



## Evangelist Missionary Mattie Jane Torry

March 13, 1953 - October 5, 2023

Evangelist (Evg.) Missionary Mattie Jane Stokes Torry, a beacon of unwavering faith and boundless love, passed away on October 5, 2023. Born on March 13, 1953, in the embrace of Luke and Mary Stokes in Camden, MS, Mattie grew up surrounded by the warmth of her seven cherished siblings: Clifton, Lillie Belle, Adam, Luke, Ruth, David, and Danny.

In her early years, Mattie's faith in God blossomed. Mattie's deep faith in Christ was instilled at an early age, and it became the cornerstone of her life's purpose. Her heart overflowed with a desire to share this love and knowledge with the world, as she embarked on her ministry journey by walking the streets of Canton, MS, fervently sharing the gospel and inviting others to accept Christ as their Savior. During those early years, she also served at Faith Tabernacle Church of Deliverance in Canton, MS as Minister Mattie Torry, where her marriage to Earnest M. Torry on May 26th, 1976, was a union marked by shared devotion to their faith. Her love for people was boundless, and it radiated from her with every step she took.

Mattie's love for the Bible was unwavering, leading her to earn an associate degree in biblical studies. This was a testament to her commitment to understanding and spreading the Word of God.

Evangelist Missionary Mattie Torry's legacy is also beautifully woven through

her daughters, Evangelist Dr. Dinah (Bisheba) E. Akridge, and First Lady Tabitha Martin. Her imprint on their lives is indelible, as is her influence on her adoring grandchildren: Autumn, Ember, Luther Cortez (Corkie), Ina, Austin, and Lexi.

Her commitment to ministry took her to Refuge Temple in Jackson, MS, where she became the President of the Newcomers Department. Mattie's arms were always open wide to embrace those seeking the Holy Ghost, and for nine years, she poured her heart into this calling.

Following this, her path led her to prison ministry, where for 25 years, she worked tirelessly, bringing the light of Christ to many lost souls. Her impact in this realm was immeasurable, and her dedication unwavering.

Mattie's mother fondly remembered her daughter's penchant for cleanliness. "She would spend hours cleaning the home, even as her siblings played and teased her. One time, she got tired of them meddling, and one day when her brothers, Adam and Luke, decided to run through the house after Mattie had just finished mopping the floor she started swinging them both out the door. She would never hit them, just swing "em."

Her mother also recalled how Mattie would sweep under the house and once mistakenly washed her father's white t-shirts with something red, turning them all pink. Her father's response was a simple, "Well, I always did like pink."

According to her siblings, no matter where they went, Mattie always carried a Bible and her toothbrush.

Mattie's legacy lives on through her husband Earnest, daughters Dinah (son-in-law Deacon Ernest Akridge) and Tabitha (son-in-law Pastor Evangelist Luther Martin), and a precious legacy of grandchildren: Autumn, Ember, Ina,

Austin, Lexi, and Luther Cortez (Corkie). Her love and guidance will continue to shine brightly through them.

# Cemetery Details

## Paradise Gardens Memorial Cemetery

745 Hwy 468  
Brandon, MS 39042

# Previous Events

## Service

OCT **12**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dean Memorial Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Evangelist Missionary Mattie Jane Torry*



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**Dean Memorial Funeral Home** - October 11, 2023 at 06:14 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Evangelist Missionary Mattie Jane Torry.*



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October 11, 2023 at 02:47 PM



“ *I did not know Ms. Mattie, but I know her daughter and she raised a fine one in Tabitha. I am praying for the family, and I know she has a large crown in heaven that will be filled with many jewels of blessings because of the life she lived. God has healed her completely! Absent in the Body, Present with the Lord. I wish I could have been there, when she first saw Jesus! What a victory her life has been! Love you Tab, Susie Cox*

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**Susan S. Cox** - October 11, 2023 at 10:01 AM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Evangelist Missionary Mattie Jane Torry.*



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October 11, 2023 at 09:15 AM



“ *Rest well beautiful soul.....forever in our hearts ♡♡ Love Clechea*



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**Clechea Clemons** - October 10, 2023 at 05:15 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Evangelist Missionary Mattie Jane Torry.*



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October 10, 2023 at 05:12 PM



“ *Senior Vanessa Oatis lit a candle in memory of Missionary Mattie Torry*



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**Senior Apostle Vanessa Oatis** - October 07, 2023 at 10:43 PM

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“ *Eddie J Ainsworth lit a candle in memory of Missionary Mattie Torry*



Eddie J Ainsworth - October 07, 2023 at 02:08 PM



“ *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Evangelist Missionary Mattie Jane Torry.*



October 06, 2023 at 09:35 PM

DJ

“ *Our most sincere Condolences as and our most fervent prayers go up for the family. Mother Torry was God's instrument. I am so grateful for the impact she had on our lives. She prayed numerous souls into the kingdom and the Spirit validated her ministry by the MANY souls that were filled with the Spirit through her labor. We pray that God would comfort the family through this season of Mourning and may our hearts find joy in the blessed hope of Christ's return.*

Dr. Marvin Jay Johnson - October 06, 2023 at 09:32 PM

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*I Am Sending my Sincere Condolences and Prayers to the family, My dear friend and sister in Christ, See you later in Paradise, you were a Powerhouse!!! Gonna miss talking to you enjoy Heaven!*

Pastor Lori L.Lindsey - October 10, 2023 at 12:02 AM