THE HOMECOMING SERVICE

Of

WILHELMENIA WHATLEY



Sunrise April 15, 1948 Sunset May 29, 2020

TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2020 AT 11:00 AM

Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church 4101 N. Main St., Dayton, OH 45405 Pastor Carlos Daniels, Officiating

Obituary

Wilhelmenia (Thompson) Whatley was born on April 15, 1943, in Mullins, SC, to the late Theodore Sr. and Inez (Graham) Thompson. Wilhelmenia was the last living relative of the eight siblings. Her siblings' names were Dora Lee Smith, Theodore Jr., Wallace, Walter, Samuel, Pearletha, and Adolph Thompson. Wilhelmenia better is known as (Mena) relocated to Long Island, NY, with her family, where she accepted Christ as her Lord and savior. Mena graduated from Bay Shore High School in the year of 1960. After relocating to Dayton, OH, in her early twenties she met and married the love of her life Archie Whatley Jr., in 1963.

She began her career in the mental health field at the Dayton Mental Health Center formally known as the Dayton State Hospital in 1969. For over thirty years she worked and retired from the mental health field where she impacted the lives of those blessed enough to have known her. In the year of 1986, Wilhelmenia joined Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church where she was an active member of her church community and remained hardworking up until her health began to decline. While at Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church she was the president of the Missionary Board where she implemented many programs such as gift-giving for the nursing home, the food basket, and the stay at home tea program. She was a pillar in the community and a very instrumental in developing the Vancouver drive block club. Wilhelmenia was a troop leader for the campfire girls

Mena was known to be "blessed by the best and highly favored". In such a small frame stood a wonderful God-fearing woman who demanded the respect she well deserved whenever she entered into any room. She was such a memorable woman who will never be forgotten. Her memory lives on through her descendants. Her fiery spirit lives within her family and friends. She leaves to cherish her memories her devoted husband of 56 years, three children Tonya, Dwayne, all of Dayton OH, and Lisa (Carl) of Fayetteville, NC her in-laws Evelyn Whatley and Donald Smith, both of Dayton OH, her five grandchildren: Carl Jr.(Zucet), Amber, Calvin (Je'Lesa), Carlisa (Matthew), and Rene and her four great-grandchildren Calell, Lee (deceased), Prince and Anala as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and a host of family and friends.



Processional	1	Ministers and Family
Old Testament		Psalm 23
New Testament		John 14:1-5
Prayer		Clergy
Musical Selection	Hymn/Solo	Sis. Linda Davis
Acknoledgment & Reso	lutions	Sis. Dawn Daniels
Obituary		Read Silently
Remarks		Dwayne Whatley
Musical Selection	"Bye & Bye"	RSMBC Choir
Eulogy	P	astor Carlos Daniels
Closing Prayer		Clergy
Recessional	Ministe	er, Family & Friends

PALLBEARERS

David Black Cedric Howard Carl McKenzie Jr. Calvin McKenzie Tony Moreland Malcolm Oglesby

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of Wilhelmenia Whatley wishes to express their sincere gratitude to the numerous relatives and friends, who were so kind and supportive during their time of bereavement. Your kindness and support will never be forgotten.

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing." 2 Timothy 4:7-8 (KJV)

Arrangements Entrusted to: H. H. Roberts Mortuary, Inc. 38 S. Gettysburg Avenue Dayton, Ohio 45417

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