In Loving Memory of





Sunrise: February 14, 1934 Sunset: August 22, 2022

Saturday, September 3, 2022 - 9:00 am Cotton Funeral Service

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey *Elder Jacquelyn Oliver, Officiating Joshua Nelson, Organist*

<u>Obituary</u>



The book of life opened for Ozzie Leath on February 14, 1934 in Shorterville, Alabama to the late Annie and John H. Willis. From that union came 9 brothers and sisters. Left to mourn her passing are brother John Edward Willis (wife Mildred) of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida . She was preceded in death by sisters Elma Willis Smith, Thelma Willis Stephens, Elouise Franklin,

Alice Spates, and Eddie Dean McPherson, and brothers Raymond Willis, Willie Gordon Willis, and David Lee Willis.

She is survived by three daughters, Deborah Gruytch (husband Robert), and Renee Presley (husband Larry, deceased), and Diane McClain Garrett (husband Ernest). She was pre-deceased by daughter Joyce Leath and son Derrick Leath. Also left with loving memories are 8 grandchildren, Lisa Rogers Ragland, Lee Rogers, Asia Ivory Peters, Dominique Muhammad, Brandon Leath, Robert Gruytch, Lamar Garrett, and Fabiana Presley. Great grandchildren Shaakir, Anthony Jr., Jordan, Jeremey, Ruth, Hannah, Matheus, Jonas, Mahogany, India, Isreal, Nevaeh, Sol, and Salaara. Also there is two great, great grandchildren, Aaliyah and Tatiyana. Also left to mourn her passing are numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

Ozzie began her career as a bank teller and later became a bank manager for First Union, later First Fidelity, now Wells Fargo. She also was realtor for Weichert Realtors and Remax Realty. But her favorite pastime was playing bingo and spending time with family and friends. Ozzie was a social butterfly with never a hateful word or frown, but rather a smile that would light up a room and a loving presence that would make you forget the ills of the world. In accordance with God's will, Ozzie's earthly journey came to an end as she was called home on August 22, 2022. Though she has departed from us, the warmth of her love that she gave so unconditionally will be present with all of us for eternity.



Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks (Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

Entombment

Hollywood Memorial Park Union, New Jersey

Repast will be @

Costa's Ristorante 120 Chestnut St Roselle Park, NJ

I'm Free)

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me I took his hand when I heard Him call I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day. To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found that peace at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it up with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh, yes these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free!

-author unknown

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