



Iris V Bailey

December 10, 1923 - July 17, 2022

To Everything There Is A Season,
And A Time to Every Purpose Under The Heaven...
Ecclesiastes 3:1

Iris Vivian, born December 10, 1923, in Chicago, Illinois, was Jessie James McCracklin and Pearl Beatrice Whitley's 5th and youngest daughter, with three brothers born after her. Perhaps her birth position in the family contributed to her feistiness, called "spunk" in her day, her unique sense of humor, and her strength as a woman.

However, the real source of Iris' strength was God's presence in her life. She joined the Apostolic Pentecostal Church of Morgan Park in the early 1950s and she was a devoted church goer in Chicago and later in Los Angeles, rarely missing church on Sundays in over 60 years. She was a steadfast believer in God and in his Word, and prayed unceasingly all of her life.

She graduated from Christian Fenger High School in Chicago in 1941. Later, she worked for the Social Security Board, and as a crossing guard for the Chicago Police Department. In Los Angeles, she worked a short time for the Selective Service Board, and then with Los Angeles County DPSS, as an Eligibility Worker, where she retired after 24 years.

"I've always liked libraries and I like to listen to children read." This quote by Iris was published in an article in the Los Angeles Sentinel, February 9, 1989. For several years after she retired, Iris volunteered at the Angeles Mesa Library as part of a reading enhancement program for children, where children read to seniors and seniors read to children. She supported her community 110% preferring not going outside of her community to shop or for services. When events were held at Leimert Park Square, Baldwin Hills Mall or Angeles Mesa Park, she was there front and center.

What some people may not have known about Iris Vivian is not only was she a faithful tither, after she retired she gave very generously to many and varied charities. 2

Corinthians 9:6-8 talks about giving. Iris embodied these scriptures as she was a cheerful giver, God's grace certainly abounded in her life, and she had sufficiency in all things... as it pertained to her life.

Iris was divorced and with God's grace she raised her children primarily by herself. And, while youngsters, all of her children went to church with her every Sunday.

Iris is preceded in death by her parents, her seven siblings, her sons Dion and David, and her grandson Vincent Thomas. She is survived by her daughters Eunice and Teena (Phillip), sons Bruce and Kyle (Desiree), and her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Iris Vivian now Rests in Peace

Cemetery Details

Green Hills Memorial Park

27501 S. Western Ave.
Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275

Previous Events

Viewing

AUG 10. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (PT)

Green Hills Memorial Park

Funeral Ceremony

AUG 10. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM.

Green Hills Chapel

Graveside Service

AUG 10.

Green Hills Memorial Park

Tribute Wall

BG

“ A card sent on 12-10-22, for what would have been her 99th birthday—
Dear Ma, despite my tears, I smile. I know you are resting in peace. I celebrate
your life and legacy. I thank God I was able to be a part of it. You brought joy,
laughter, wit, and charm to those around you. My great 98, I love you. Capriccia

Beloved Great Granddaughter - May 11, 2023 at 12:09 PM

BG

Capriccia is Iris' great granddaughter.

Beloved Great Granddaughter - May 11, 2023 at 12:13 PM

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“ Iris said, “When you are Truly Blessed you are able to see how the ups and
downs and the good and bad, in your life, show you how extraordinary life really
is. I have been Truly Blessed.”

One Who Will Never Forget Iris - May 11, 2023 at 10:16 AM

GL

“ Aunt Iris now joins all the rest of her sisters and brothers, closing the door on that
generation of our family. She was my fiery aunt, my shero. Love you Aunt Iris.
My deepest condolences to cousins Eunice, Bruce, and Kyle.

Geri E. Lloyd - August 16, 2022 at 10:01 AM

PC

“ Pearl Chustz sent a virtual gift in memory of Iris V Bailey



Pearl Chustz - August 12, 2022 at 12:42 AM

MH

“ To the entire Bailey Family we continue to pray and ask the
Lord God to give you all the strength in love and in life's
life's moments in honoring the life of our dearly departed
Iris Bailey a Mother Grandmother and friend that is truly
missed Lord bless you all in these moments and always 🙏

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Michael Harrison - August 10, 2022 at 02:35 PM