02 AM

DA

“ Dana and Aparna purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Evangelist Aresia Durr.



Dana and Aparna - October 22, 2025 at 09:54 AM

DA

“ Dana and Aparna planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Evangelist Aresia Durr.

Dana and Aparna - October 22, 2025 at 09:54 AM



“ *Phyllis Jenkins sent a virtual gift in memory of Aresia Durr*



Phyllis Jenkins - October 21, 2025 at 09:21 PM



“ *Vergiejackson lit a candle in memory of Aresia Durr*



Vergiejackson - October 21, 2025 at 09:18 PM



“ *Kayla Durr-Parker lit a candle in memory of Aresia Durr*



Kayla Durr-Parker - October 21, 2025 at 08:03 PM



“ *The Williams purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Evangelist Aresia Durr.*



The Williams - October 21, 2025 at 07:23 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Evangelist Aresia Durr.*



October 21, 2025 at 07:16 PM



“ *From the Freant and Lahm families. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Evangelist Aresia Durr.*

From the Freant and Lahm families. - October 21, 2025 at 07:16 PM



“ *May God comfort and continue to strengthen this family during this time and the days to come. Love Andrew and Carolyn Thomas*



Carolyn Thomas - October 21, 2025 at 07:13 PM



“ *Evelyn Young lit a candle in memory of Aresia Durr*



Evelyn Young - October 21, 2025 at 07:11 PM

EA

“ *Eddie Ainsworth lit a candle in memory of Aresia Durr*



Eddie Ainsworth - October 21, 2025 at 06:21 PM

LJ

“ *Deepest condolences and prayers to the Durr and Proctor families. Auntie was a sweet lady.*



Linda Jones - October 21, 2025 at 04:04 PM



“ *Vernest Hines Likkel lit a candle in memory of Aresia Durr*



Vernest Hines Likkel - October 20, 2025 at 03:31 PM