



Mrs. Lena Taylor

January 28, 1920 - February 25, 2024

Mary Arlena Taylor, known to many as Mrs. Lena Taylor, was born on January 28, 1920, in Morton, Mississippi. She was the oldest of two children born to Arch "Willie" Taylor and Viola Boyd Denson.

Lena was married to her late husband, Fletcher Taylor, on February 7, 1943. Lena was blessed with two children, Archie Lee Taylor, and Eula Mae Taylor Rhodes Blackwell. Lena worked at the Mississippi State Hospital as a Psychiatric Nurse aide until she retired. She has been a resident of Brandon, MS, since 1949.

Lena joined Wesley Chapel UMC in 1952 in Brandon, MS, and was an active member and mother of the church until its doors closed in 2003. She later joined Evergreen UMC, now known as Evergreen Christian Community Church in Brandon, MS, in April of 2003, where she served as a mother of the church and was the eldest mother of the church.

Lena transitioned from this earthly home to her heavenly home on Sunday, February 25, 2024, at 3:20 pm. She leaves to cherish her memories of her loving son Archie Lee Taylor, five grandchildren, eighteen great-grandchildren, and eight great-great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her daughter, Eula Mae Taylor Rhodes Blackwell, brother T.Y. Taylor, grandson Roy Lee Rhodes, and husband, Fletcher Taylor.

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Christian Community Church

1011 Trickhambridge Road
Brandon, MS 39042

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 6. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Homegoing Service

MAR 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

Evergreen Christian Community Church
1011 Trickhambridge Road
Brandon, MS 39042

Tribute Wall



“ Dean Memorial Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Lena Taylor



Dean Memorial Funeral Home - March 06, 2024 at 04:58 PM

EC

“ Mother Lena was our eldest “Beacon of Light”. The “light” has gone out and another “library” closed, but we will cherish the memory and legacy of our “Queen” at EC3.

Evergreen Christian Community Church - March 07, 2024 at 12:36 PM

BM

“ Barbara Magee sent a virtual gift in memory of Lena Taylor



Barbara Magee - March 07, 2024 at 07:54 AM

ES

“ Our Prayers are with the Taylor Family. We love you all.
Earl and Byshia Smith

Earl and Byshia Smith - March 06, 2024 at 07:53 PM

ES

“ Earl Byshia Smith lit a candle in memory of Lena Taylor



Earl and Byshia Smith - March 06, 2024 at 07:50 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lena Taylor.



March 05, 2024 at 05:33 PM

FC

“ From Taylorsville Community Church planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Lena Taylor.

From Taylorsville Community Church - March 05, 2024 at 05:33 PM

ST

“ LOVE YOU GRANDMA LENA!!!❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️
SANDRA



Sandra Taylor - March 03, 2024 at 06:41 PM

VJ

“ *Vergie jackson lit a candle in memory of Lena Taylor*



Vergie jackson - March 02, 2024 at 12:00 PM

LG

“ *Lesa Gray lit a candle in memory of Lena Taylor*



Lesa Gray - February 29, 2024 at 09:51 PM

AH

“ *From Almeda Harmon and family*



Almeda Harmon - February 29, 2024 at 03:18 PM

AH

“ *Condolences to the family from Almeda Harmon and family*



Almeda Harmon - February 29, 2024 at 03:17 PM

AH

“ Praying for the family of Ms. Lena Taylor from Almeda Harmon and Family..may God give you comfort and peace!



Almeda Harmon - February 29, 2024 at 03:01 PM

MM

“ Melinda Mack sent a virtual gift in memory of Lena Taylor



Melinda Mack - February 29, 2024 at 08:22 AM

TM

“ Granny you were always sweet to my brother and I. You checked on us, baked cakes for us and I'm sure prayed for us. I will cherish the memories always ~ Trina McLin and family. Ps:tell your favorite guy "Maurice" you made it❤️

Trina McLin - February 29, 2024 at 12:47 AM

TS

“ Temikia Stone lit a candle in memory of Lena Taylor



Temikia Stone - February 28, 2024 at 02:48 PM

DS

“ Debra Scott lit a candle in memory of Lena Taylor



Debra Scott - February 28, 2024 at 10:35 AM

EY

“ Prayers And Condolences Extended To The Taylor Family. May God Give You All Strength And Comfort During Your Time Of Sorrow. RIP MOTHER LENA TAYLOR. 🙏🙏🙏



Evelyn Young - February 28, 2024 at 12:07 AM

EA

“ Eddie Ainsworth lit a candle in memory of Lena Taylor



Eddie Ainsworth - February 27, 2024 at 08:52 PM

DT

“ Delta Fuel Management Team purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Mrs. Lena Taylor.



Delta Fuel Management Team - February 27, 2024 at 02:20 PM

DT

“ *Delta Fuel Management Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Lena Taylor.*

Delta Fuel Management Team - February 27, 2024 at 02:20 PM

VJ

“ *Vergie jackson lit a candle in memory of Lena Taylor*



Vergie jackson - February 26, 2024 at 11:27 PM

CJ

“ *CJA lit a candle in memory of Lena Taylor*



CJA - February 26, 2024 at 08:30 PM

“ TRIBUTE To Mother Lena Taylot

When Great Trees Fall

*When great trees fall,
rocks on distant hills shudder,
lions hunker down in tall grasses,
and even elephants lumber after safety.*

*When great trees fall in forests,
small things recoil into silence,
their senses eroded beyond fear.*

*When great souls die, the air around us becomes light, rare, sterile.
We breathe, briefly.
Our eyes, briefly, see with
a hurtful clarity. Our memory, suddenly sharpened, examines,
gnaws on kind words unsaid, promised walks never taken.*

*Great souls die and our reality, bound to them, takes leave of us.
Our souls, dependent upon their
nurture, now shrink, wizened.
Our minds, formed and informed by their radiance, fall away.
We are not so much maddened
as reduced to the unutterable ignorance of dark, cold caves.*

*And when great souls die,
after a period peace blooms,
slowly and always irregularly. Spaces fill with a kind of
soothing electric vibration.
Our senses, restored, never
to be the same, whisper to us.
They existed. They existed.
We can be. Be and be better. For they existed.”
Maya Angelou*





CJA - February 26, 2024 at 08:29 PM

MT

Mrs. Lena and my mom, Mayonie Reed, worked together at the State Hospital. What great friends they were. Sympathy is extended to Sandra from Linda, Mayonie, and Jr.

MT - February 28, 2024 at 12:47 PM

KT

Grandma, we love you. Kristy and Karen

Kristy Taylor - March 02, 2024 at 04:56 PM