



## Mrs. Ora Marvienne Keeton

May 24, 1934 - October 6, 2020

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The previously scheduled OMEGA Service has been cancelled.

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Ora Marvienne Keeton started her journey on this earth on May 24, 1934 and transitioned home on October 6, 2020. Ora was born in Oklahoma City to

Oscar and Rosie Jenkins and was the oldest of six siblings. Her siblings include sister, Rose Marilyn Brown and brothers, Zelbert Jenkins, Willard Jenkins, Oscar Jenkins and Walter Jenkins. Ora married Paul Vaughn Keeton in 1956 and they had two children, Martica Davis and Paul Vaughn Keeton, Jr.

Ora has numerous grandchildren including Aja Marvienne Davis, Debreon Davis, Talon Davis, Lauren Keeton and Paul Vaughn Keeton, III. And Great Grandchildren, Madison Asrelsky-Davis, Mason Asrelsky-Davis and Aurelia Davis.

Mrs. Keeton was a bright shining light in the world of music and education in Oklahoma City. She served in her church community at St John Missionary Baptist Church, was active in many community organizations including the Ambassadors Concert Choir, the Ambassador's Children/Youth Choir, the OKC Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta, and was a teacher in Oklahoma City Public Schools.

Her commitment to loving and serving children will live on for generations to come.

# Cemetery Details

## Trice Hill Cemetery

5101 N. Coltrane  
Oklahoma City, OK 73121

# Previous Events

## Service

OCT **12**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Rolfe Memorial Chapel  
2936 N.E. 36th Street  
Oklahoma City, OK 73111

# Tribute Wall

PS

“ Mrs. Keeton was my fourth grade teacher at Creston Hills Elementary and she was the best teacher I ever had. She allowed me to operate the movie projector and work in the cafeteria. She was just the best. She may have been a little partial to me because my name is the same as her husband’s and son.

*My deepest condolences to Martica and Paul Jr.  
Sincerely,  
Paul Sanders*

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**Paul Sanders** - October 26, 2020 at 01:08 PM

DG

“ Debra Glover lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ora Marvienne Keeton



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**Debra Glover** - October 18, 2020 at 01:23 PM

BN

“ Betty Noakes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ora Marvienne Keeton



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**Betty Noakes** - October 13, 2020 at 01:07 AM

LH

“ I thank God for Mrs, Ora Marvienne Keeton has who has been an excellent educator, an inspiration to me, my mentor, and has served as a role model for her music students and me  
She taught me discipline, different performance skills, to be professional at all times, to persevere and be proficient in my music skills. I felt blessed to be able to work alone side her at Crescent Hills Elementary School in the music department, preparing a Christmas Musical Production and then carrying on the tradition after she retired. This training made it possible for me to do other Musical Productions at my assigned schools.  
Most importantly, I deemed it an honor an privilege to have her as guest organist and play "The Wedding March" at my wedding.  
To the family, my deepest condolences. May the Lord strengthen and give comfort to you during your grief. Mrs. Keeton's Legacy will go on for years and years to come.

Love

Linda Nichols - Harrell

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Linda Harrell - October 12, 2020 at 03:39 PM

MJ

God bless the family. She will be greatly missed

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Myra Jones - October 14, 2020 at 08:35 AM



Cassandra  
Bennett

“ ORA MARVIENNE KEETON R.I.P.

*WHAT CAN I SAY INTRIBUTE TO A MASTER MUSIC TEACHER WHOSE LIFE TOUCHED MANY IN THIS CITY AND ABROAD!?*

*I CAN SAY THAT MY MOTHER STARTED ME OUT AT 8 YEARS OLD TAKING PIANO LESSONS FROM HER UNTIL I FINISHED HIGH SCHOOL... I BECAME AN ASSISTANT PIANO TEACHER WITH HER AS SHE TAUGHT AS MANY AS 30 CHILDREN AT ONE TIME IN HER HOME.*

*SHE PLAYED ALL KINDS OF INSTRUMENTS BUT SHE WAS A MASTER ORGANIST WHO TAUGHT ME HOW TO PLAY THE PIANO AND THE TOE-HEEL METHOD ON THE ORGAN PEDALS IN WHICH I MASTERED THE HALLELUJAH CHORUS.*

*IF YOU DIDN'T PRACTICE SHE HAD SOME "CHOICE WORDS FOR YOU UNTIL YOU GOT IT RIGHT....lol*

*...MRS. ORA MARVIENNE KEETON DIDN'T PLAY!(followed by 3 snaps..😊 )*

*SHE WAS A WOMAN WHO WAS VERY FIRM BUT DOWN TO EARTH AND COULD TELL YOU WITHOUT SUGAR COATING WHAT SHE WANTED TO SAY . I WILL NEVER FORGET ALL OF THE MEMORIES SHARED WITH HER FROM DOING THE FUNKY CHICKEN AND THE PENGUIN IN THE JABBERWOCK PAGEANT TO FINISHING MY SENIOR RECITAL BEFORE I WENT TO LANGSTON UNIVERSITY AND MAJORED IN MUSIC*

*IT IS BECAUSE OF ORA MARVIENNE KEETON THAT I TAUGHT 21 YEARS IN OKLAHOMA CITY AND WASHINGTON DC PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND WAS A SPECIAL GUEST AT THE WHITE HOUSE BECAUSE OF WHAT SHE TAUGHT ME*

*...BECAUSE OF HER INFLUENCE I WENT ON TO LANGSTON UNIVERSITY AND RECEIVED A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN MUSIC EDUCATION AND LATER CONTINUED TO WASHINGTON DC TO OBTAIN MY MASTER'S DEGREE IN EDUCATION AND*

*CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT*

*...I ALSO TAUGHT AT DOUGLAS HIGH SCHOOL HERE IN OKLAHOMA CITY OKLAHOMA AND WAS AWARDED TEACHER OF THE YEAR BY DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY BECAUSE OF WHAT SHE TAUGHT ME*

*...I WAS ABLE TO CONDUCT THE PAN-AMERICAN AFRICAN CHOIR IN GHANA AFRICA AND PLAY FOR THEM THE BLACK NATIONAL ANTHEM BECAUSE OF WHAT SHE TAUGHT ME*

*...I WAS ABLE TO OPEN MY OWN MUSIC SCHOOL FOR SEVERAL YEARS CALLED INSTRUMENTS OF PRAISE MUSIC INSTITUTE TEACHING PIANO IN THEORY BECAUSE OF WHAT SHE TAUGHT ME*

*... IT WAS THIS WOMAN WHO SAID IF I WAS EVER IN TROUBLE HER HOME WAS OPEN FOR ME TO FIND REFUGE. THE LAST TIME I SPOKE WITH HER SHE ALWAYS TOLD ME HOW PROUD SHE WAS OF ME AND I ALWAYS NEVER FELT I MEASURED UP...SHE WASN'T HAVING THAT!*

*...A GREAT SOLDIER HAS GONE ON TO BE WITH THE LORD. SHE HAS TAUGHT MANY AND I'M GLAD I AM ONE OF THEM AND SHALL BE ETERNALLY GRATEFUL FOR THE LORD FOR WHAT SHE POURED INTO MY LIFE!*

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**Cassandra Bennett** - October 12, 2020 at 08:09 AM

SD

*“ From your Creston Hills Davis family  
May you rest in peace thanks guys for allowing your mom to be a learning instructor to us all*

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**Susan Davis-Mccoy** - October 11, 2020 at 01:28 PM

CB

“ ORA M. KEETON REST IN TOTAL PEACE. YOU TAUGHT MANY THE GIFT OF MUSIC. I AS YOUR FORMER STUDENT AM ETERNALLY GRATEFUL.  
REST WELL MAESTRO! CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY!



Cassie Bennett - October 11, 2020 at 05:41 AM

GW

“ Gwendolyn Wallace lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ora Marvienne Keeton



Gwendolyn Wallace - October 11, 2020 at 01:29 AM

GW

*My sincere condolences to the Keeton family. Praying that God will grant you strength in the days ahead.*

Gwendolyn Wallace - October 11, 2020 at 01:31 AM

CB

“ PRAYING FOR THE KEETON AND DAVIS FAMILY  
FROM YOUR FORMER STIDENT  
CASSANDRA "CASSIE" BENNETT



Cassie Bennett - October 10, 2020 at 02:01 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ora Marvienne Keeton.*



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October 10, 2020 at 08:28 AM



“ *There are no words to express our utmost respect, admiration, and love for our beloved Aunt Marvienne. She was truly one of a kind, and her incredible talents and gifts will be missed and cherished by all. Our hearts are with Paul and Marty and their families and the rest of the family during this time as well.*

*With all of our love, your Keeton nephews and niece and our families...*

*Rudy, Patrick, Brent, and Karla.*

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**KARLA SCOTT** - October 10, 2020 at 12:14 AM



“ *My deepest condolences to the Keeton Family. My prayers are ongoing. She touched so many hearts and her spirit will live on in many forever.*



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**Patricia Hamlin** - October 09, 2020 at 10:32 PM



*We are so sorry for your loss.*

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**Barbara & Barry Asrelsky** - October 11, 2020 at 12:14 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ora Marvienne Keeton.*



October 09, 2020 at 09:34 PM



“ *Our deepest condolences to the Keeton Family. Mrs. Ora M. Keeton was great Christian woman, wife, mother, aunt, grand and great mother. She will be missed by all of St John family.*



**Ruth Green & Family** - October 09, 2020 at 09:09 PM



“ *Ours prayers and condolences go out to the Keeton family.*



**Diana & DeSota Bell** - October 09, 2020 at 08:01 PM



*My deepest sympathy to the family of Ora Marvienne Keeton.*  
*Juanita Perry*

**Juanita Perry** - October 09, 2020 at 09:16 PM

JD

*Rest In Peace Mrs. Keeton you loved all Children and encouraged them to strive for their greatness. You showed so much love to my children Craig and Diane and I will be forever grateful to you. To Marty, Daryl, Paul, Cindy and my Choir Babies Aja, Debreon, Talon, Lauren And Paul III, Thank you for sharing her with so many. You will all be forever in my Prays and my heart.*

**Jana Dugar** - October 12, 2020 at 08:39 PM

CC

“ *Carol & Carl, Angela & Chuck purchased the Delightful Dieffenbachia for the family of Mrs. Ora Marvienne Keeton.*



**Carol & Carl, Angela & Chuck** - October 09, 2020 at 05:42 PM

BC

“ *Marti,  
Thinking of you and all of your family. Know that thoughts, prayers and peace are being sent your way. She was a beautiful, inspirational and amazing lady!  
Love Ya!  
BC*

**Brenda Campbell** - October 09, 2020 at 01:08 PM

DM

“ *Debbie Striplin ,Renee Vickers and Susan McCoy purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Ora Marvienne Keeton.*



**Debbie Striplin ,Renee Vickers and Susan McCoy** - October 09, 2020 at 10:05 AM



“Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ora Marvienne Keeton.



October 09, 2020 at 08:06 AM



“The Steele family extends condolences and prayers to the family of Marvienne Keeton. May the blessings and comfort of God be with you now and in the days ahead.



Linda Steele-Brown - October 09, 2020 at 12:27 AM



“A Glance At The Past” - The Old St. John & Sis. Keeton  
 Reverend John Wesley Johnson, Pastor  
 Reverend Walter Kinsley Jackson, Pastor  
 Mrs. Levica Evans Johnson, Administrative Secretary  
 “What A Fellowship!”



Bro. C.J. & Family - October 08, 2020 at 10:53 PM



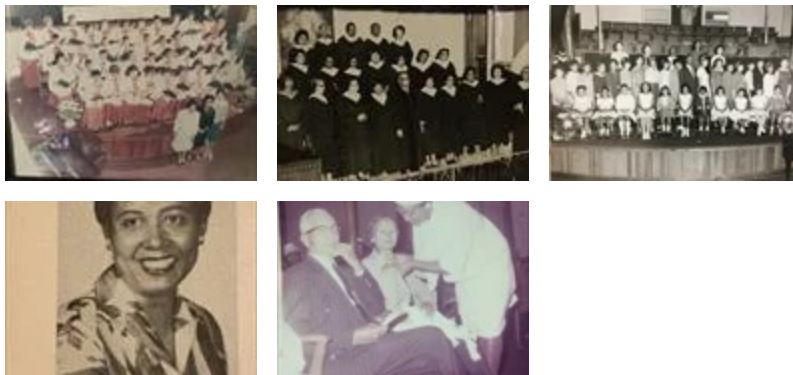
“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ora Marvienne Keeton.



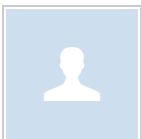
October 08, 2020 at 08:55 PM



“ St. John’s Baptist Church 801 East 2nd Street at Phillips Ave.  
 “Precious Memories”  
 May God Bless and Keep the Jenkins, Keeton, and Davis Families!  
 - Bro. C.J. & Family.



Bro. C.J. & Family - October 08, 2020 at 08:40 PM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ora Marvienne Keeton.



October 08, 2020 at 07:33 PM



“ *My sincerest condolences to the entire Keeton Family.*

*Mrs. Ora Marvienne Keeton changed my life and was one of the greatest and most decent person I knew. Thank you Mrs. Keeton for being a great Teacher and Choral Music Teacher. Prayers. Blessings. Peace.*

**Teresa Stewart-Spivey** - October 08, 2020 at 02:52 PM



“ *Condolences to the family!! Mrs Keeton taught "everyone." If not in public school, she taught us at church. What a Blessing to have known her and to be taught by her. She is/was a beautiful soul with plenty of umpf!!*



**Veola Bray** - October 08, 2020 at 02:45 PM



“ *Shar Onq sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Ora Marvienne Keeton*



**Shar Onq** - October 08, 2020 at 02:04 PM



“ *Sheryl And Brittani Hutton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ora Marvienne Keeton*



**Sheryl and Brittani Hutton** - October 08, 2020 at 01:30 PM

SH

*Thank you Mrs. Keeton and your family for being the person that you and specially being over the children's Ambassador choir where my daughter Brittani started at a young age and you took time with her took her voice and took it to a higher ground I can't thank you enough and I appreciate all that you've done for allow me to be one of the sponsors and I've loved you and this goes out to your family too. May God continue to hold your hand and I'm so sorry for the loss of your mother*

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**Sheryl and Brittani Hutton** - October 08, 2020 at 01:34 PM

KC

“ *My condolences! Much love to the Davis family!*



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**Keisha Cole** - October 08, 2020 at 01:09 PM

AS

“ *Adrien Stafford lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ora Marvienne Keeton*



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**Adrien Stafford** - October 08, 2020 at 10:27 AM

JH

“ *Mrs. Keeton taught me piano and organ for 7 years, she scared me, encouraged me and loved me as a student and as a child of God. She directed my son in children's choir and me in youth choir. I had just mentioned her in a conversation last week. Love you Mrs Keeton, prayers for the family.*

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**Jeanne Hardimon** - October 07, 2020 at 11:01 PM

JW

“ *My teacher, mom and friend all in one classroom, Love you now and forever*



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**Janice Ward** - October 07, 2020 at 06:39 PM

PF

“ *I don't even know where to begin. Of all the teachers that I have had during my life, Mrs. Keeton had the most direct impact. She started the Starlighters group at Creston Hills elementary. She was the first person to recognize my musical talents and gifts. I was a shy, introverted child who enjoyed being a part of the scenery. Mrs. Keeton wasn't having it. She saw my talents, gave me opportunities to lead songs (I was Sister Suffragette in the Mary Poppins Musical-which was a protest song) and was given the opportunity to mentor other elementary school children in music once I went on to Junior High School.*

*She also advocated for me when I was being treated unfairly by a white teacher in elementary school.*

*I also took piano and voice lessons from Mrs. Keeton. Many of the life lessons I learned are still relevant today.*

*A few years ago, I decided to try to find her to thank her. I was able to talk directly to her (I currently live in Minnesota). I sent her a copy of my album. I will always be grateful for having the opportunity to be taught and mentored her.*

*Sincerely,  
Patience (Sherman) Ferguson*

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**Patience Ferguson** - October 07, 2020 at 03:14 PM

LR

“ Mrs. Kenton was my sixth grade Teacher. She was an inspiration in my life at Creston Hills. May she rest in the Lord. Condolences to her family and friends. 🙏🙏🙏

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**Linda Royal** - October 07, 2020 at 01:57 PM

AF

“ Mrs. Keeton was the consummate professional, an accomplished musician, a great mentor to many (me included), and a extraordinary teacher. She was a former OKCPS District Teacher of the Year. RIP Mrs. Keeton.

*Andre' Francisco*

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**Andre M Francisco** - October 07, 2020 at 12:40 PM

VR

“ My condolences to the family. Awesome memories of her as she was my teacher at Creston Hills Elementary. Usually as a child you don't hold on to memories especially 6th grade. I remember the eraser throwing in her class when we opps💕 She was brilliant kind and most of all instilling to us as children. Rest peacefully as your work has been done. Helping those in Heaven now will always remember and love you💕🙏

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**Vera Lalani Rodgers-Turner** - October 07, 2020 at 11:41 AM

CP

“ Mrs Keeton was an integral part of the Pearson kids life at Creston Hills, we were in several musicals she produced, wore our lime green dresses and orange dresses with elephant arms proudly. Learned songs that I still remember the words to today and the love for Broadway musicals was embedded in us through her. She will always be remembered 😞. Gwen Pearson George, Beverly Franks, Adolph Pearson III & Cherie Pearson  
RIH Mrs Keeton ❤️

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**Cherie Pearson** - October 07, 2020 at 11:16 AM

CN

“ I truly loved and respected Mrs. Keeton. She tried her best to teach me how to play the piano but I was just not into it and could not learn. Being a singer there have been many times I wish I had put forth the effort and learned. She will be missed. My condolences to the family.



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**Cecilia Norwood** - October 07, 2020 at 10:36 AM

DS

“ Ms. Keeton will truly be missed by all. I had the privilege of being her student at Creston Hills in the 6th grade. Ms. Keeton loved all of her students and she didn't play with us But we knew it was out of LOVE. She loved each of us in her own way. We were her kids. Ms. Keeton was respected by her students and their parents. She touched a lot of lives and left some great memories for all of us. She embraced our talent by putting on plays, musical, and the pajama parties. She was the best teacher a girl could asked for. Keeping her kids Paul and Marty lifted up in prayer along with the rest of the family. R.I.H.

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**Debbie Striplin** - October 07, 2020 at 09:46 AM

TP

“ Miss Keeton is loved and will be truly missed by the Perry family. She was a real blessing to us. Thanks Keeton family for sharing her with us all 🥰



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**Tamique Perry** - October 07, 2020 at 08:34 AM

MF

“ Please except my deepest condolences. Mrs. Keeton was an awesome Lady and my sixth grade teacher to whom I loved dearly.. She Was A Queen.



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**Marsheila Fisher** - October 07, 2020 at 05:04 AM


 Ernest Eason

“ Ms. Keeton was my Guardian Angel at Creston Hills. She always came to my rescue. My step-father Otis Manuel moved us into the neighborhood where his cousin was teaching. My six grade year I was not allowed to make anything but “A” on assignment. She said I represented the family. She has been missed in my adult years except running into her at church and sometimes on her block. My prayers go out for the family. We will keep near to our heart so many memories until we meet again in glory!

*Ernest E Eason “Ernie”*

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**Ernest Eason** - October 07, 2020 at 04:01 AM



Shelia  
Louis

“ *She taught me in the 70s. I'd had another piano teacher prior to her, but she was the best. I still have music books with her markings in them. Her studio was in her home, but it also felt like a hangout for her young students because her home was very inviting. I'm very grateful for have been one of her students. My sincere condolences to Marty and Paul. May you be comforted with God's peace and grace during this time.*

*Sincerely,  
Shelia Mustin Louis*

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**Shelia Louis** - October 07, 2020 at 12:50 AM

KB

“ *Thanks for introducing me to piano & music in the 60's at St John on 2nd Street..Condolences to Marty and Paul ...*

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**Kim L Burge** - October 06, 2020 at 09:33 PM



*I am sorry for your loss, your family will be in my prayers. She was the best teacher I had . She was hard but she cared about us. Creston Hills ! RIP*

*Sandra Smith*

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**Sandy Smith** - October 07, 2020 at 07:40 AM

PB

*Mrs. Keeton was my teacher at Creston Hills in the 6th grade and years later of all the teachers, she taught beyond just school lessons, but lessons that would carry you through life. Thank you Mrs. Keeton. Ironic that I would be working with her son Paul many, many years later. Praying for you Paul and the entire Family that God will guide and bless you on the good and bad days.*

*Peggy Williams-Bates*

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**Peggy Bates** - October 07, 2020 at 01:57 PM

GE

*Mrs. Marvienne Keeton was all that and more!! She was my mentor, my piano and organ teacher, of which I also became one of her student teachers, and a great friend of my family, The Emmett's. She was also instrumental in me becoming a member of The Ambassador's Concert Choir. She was very loving but also very nonsensical when needed! Marty and Paul, it's been years, but know that you all are loved and your Mom is now resting peacefully with The Lord! Sending my condolences, love and hugs on behalf of The Emmett's, who are also resting in heaven and celebrating her homecoming!!*

*Gerri Lynn (Emmett) Evans*

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**Gerri L Evans** - October 08, 2020 at 11:38 AM

KC

*Marty and Paul Jr. The Keeton family has always been a part of the Davis family. Mrs Keeton graduated with my parents Aaron and Jewel Davis and I worked many years with her in VBS and she was always prepared and ready to help out not only with the music but anywhere I needed help. Her influence on the children of St John lives on. Praying for Gods comfort to the family*

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**Karen Craig** - October 08, 2020 at 12:16 PM