



## Ernestine Bradberry Bentley

September 10, 1920 - March 3, 2016

Bentley, Ernestine Bradberry, age 95, of Wilsonville, went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, March 3, 2016. Ernestine was the daughter of Ernest Wesley and Zadie Ray Bradberry of Chelsea, AL. She married Waymon J. Bentley on September 1, 1938. She was preceded in death by her husband, Waymon; brothers, JC Bradberry, Donald Wayne Bradberry, LP Bradberry, Roland Bradberry, Rudolph Bradberry and a grandson, Brian Bentley.

She is survived by her sisters, Ovelle Bradberry Rasco of Tarrant, AL, Mary Bradberry Martin of Tyler, TX; children, Diane B. Ellis (Butch) of Columbiana, AL, Larry L. Bentley (Connie) of Columbiana, Sylvia B. McDonald (Tommy) of Wilsonville, AL; grandchildren, Kelly Ellis Davis (Jonathon), Christy Ellis Brasher (Virgil), Frank Corley Ellis III (Julie), Rachel Bentley, Keith Bentley (Charlsie), Shannon McDonald Clark (Danny), Dylan T. McDonald; 10 great grandchildren and a multitude of nieces, nephews and friends.

She was a life-long member of Lesters Chapel United Methodist Church. Early in her life, she worked alongside her husband, Waymon, in various business ventures. From 1964 – 1981, she was employed by Elastic Corporation of America in Columbiana, AL. After her retirement from ECA, she became an invaluable support person for her growing flock of grandchildren and great grandchildren, an avid gardener and a faithful prayer warrior for friends and family. Hardly a Sunday would pass at Lesters Chapel without Ernestine

adding concerns to the prayer list. She also loved to travel. A faithful caregiver all her life, the last 10 months of her life were blessed by the homecare of her 2 daughters, 3 granddaughters and the phenomenal care of New Beacon Hospice.

The funeral service will be held at 3:00 p.m., Saturday, March 5, 2016 at Lesters Chapel United Methodist Church. Burial will follow in Hubbard Cemetery. Visitation will be from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., Saturday, March 5, 2016 at the church. Bolton Funeral Home is directing.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Lesters Chapel United Methodist Church. Please sign online condolences at [www.boltonfuneralhome.com](http://www.boltonfuneralhome.com).

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Prayers for all. She has joined the others with no more pain and suffering. Happiness forever now. She will be missed by many. Love to all.

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**Carol Lucas** - March 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MN

“ Our prayers go with the family. Mrs. Bentley was a great friend to our mother.

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**Mike and Peggy Nivens** - March 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Praying for God's peace and comfort to cover the family.

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**Jason and Terry Bentley** - March 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ Earnestine will live on in my memories, but I know she is in a better place hugging all our love ones.

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**Connie Pollard** - March 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ JUST PRINTED A PHOTO OF OVELLE VICK VANDEGRIFT, HAROLD VICK AND ERNESTINE BENTLEY DATED 6/8/80 AT THE RAY FAMILY CEMETERY REUNION. OVELLE AND MY SISTER, GAYNELL VANDEGRIFT DAVIS ARE BURIED NEXT TO GRANDMA MINNIE AND GRANDPA ALBERT VICK. MINNIE WAS THE OLDEST OF THE BENTLEY CHILDREN.

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**CONNIE VANDEGRIFT POLLARD** - March 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *What a precious woman of God! Praying for His comforting arms to surround you all during this time. Linda Bradley Brasher*

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March 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Ernestine Bradberry Bentley*

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**Hollis and Dean Benson** - March 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *So sorry about your mother praying for you and your family.*

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**Billie Ann Usry** - March 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *God leads us down a path while holding His hand. I can only imagine the beauty Mrs. Bentley is seeing as she holds the Master's Hands right now! We pray for peace, comfort and rejoicing over another Angel in Heaven now! God Bless!*

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**Melissa Bentley** - March 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM