

Acknowledgements

The family of Alva Mae Hurst is grateful for your expressions of love and kindness. We thank you for your prayers that continue to guide and support us at this time.



To send the family personal messages of condolence, please visit Alva's online webpage guestbook at www.terryfamilyfuneralhome.com

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In Loving Memory



Alva Mae Hurst

Sunrise
August 17, 1928

Sunset
June 30, 2021

Celebration of Life

Thursday, July 15, 2021 at 1:00 PM
Calvary Presbyterian Church
3516 NE 71st Ave., Portland, Oregon 97213
Officiating: Pastor Willie X. Hurst II

Alva Mae Simmons was born in Magnolia, Mississippi on August 17, 1928 to Ely Jerry (EJ) and Irecia Taylor Simmons. She attended school at Mogel Elementary and Rose Hill High School in Magnolia. She accepted Christ at an early age at Shady Grove Missionary Baptist Church in Osyka, Mississippi. There she served as a church secretary, usher and soloist.

In March of 1951, she married her childhood sweetheart, Leslie Henry Hurst, in Walthall County, Miss. Shortly thereafter they relocated to Portland, Oregon and had one child, Janet Perchell.

She continued her education and received a License Practical Nursing (LPN) degree and began working at St. Vincent's Hospital in March of 1954. She retired from St. Vincent's Hospital after 28 years of service.

Alva became a member of Mt. Olivet Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Reverend J.J. Clow and served there until God called her home. She sang in the Mt. Olivet choir and served in the Fellowship Circle, Older Adults Still in Service (OASIS), Life Group and was a church nurse. Other organizations include Fleur De Lis Club (secretary), Federation of Women and National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

Alva's hobbies included sewing, quilting, attending tea parties, baking cakes, pies and tea cakes, traveling and she loved to socialize with family and friends. Her smile could brighten a room; it was extremely contagious. She had a flair for fashion. Her choice of hats, clothes and shoes were the epidemic of being a virtuous Proverbs 31 woman.

Alva is survived by her daughter, Janet and granddaughter, Alysha Hurst, Houston, Texas; sister, Alma Banks, Houma, Louisiana; sister, Rosie Pendleton, Portland; brother-in-law, James Winfield, Amite, Louisiana and a host of nieces, nephews and friends. She is preceded in death by her husband, Leslie H.; parents, EJ and Irecia Simmons; brothers, Willie John and Curtis Simmons; sisters, Willie Mae Simmons Martin; Violetta Simmons Pittman; Delia Mae Simmons Pittman and Flora Lee Simmons Lewis.

Order of Service

Processional		Clergy & Family
Prayer of Comfort		Pastor Willie X Hurst II
Scripture Reading		
	Old Testament: Psalm 100: 5	Linda Hurst
	New Testament: John 11: 25-26	Pamela Gaines
Musical Selection	"Precious Lord"	Jeannie Wiggins
Acknowledgements		Betty Ivory
Remarks	(2 Minutes Please)	Family & Friends
Obituary Reading		La Shanda Hurst
Video Tribute		
Musical Selection	"It Is Well With My Soul"	Jeannie Wiggins
Eulogy		Pastor Edward Williams
Recessional	"Goin' Up Yonder"	Jeannie Wiggins

Please join the family for a repass at
 June Key Delta Community Center
 5940 N. Albina Ave, Portland, Oregon 97217
 Repass from 2:30—3:45 PM

Pallbearers

Maurice X. Haines	Dishaun Berry	Pastor Willie X Hurst II
Deacon James Justice	John Keller	Deacon Mike Steinbach

Honorary Pallbearers

Julius Hurst	James S. Hurst	Donald Pendleton Jr.
Steve Simmons	Andrew Banks	Ernest Banks Jr.