**The Obituary**

Freddie Griggs was born on August 8, 1914 in Parkin, Arkansas to the late Oliver and Merthy (Nun) Brown. She accepted Christ at an early age, had unwavering faith in God, and was a long time member of Calvary Missionary Baptist Church in Mount Clemens, Michigan.

On December 16, 1936, she was united in marriage to George Griggs. In 1941, they relocated to Mount Clemens, Michigan.

She worked for more than 50 years for the Floral Avenue Greenhouse Company, in Mount Clemens and retired in 1994.

She loved spending time with her family. Freddie was an excellent cook and made the best fried corn you’ve ever tasted. She also enjoyed listening to talk radio. Often, you would hear Martha Jean or Joe Mathis on the radio in her kitchen. She was an avid reader and also enjoyed quilting and crocheting. You could find her gardening, or on the dock fishing. She was a determined woman, which was evident in the fact that she learned to drive at the age of 50.

Although she had many nieces and nephews of her own, she was affectionately known throughout the community as "Aunt Freddie. Aunt Freddie had a huge heart and never turned anyone away who needed a place to stay or a meal to eat.

She was lovingly cared for by her daughter and son-in-law, Barbara and Marvin, while she resided at Lakepointe Senior Care the last six years of her life.

She was predeceased by her husband George Griggs of 50 years, sisters Lillie Martin, Earcie McDuffie, and Elizabeth Powell; brothers Willie Brown and Cliff Haskin. She is survived by her daughter Barbara Listenbee, son-in-law Marvin Listenbee, grandchildren, Brandi (Peter) Bossick, Tiffany T. Listenbee, Marvin (Melissa) Listenbee and three great-grandchildren. She also leaves to cherish her memory, nieces Essie Thacker and Mae Bell Bryant; nephew Roscoe Herring; step-daughter Mary Alice Still, and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

***Freddie’s Prayer***

*Dear Lord,*

*Help me to be your servant in the years to come.*

*I just want to please you Jesus.*

*Sometimes things seem hard,*

*Help me through it, and let me be humble.*

*You know my heart, You know what is before me.*

*You know my ins and my outs, in advance.*

*Let my last days be my best days.*

*I praise you Lord and thank you for all things.*

***In Jesus’ Name***

***Amen***

***Missing You Always***

*You never said I’m leaving*

*You never said Goodbye.*

*You were gone before we knew it*

*And only God knows why.*

*In life I loved you dearly*

*In death I love you still.*

*In my heart I hold a place*

*That on you can fill.*

*It broke my heart to lose you*

*But you didn’t go alone.*

*A part of me went with you*

*The day God took you home.*

***Love, Brandon***