

BERTHA LEE WAITE



Bertha 'Bert' Lee Waite, 79, of Bryceville, accepted her invitation to Heaven October 19, 2020, surrounded by her immediate family in her home. She was born December 26, 1940, in Jacksonville, to John Quincy Jones and Lilly Mae Jones. Bertha was a wonderful woman full of life and love for her family. Bert was diagnosed with Lung Cancer briefly before her passing in the late summer of this year. The family as well as herself, accepted the diagnosis with hope and prayers. After hanging up her apron from O'Steens Pharmacy, she was able to spend time with her husband of 63 years. Always known to have a zest for life she enjoyed spending her time playing a competitive game of scrabble with those who would join her, crossword puzzles, Saturday morning garage sales, vacations to Cancun, Mexico yearly, cooking and baking for her immediate family, as well as church family. She valued and took the time she could to spend her days with her family, both young and old especially celebrating her most loved holiday, Christmas. She will be sorely missed by her shadow and comfort companion "Sugar."

Bert is survived by her loving husband Wallace 'Buck' Edward Waite; three children John (Maureen) Waite, Hal (Valerie) Waite and Cheryl (Mike) Carr; brother George (Delaine) Jones; sister Vivian (Manny) Ortega; sister-in-law Pat Waite; grandchildren Bo (Samantha) Waite, Jennifer Curry, Scott (Connie) Waite, Jason Carr, Danielle (Brandon) Ennis, Andrea (Josh) Grennell, Jared (Lindsey) Waite; and wonderfully blessed with 14 great-grandchildren.

Bertha is preceded in death by a brother Madison Jones; sisters Barbara Jowers and Johnnie Mae Pierce; and a special niece Tammy Babich.

A Celebration of life as she entered her eternal home was held Saturday, October 24 at Hardage-Giddens Riverside Funeral Home, Jacksonville. Visitation was held Friday, October 23. A graveside service followed at Brandy Branch Baptist Church Cemetery, Bryceville.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in her honor to Community Hospice.