

In Loving Memory of
Mary E. Williams



Sunrise
July 10, 1942

Sunset
June 9, 2017

Service

Saturday, July 8, 2017 - 3:00 p.m.

GRAYMONT CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

531 Graymont Avenue
North Birmingham, Alabama 35204

Reflections of Life

Mary Ellen Williams was born on July 10, 1942 to John and Esther Hightower in Birmingham, Alabama. She moved to Detroit, Michigan in 1964. She later met and married James Williams in 1973.

She was baptized as one of Jehovah's Witnesses in the summer of 1973 in Detroit. She attended the Dexter Congregation for 2 years and later moved back home to Birmingham and attended the Graymont Congregation for 40 faithful years. In April of 2015 she relocated to Jersey City, New Jersey. While living with her daughter and family she attended the Bergen Congregation.

Mary was known for cooking her famous chitlings, collard greens, potato salad and corn bread for family and friends.

Mary also had a way of making people laugh. If you were feeling down or depressed and you called Mary, you were guaranteed to be laughing and smiling so much that you would totally forget what you were sad about. Even teenagers and young adults enjoyed talking and being around her. When her Children's friends would come over to the house to visit them, they would end up sitting in the living room laughing with Mary for hours. She had an unique sense of humor that just drew people to her.

Mary was a generous and giving purpose. If you needed a ride somewhere or needed to go to the store, she would be right there to take you. She was also very particular about time. She took getting to her meetings on time very seriously. She was also the first person to pull up at Graymont Kingdom Hall's parking lot. When she got inside she had her same favorite seat she would sit in.

Mary was a Wonderful and Loving Mother who adored her children especially her grandsons who were her pride and joy.

Mary fell asleep in death on Friday, June 9, 2017. She will sorely and dearly missed.

Mary leaves to mourn and cherish her fond memories to her children: Jonte Williams, Sr. and Esther Kathleen Jenkins; one son-in-law, Shelton Jenkins, Sr.; grandsons, Jonte Williams, Jr., Jordan Williams and Shelton Jenkins, Jr.; one sister, Gloria (Sam) Edwards; two brothers, John (Lorraine) Hightower Jr. and George Hightower, seven nephews, five nieces and a host of other relatives and friends.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents, John and Esther Hightower, Sr. and two sisters, Hazel Hightower and Lela Bell Jones and one nephew.

Order of Service

Opening Song.....	134
Opening Prayer.....	James Shedrick
Memorial Disclosure.....	Raymond Redding
Reading of Obituary.....	Juan Edwards
Closing Song.....	151
Closing Prayer.....	Thomas Brooks



Song 151
He Will Call

(Job 14:13-15)

1.) Life, like a mist, appears for just a day.
Then disappears tomorrow. All that we are
can quickly fade away, Replaced with tears
and sorrow. If a man should die, can he live
again? Hear the promise God has made!

Chorus

2.) Friends of our God, though they may pass
away, will never be forsaken. All those
asleep who in God's mem-'ry stay, from
death he will awaken. Then we'll come to see
all that life can be: Paradise eternally.

Chorus

He will call; the dead will answer. They will
live at his command, For he will have a
longing for the work of his own hand. So
have faith, and do not wonder, For our God
can make us stand. And we will live forever,
as the work of his own hand.



Song 134
See Yourself When All Is New

1. Just see yourself, just see me too;
Just see us all in a world that is new.
Think how you'll feel, how it will be,
To live in peace, to be truly free.
No evil one will then prevail;
Rule by our God cannot ever fail.
The time will have come for a new earthly start,
The song of our praises will pour out from our heart:

(CHORUS)

2. Now see yourself, and see me too;
And look ahead to a world that is new.
No sight we see, no sound we hear
Will cause alarm or give rise to fear.
All has come true, just as he said;
Now over mankind, his tent is spread.
He now will awaken those sleeping in death;
Their voices will join ours with
ev'ry grateful breath:

(CHORUS)

"Jehovah our God, how well you have done!
All things are new by the rule of your Son.
The fullness of our heart overflows in our song;
All glory and honor and praise to you belong."
(See also Ps. 37:10, 11; Isa. 65:17; John 5:28; 2 Pet. 3:13.)



Acknowledgement

*The family of the late **Mary E. Williams** wishes to
acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions
of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during
this hour of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep You!*



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