

Elder Tajuana Maria Williams

Alpha June 8, 1970

Omega October 5, 2013

Friday, October 11, 2013 - 11:00 am

Simmons Memorial Sounds of Praise Christian Fellowship Ministries, Inc. (at New Reid Temple COGIC) 154 N. Oraton Parkway East Orange, New Jersey Elder Ruby F. Simmons, Founder and Pastor Elder Tony Stephens, Executive Pastor

## <u>Obituary</u>

On Saturday, October 5, 2013, God called another one of His warriors home to rest. Our Daughter, Granddaughter, Niece and Friend, Elder Tajuana Maria Williams

She departed this life from family, labors and sickness at Cornell Hall Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Union, New Jersey for the peaceful shores on the other side at the age of 43. She was predeceased by grandparents, Almeda Williams, Walter Williams and Rev. Floyd Holmes.

Elder Tajuana Maria Williams was born on June 8, 1970 in Newark, New Jersey to Rose Ann Holmes Williams and Joseph Williams. She was raised in Rahway, NJ where she attended the Public School System. Elder Williams graduated from Rahway High School in 1988 and attended Union County College briefly.

Elder Williams was employed as a salesperson at Dress Barn in Linden for 10 years and had previously worked for Sears in Watchung.

Elder Williams was taught the Word of God at the age of five, at Mt. Zion Fire Baptized Holiness Church, under the leadership of the late Pastor Minerva Steele. It was there that she first accepted Jesus Christ as her Savior and Lord.

She drifted away from the church in her teenage years, but never forgot what she was taught as a child. She rededicated her life to Christ in her mid-twenties, and joined St. Paul Fire Baptized Holiness Church, which later became St. Paul Sounds of Praise Pentecostal Fellowship Ministries, Inc., under the leadership of the late Bishop Nathaniel Simmons.

Elder Williams knew there was a greater calling on her life, but refused to submit to God's will. She began attending various churches in search of a Divine connection. In 2002, after much prayer, she was led by the Holy Spirit to join Simmons Memorial Sounds of Praise Christian Fellowship Ministries, Inc., under the pastorate of Elder Ruby F. Simmons.

Three years later, on June 12, 2005 during Sunday morning corporate prayer at Simmons Memorial, Elder Williams had a mighty encounter with the Holy Spirit, by the laying on of hands of Elder Ruby Simmons. It was then that Elder Williams fully submitted herself to the will of God.

Elder Williams became a faithful and yielded vessel, serving diligently in the different ministries of Simmons Memorial. She acknowledged her call to preach the Word of God in October 2005, and preached her initial sermon in December 2005. Elder Ruby Simmons licensed Elder Williams on August 26, 2007.

With a special passion for children and teenagers, she serves faithfully as Superintendent of the Christian Education Ministry, as well as Teacher of the Children's Class.

She was a powerful witness of the difference God makes in the life of an individual. Elder Williams preached the gospel, as well as served in the Body of Christ wherever needed.

She leaves to cherish fond memories, her beloved parents, Rose and Joseph Williams of Linden, New Jersey; her grandmother, Mattie L. Holmes of Maple Hill, NC and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, godchildren, other relatives and friends.

Lovingly and Sorrowfully, The Family

## Order of Service

Elder Tony Stephen, Officiating

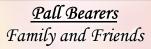
Organ PreludeBro. Willie Saunders
Processional
A Parting View
Hymn
Scriptures Old Testament - Psalm 27Min. Marjon Brown New Testament 2 Tim. 4:5-8Elder Carl Clark Prayer of ComfortProphet R. Griffin
Hymn
Words of ComfortFamily & Friends (2 minutes each)
Acknowledgement of CondolencesSis. Shanel Stephens
ObituarySis. Shanel Stephens
Hymn
EulogyElder Ruby Simmons
Recessional

Service of Committal and Interment Rosehill Cemetery - Linden, New Jersey

Immediately following the interment, family and friends are invited to return to the church where a repast will be served.

Services Entrusted To: G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC 206 East Eighth Avenue • Roselle, NJ 07203 www.ggwoodyfuneralhome.com

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Memories

<u>Special Thanks</u> The family acknowledges with sincere appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this time of sorrow. May God bless you all for your thoughtfulness and concern.

