



Ms. Freddie Mae Bunch

July 16, 1930 - December 21, 2021

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Freddie Mae Bunch, who loved to be called "Muh" by her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren departed her loving family on December 21, 2021.

Freddie Mae was born in England, Arkansas on July 16, 1930 to Nevador and Essice Shepherd, Sr. (both preceded her in death). She was the oldest of 10 children.

She married James Bunch Sr. (who preceded her in death), and they were parents to 10 children: James Jr. (who preceded her in death), Cecial, Johnny, R Lavern, Zonnie, Denise, David (who preceded her in death), Donna, DeWayne, and Fernando (who preceded her in death) who she raised with love and devotion in Chicago, Illinois.

Aside from the children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren she doted on, Freddie Mae is survived by her loving siblings O.C., James, Lloyd, Jewel Dean, Berniece, and Joe (siblings Essice Jr, Doris and Lucille preceded her in death).

Memorial services will be held at Carbonara Funeral Home, 1515 N. 25th Avenue Melrose Park, IL 60160 on Thursday, December 30, 2021. Services will begin promptly at 1:00 pm and conclude at 2:00 pm. Pastor DeWayne F. Davis will as the officiant.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Freddie Mae Bunch's honor to

"Rush University Medical Center" and mailed to Rush Office of Philanthropy, 28057 Network Place, Chicago IL 60673-1280 or made online at <http://rush.com/vio.net/FBunch>.

Services will also be streamed live on the day of the event on the website below.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Freddie Mae Bunch*

October 05, 2023 at 03:04 AM



“ *Ms. Freddie Mae Bunch*

September 08, 2022 at 03:08 AM



“ *It is with a heavy heart that I offer my condolences to the Bunch family on the passing of Ma Bunch (as I affectionately called her). I consider myself blessed to have known her love and witnessed her strength. I will miss my calls and texts with her, but I will cherish all of the memories we shared. I pray that faith will see you through and memories will bring you comfort in the time ahead. Heaven has gained an angel.*

Then I heard a voice from heaven say, "Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Yes," says the Spirit, "they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them."

~Revelation 14:13 NIV~

Love, Trinkia (submitted on behalf of Trinkia and John Buckley)

Katrinka Markowitz Buckley - January 05, 2022 at 04:57 PM

BR

“ Hello to Zonnie and the Family,
Take your rest Mother Bunch.
Blessed are those who mourn,
For they shall be comforted.
Matthew 5:4 (NKJ)
Love, Barnett and Dan Roundy

Barnett Roundy - January 01, 2022 at 01:03 AM

MA

“ I met the Bunch family thru Ida Butkus from the time I met them all. I became part of their family. Granny treated me like I was her own child. I always spoke and she listened and always gave me the best advice. I will miss you but I know you will be watching over me. I won't tell you what she would call me lol but am your Puerto Rican daughter. Love you to the moon and back.

maria - December 30, 2021 at 10:38 PM



“ Mother was Mother to EVERYONE!!!! I don't care who you were, where you'd been, and what you'd done in your life. She's been a part of my life so long I don't remember life without her lol!!! When my son was born I had no idea how to care for a newborn so it was she who provided the guidance while getting her laughs and jokes in on me at the same time lol!!! Mother had a wonderful sense of humor



Carmela Wimberly - December 30, 2021 at 11:52 AM

ET

My wonderful aunt, she will truly be missed. I will miss calling her and she calling me.

Elsie Toney - January 02, 2022 at 04:44 PM

TG

“ Mrs. Bunch, “Grandma Bunch” as we all affectionately called her was a dear sweet soul and she will always be remembered and hold a special place in my heart. After all, how could you not thank God for and fall in love with someone who embraced and loved your child as her very own. Indeed Grandma Bunch will be missed. Our deepest condolences to the Bunch Family.

Hugs & Prayers,

Tonya Goodwin & Family

Tonya Goodwin - December 30, 2021 at 09:36 AM

PS

“As her Pastor, along with my wife First Lady Vanessa Davis, "Momma Bunch" as we affectionally called her, was one of the brightest parts of our lives and church family. She treated us like her own children and we felt nothing but love emanating from her heart to ours. Her children are like our own brothers and sisters. And they always included us in on Momma's celebrations where we ate, drank and danced until we got tired. I was surprised that Momma could actually (cut a rug), the old way of saying someone can really dance! :-)

We shared lots of laughter, personal conversations and worshipped together with joy, and she never came late. She was such a student of the Bible and oftentimes told me, "Pastor, you show nuff preached today!"

One day I was in the neighborhood and decided to drop by to see her. We sat on the porch talking for a long time and laughing ourselves silly! That was one on my most memorable moments with her. After I left, she called my wife and said, "My Pastor came to see me and we sat and talked for a long time! I didn't know that he was so down to earth like that!"

During her difficult times of losing three precious sons, we were there to listen, console and cry with her, and remained by her side until much of the sorrow had passed. But we know, it never really completely subsided. She simply moved on with her hand in God's hand and continued to experience the joy of the Lord with her other children and grands.

When her health began to fail, her faith in God and love for her family did not. Although she didn't want to leave, Momma made it clear to me, without a doubt where she was going. And now she is there, in the presence of the Lord and reuniting with those who had preceded her. She lived a FULL life and modeled how to live a life in the Lord.

To the Bunch family, thanks for sharing her with the world! Our lives have been greatly enriched because Freddie Mae Bunch was in it. Now, she will forever be in our hearts. I can't wait to see her again, so we can finish our conversation from the porch, in her eternal mansion!

Pastor DeWayne F. Davis Sr. and First Lady Vanessa

Pastor DeWayne F. Davis Sr. - December 30, 2021 at 08:10 AM

IB

“ *When I 1st met Freddie Mae I was 22 and in love with her oldest son. As time pass I got to know her very well what a sweet lady she were . As time passed she treated me like One of her kids. Over the years when my mom passed I Thought of Freddie Mae like my mom, I know you guys are in heaven together love you both to the moon and back.*

Ida Butkus - December 30, 2021 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ *My sympathy and condolences to the Bunch family. Sister Bunch and I spoke by phone every week or two, since I relocated to Georgia 5 years ago. I miss her so much already. She was so blessed to have such wonderful, caring children. May God bless, comfort, and strengthen them now, and in the days ahead.*

Shirley Lucas - December 29, 2021 at 10:57 PM

OM

“ Aunt Freddie Mae was one of my favorite aunts. She always had a smile and a funny story to tell you. She has fought the good fight and is now home with her Lord and Saviour. Bertha, Ossie, Margaret, Edward (bebe) and Michael will miss her dearly. On behalf of my family (The late Edward and Laura Bunche) I extend my deepest sympathy. I got the opportunity to speak with Aunt Freddie Mae often. Her body was dying, and God saw fit to call her home. God personally met and welcomed her home when she departed this earth. Family, be encouraged and live a life that will make her proud. The best tribute you can give to her now is to live for God.

Love you all,
Ossie Bunche-Maxwell of Little Rock, AR.

Ossie Shelton Maxwell - December 29, 2021 at 10:17 PM

SG

“ Freddie Mae, Freddie Mae, Freddie Mae, what can I say????
I miss you every day.
My heart is truly broken, because with you, I have not spoken.
However, I am rejoicing knowing that all pain has ceased.
You are with the Lord and now at peace.

Sandra Glover - December 29, 2021 at 07:34 PM

LB

“ I was beyond blessed to have one Mae in my life! I hit the jackpot when you became a part of the fabric of my life almost 50 yrs ago!!! I have loved you for as long as I can remember... And I will love you for the rest of my life!!! Showing you how to send text messages will definitely be a part of the highlight reel of my life! I recall Donna wondering why her cell phone bill increased all of a sudden and she soon realized it was because of you sending text, which were NOT a part of your plan! LOL... Well it got added and now I cherish over 10 yrs of messages with you! I read them often now as they still crack me up! Hamilton talked about the ‘room’ where it happens! Well, he must not know about you as EVERYWHERE you were was where it was happening! You were bigger than life and people just gravitated towards you! Thinking about the tea cakes and cobblers I will never enjoy again, I swear I’ve lost 10 lbs!!! And I can hear you saying “Yeah, right!” I had the nerve to say once that my homemade ice cream tasted JUST LIKE YOURS... And you were quick to call me after Zonnie brought it to you saying “Almost, but not quite! Keep practicing...” and then you chuckled! I will cherish that voicemail forever... You were a beautiful, strong, funny, fearless woman and I will miss you always!!!

Lisa Beasley - December 29, 2021 at 06:29 PM

CB

“ Grandma Freddie, a definition of a strong woman. She has many talents a cook, a baker, a fighter, a therapist, a doctor and a professional card shark. Grandma Freddie Naomi and I are going to miss you so much. Tell dad i said hi.



Carl Bunch - December 29, 2021 at 04:25 PM

ES

I, Evon Banks Sheppard, knew Ms. Bunch when her children were yet in elementary school. Ms. Bunch was highly thought of by all of the teachers at the elementary school level(Ethan Allen and Gladstone. She was so highly thought of by the nine different teachers that had her children that one teacher at a meeting stated that no matter which teacher had one of the Bunch children they ALL came to school to learn.

It has been years since I spoke to her; but I kept up with her thru her daughter Donna.

God has brought home. another one of His angels. I hope to see you again one day.

Evon Banks Sheppare

Evon Banks Sheppard - December 30, 2021 at 09:33 AM

GM

Well i have God to thank for blessing me with Muh! She was not only my extended Grandma also my Friend who i told just about anything.. She protected me,always laughed with me and also corrected me! That Beautiful Woman Loved me&I'm eternally grateful forever! The memories we shared is priceless.. Rest Peacefully Muh.. Yours Truly Gerald or as you would say Jewel

Gerald McGhee - December 30, 2021 at 11:34 AM

AB

“ *Grandma had a witty sense of humor and would check you real quick if you got out of line. When I would go to the store for her, she would try to pay me. I said “grandma you don’t have to pay me for anything, we’re friends”. She said “we are NOT friends”. I learned my lesson that day. She continued to treat me like we were good friends and I never accepted her money for running her errands. Her kids treated her like a queen and they comforted her up until the very end. She left a legacy behind that we will carry forward. She will surely be missed.*

Alicia Bunch - December 29, 2021 at 02:41 PM

LD

“ To My Cousins: I'm praying for your strength during this trying time. May the precious memories that you created with "Fred" will bring smiles, laughter and help in relieving the pain.

Lula Dixon

Lula Dixon - December 29, 2021 at 02:22 PM

AB

“ I Thank God For You Mother, You were definitely a Woman OF God & My Best Friend. Any questions I had you definitely had a answer. I loved your wisdom that's why I stayed under you and the best gift you gave me and that was introducing me to Christ. But God seen best. I want to Thank My Mom Cecial, aunties and uncle's for showing us the grandkids how to love on your parents. Granny wants and her need(s) were definitely met. Thanks to you all; Thank you, Thank you, Thank you. You all have done a wonderful job And I LOVE YOU ALL Even More for that. Love Angie.

Antoinette Bunch-Hughes - December 28, 2021 at 07:55 PM

CB

“ Freddie Mae Bunch my mother was a popular woman. She had phones almost in every room of her house and didn't want to miss any calls. She was a woman who could do math in her head while I was still counting on my fingers. One day I was over and she wasn't feeling well, and she stated I love y'all. we love you too. A thank you to her servants Wayne and Zonnie. So rest mugh with all love...
Cecial

Cecial Bunch - December 28, 2021 at 06:58 PM

TB

“ I love my Granny! Even when I thought she wasn't watching, and never did I have a doubt, she most definitely was! I remember getting calls throughout high school and the summers before, of her just checking in! She'd call my pawpaw Johnny and then he'd put us on the phone with her. She never failed to express her love and for that I am forever grateful!



Taijee Bunch - December 28, 2021 at 05:57 PM

CG

“ A loving Mother, A loving Aunt, A loving Friend to many. Full of energy. Always there to inspire, uplifting knowing all the puzzle pieces of my life. Such a strong Woman who has gone through her own adversities and yet she still had room to uplift, inspire and make you laugh through it all. I will miss you Aunt Freddie and our conversations. I kept telling her. that I'm coming to Chicago to see her. Time waits on no one, Time runs out. I'm very saddened. Rest in Peace Aunt Freddie Mae until we meet again and I will see you again. Your loving Niese Carolyn L. Green-Bunche

Carolyn L. Green-Bunche - December 28, 2021 at 02:58 PM

RB

“ Rita Bunch lit a candle in memory of Ms. Freddie Mae Bunch



Rita Bunch - December 28, 2021 at 01:42 PM

RB

My dearest Mother in law! You were the truest, dearest mother in law one could have asked for. I call you a friend, advisor, and also a Mother. You were a precious gift from God, so much wisdom, grace, beauty, love, and patience you possessed. I will hold dear to the me the conversations and wisdom you shared with me through the years. I ❤️ you QUEEN! ALWAYS AND FOREVER!

Rita Bunch - December 28, 2021 at 01:47 PM

PS

“LADY OF ELEGANCE!!”... TRULY WILL MISSED!!❤️❤️❤️

Penelope/James Shepherd - December 28, 2021 at 01:23 PM

LR

“Just an amazing Woman. She will be greatly missed. A GIANT..



Lloyd Rogers - December 28, 2021 at 12:06 PM

RB

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Rita Bunch - December 28, 2021 at 01:33 PM

MM

“ Because of the precious memories, Those we love don't go away. They walk bedside us everyday - unseen unheard but always near. So loved, so missed, so very dear. Freddie Mae was a dear friend and a heaven-sent Gift, that fit perfectly in the lives of many. Thank You Family for sharing her with us.
Mildred Marshall and Family

Mildred Marshall - December 28, 2021 at 11:32 AM

MW

Bunch family you all had a strong person in your life. she was a precious jewel to me. we fuss about my sending her cards I told her it was my ministry and I value her friendship more than a postage stamp. will miss our weekly chat. Maxine ware.

Maxine ware - December 29, 2021 at 06:31 PM

SM

“ Mother Bunch will be greatly missed but her warmth, kindness, and gentle spirit will be remembered forever. There are no good byes for me. Wherever you are you will always be in my heart. Love you.
Sandra

Sandra McCurry - December 28, 2021 at 10:34 AM

JP

“ A woman with lots of energy and was fun to be around. She made a meal that almost killed me. (I ate way too much) when I say she could cook, this woman was on top of her game. I learned to play pitypat when I visited and lost a lot of quarters to her. LOL. She made an impression on everyone she met. She will truly be missed. GOD please be with this family and hold them close.

Jacqueline Powell - December 28, 2021 at 07:38 AM

MC

“ This woman right here was very special with a big heart she opened up to a lot of people. We be sitting on the porch horn's hucking she wanting , who is that , that's Wayne friend, that's so and so people walking by stop and talk, phone ringing she was well loved with her witty smart mouth which Zonnie inherited. I said one day my pants to tight I got to lose some weight she said naw if you buy them two size bigger they'll fit. I'm going to miss you my buddy my friend. Meeting Donna I met Bunch I called her thank you to her family for sharing her ❤️

Mary Catchings - December 28, 2021 at 03:07 AM

RH

“ Freddie Mae Bunch, whom I call Mama Brunch was a warm and loving person to me and my husband, they would always joke about having a drink and eating a bologna sandwich. He would say buddie did you leave me a corner and she would say no I drunk it all and he would say did you burn my sandwich a little bit that make it taste better, and we would laugh They loved talking about the olds days growing up in the south . We will truly miss her, rest on my friend in the arms off our savior

Ruthie Harrington - December 27, 2021 at 10:48 PM

MS

Freddie Mae bunch you will always hold a special place in my heart I thought of you like you were my mom you would truly be missed especially your little jokes I thank God for allowing me in your presence in my life rest in peace my deepest condolence to the bunch family may God be your strength in your time of Sorrow in Jesus mighty name

Melissa strode - December 27, 2021 at 11:26 PM

TB

“ Mac I am going to miss everything about you. I love you and I thank God for blessing my life with a mother in love like you. I admire the strength you've shown through all of the adversities that life threw at you. You are amazing beyond words. God loved you so much that He chose you to come home just in time for Jesus birthday party. He only choose a special people for that party. Please hug Goldie for me. Until we meet again. Forever in my heart.



Tosha

Tosha Bunch - December 27, 2021 at 10:02 PM