



## Mrs Geneva M. Blackwell

March 22, 1937 - June 27, 2019

Geneva was born to Ludie Watts and Marie Barnes on March 22, 1937 in Bogalusa, Louisiana. The family moved to Detroit, Michigan when she was 8 years old.

She married the love of her life, Raymond, on July 18, 1964.

Geneva was educated in the Detroit Public School System, graduating from Miller High School in 1954.

Geneva attended Central State College in Wilberforce, Ohio and Wayne State in Detroit. She attained an Associate Degree in Science as a Medical Laboratory Technician.

Her work career started with the U.S. Army Tank Automotive Command where she held several clerical and secretarial positions. The next part of her work experience was spent as a rotating tech in the laboratories of the American Red Cross.

She ended her work career as supervisor of the Distribution Department of the American Red Cross.

Geneva accepted Christ at an early age at the New Bethel Baptist Church, Detroit— Reverend C.L. Franklin, Pastor. Later, she was a member for over 20 years of the First Baptist Institutional Church, Reverend Howard, B.M. Fauntroy, Pastor. While there, she served as Deaconess in the missionary and usher ministry.

After moving to Mississippi, she and her husband joined the Rock Star M.B. Church, in Brandon in 2008, Reverend Clifton Boggans, Pastor. There she

served on the usher ministry and mission ministry. Reverend Boggans truly enlightened her on the Bible as no other pastor had. She was truly grateful for the teachings.

Geneva leaves to mourn her passing; a sister, Mattie Sanders; one aunt, Margaret; two sisters-in-law, Shirley O'Neal (Frank) and Lottie Swafford (Jimmy), nieces, nephews, cousins and a host of other relatives.

# Cemetery Details

## Rock Star M. B. Church Cemetery

West Sunset Drive  
Brandon, MS

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 30. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Dean Memorial Funeral Home  
745 Highway 468  
Brandon, MS 39042  
(601) 825-3884  
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