



Janie Mae Harris

September 16, 1943 - April 27, 2026

Janie Mae Harris was born on September 16, 1943, to John Wesley and Henrietta Hills in Kentwood, Louisiana.

Janie met Lemor James Sr. (L.M. James) in 1960, and they were married in 1961. Shortly thereafter, she moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma, where she spent much of her young adult life. From this union, Janie and Lemor welcomed three children: Janice James, Michael James, and Lemor James Jr.

She later married Eophus Graves in 1972, and through that marriage, she gained a bonus daughter, Angela Graves.

On May 19, 1984, Janie married her late husband, Nathaniel Harris. Knowing it was time to return home, Janie moved back to her family property to begin a new chapter in her life.

In 1985, Janie and Nathaniel joined Big Creek A.M.E. Church, where she faithfully served in numerous roles including Sunday School Teacher, Sunday School Superintendent, Communion Steward, Sunday School Treasurer, and Financial Secretary.

Janie found great joy in cooking, baking, feeding others, spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and listening to Lionel Richie.

She was preceded in death by her mother and father, three sisters, one brother, and her beloved husband, Nathaniel Harris.

Janie leaves to cherish her precious memories her children: Janice James, Michael James, Lemor James Jr., and Angela Graves.

She also leaves behind her cherished grandchildren: Anthony James, Kathy

James, Jeremy James, LaKesha James, Donnell Thomas, Michael Thomas, David Thomas, Tashanna Kazerooni, Timothy Graves, and Gerald Warford Jr., along with a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, extended family members, and friends.

She is also survived by her siblings, Emma Wilson and Yvonne Hills.

Previous Events

Service

MAY 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

Cross Memorial Funeral Home - Amite
60100 W Way Drive
Amite, LA 70422
(985) 748-7199
<https://www.crossmemorialfuneralhome.com/>

Tribute Wall

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