



Ida Beatrice Middleton

November 6, 1924 - February 19, 2017

Ida Beatrice Middleton of Bangor, MI, passed away at home on February 19, 2017. She was surrounded by her loved ones. Ida "Beatrice" was born on November 6, 1924, in Dickson, TN to Era and Sim Kimbro. She had nine siblings. In 1944, Beatrice with her parents, moved to Detroit, MI. She married Martin Adcock and gave birth to 4 children. She worked for Chrysler's from 1949 - 1956 where she helped design Chrysler car interiors, specializing in car seating. In 1959 Beatrice remarried and gave birth to her 5th child. She became involved with farming in Florida as well as Michigan. She bought her first blueberry farm in Grand Junction, MI and was very active in the farming community. She worked hard as a farmer and equally hard for migrant workers making sure that they were paid and treated fairly. She met Cesar Chavez and worked with him to create The National Farm Workers Association. She was instrumental in the UFW signing a contract with the Coca Cola Co. covering the Minute Maid citrus workers in Florida. These workers became the United Farm Workers of America. Beatrice is survived by her loving husband, Willie Middleton of 43 years; sister, Lucille Hix of Dickson, TN; her daughters, Sandra Williams of Hartford, MI, and Jean Szatkowski (Greg) of Jupiter, FL; her son, Robert Kakarian of Grand Junction, MI; devoted friend and caregiver, Deborah Day; grandchildren, Jamie Szatkowski of Grand Blanc, MI, Richie Swan, and Britani Campbell of Jupiter, FL, Robert Damian Kakarian of Kalamazoo, MI, Amanda Kakarian of Kalamazoo, MI, Chris Kakarian. Christopher Kakarian, Tony Kakarian, of South Haven, MI, and

Bangor, MI, Michael Kakarian, of Colorado Springs, CO, Katelynn Grace Williams of Sacramento, CA; and 12 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by two sons, William "Bill" Kakarian, and Michael Kakarian. Visitation will be held on Monday, February 27, 2017 from 12:00-1:00 PM at the Bangor Chapel, D. L. Miller Funeral Home where the service will follow at 1:00 PM.

Cemetery Details

Grand Junction Cemetery

53053 CR 388
Grand Junction, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 27. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Bangor Chapel
258 West Monroe Street
Bangor, MI

Service

FEB 27. 1:00 PM (ET)

Bangor Chapel
258 West Monroe Street
Bangor, MI

Tribute Wall

NS

“ *Momma I miss you so very much*

Norma szatkowski - December 30, 2019 at 12:26 PM

NS

Today was one of those days again

Norma Szatkowski - January 17, 2020 at 10:43 PM

CH

“ *Bea you will be missed. I spent a lot of my younger years in the blueberry fields with Bea and Willie. My hearts goes out to her family. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Love Charlotte (Wires) Harrison and Family*

Charlotte Harrison - March 23, 2017 at 07:59 AM

RO

“ *Robin lit a candle in memory of Ida Beatrice Middleton*



Robin - March 09, 2017 at 08:56 AM

SW

“ 1 file added to the album Mama playing "I spy" with grand-daughter, Katelynn



Sandra Williams - March 01, 2017 at 02:39 PM

SW

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Sandra Williams - February 28, 2017 at 06:36 AM

SW

She was a wonderful mother. She inspired me, and encouraged me as she did each of us. We are blessed to have been born from her, to have had her love, and teachings, and we had it for so long. She was like the Sun for me, something I counted on and needed in my life daily. I will forever miss her light.

Sandra Williams - February 28, 2017 at 06:41 AM

MM

“ Aunt Bea though we never met I loved our conversations. Rest In Peace, much love Margaret.



Margaret Mills - February 26, 2017 at 02:12 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ida Beatrice Middleton.*



February 26, 2017 at 08:40 AM



“ *Ms Bea you where always my second mom growing up and you will always be in our hearts and memories RIP dear lady Love you Robin*



robin hernandez - February 26, 2017 at 07:42 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



jean szatkowski - February 25, 2017 at 10:28 PM



my mother.

jean szatkowski - February 25, 2017 at 10:29 PM



last year in the blue berries

jean szatkowski - February 25, 2017 at 10:32 PM

PD

“ *Patti F. Dobbins lit a candle in memory of Ida Beatrice Middleton*



Patti F. Dobbins - February 25, 2017 at 12:36 PM

JG

“ *Jill Gibson lit a candle in memory of Ida Beatrice Middleton*



jill gibson - February 25, 2017 at 05:44 AM

DS

“ *Robert, So sorry to hear about your mom. My prayers are with you and the family.*

Daniel Stout

Daniel Stout - February 24, 2017 at 10:51 AM

JE

“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



jean - February 22, 2017 at 05:43 PM

JS

last pic taken of her getting around.

jean szatkowski - February 25, 2017 at 10:31 PM

JE

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



jean - February 22, 2017 at 05:38 PM

JE

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



jean - February 22, 2017 at 05:37 PM

PD

This is my favorite recent picture of Aunt Bea. Rest in peace dear one.

Patti F. Dobbins - February 25, 2017 at 12:34 PM

JS

momma around 65,

jean szatkowski - February 25, 2017 at 10:33 PM

JE

“ *Jean lit a candle in memory of Ida Beatrice Middleton*



jean - February 22, 2017 at 05:36 PM

JE

my mom

jean - February 22, 2017 at 05:36 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Ida Beatrice Middleton.*



February 21, 2017 at 09:50 PM