



IN LOVING MEMORY OF
Hortense L. Powell

Sunrise
July 6, 1930

Sunset
October 21, 2022

Service
Wednesday, November 2, 2022 • 11:00 a.m.

Whigham Funeral Home
580 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. • Newark, New Jersey
Reverend Thurselle C. Williams, Officiating

Reflection of Life

Hortense Lorraine Williams Powell, 92, of Hoschton, Georgia passed away on Friday, October 21, 2022.

Hortense was born on July 6, 1930 in Newark, New Jersey to Ebenezer Isaiah Williams and Frances Louise Webb Williams. She was one of nine children: predeceased by Edwin, George, Etta, Ebenezer, Shirley and Lilla. She is survived by Archibald and Alton Williams.

Hortense attended Burnet and Morton Street Schools for elementary education, and Robert Treat School for junior high. She graduated from South Side High School in 1948 with honors. In 1952, Hortense graduated from Newark City Hospital School of Nursing and received her Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from Seton Hall University in 1957.

On September 2, 1956, Hortense married Vincent Oswald Powell in Kingston, Jamaica. Together, the couple raised three daughters in Newark, New Jersey.

In her early career, Hortense held positions as a staff nurse at Newark City Hospital and later as a public health nurse in Newark. Mrs. Powell retired in 1991 after working as a school nurse for over thirty years with the Newark Board of Education.

After retiring from nursing, Hortense pursued her passion for art and photography. She began taking art courses at the Newark School of Fine & Industrial Arts.

Mrs. Powell served as president of the Newark Public School Nurses Association; member of New Jersey State School Nurses Association; American Nurses Association; Newark City Hospital Alumni Association; and New Jersey Afro-American Historical & Genealogical Society.

Hortense was a long-time member of Queen of Angels Catholic Church where she served as Girl Scout Leader in the 1970's, helping young girls in the city of Newark reach their potential.

Mrs. Powell was preceded in death by her husband of forty-nine years, Vincent O. Powell. She is survived by: Daughters – Lorraine P. Jackson (Jerome Sr.) of Chesterfield, VA, Stephanie P. Shaw (Mark) of Hoschton, GA, and Patricia Powell of Decatur, GA; Grandchildren – Jerome Jackson Jr. (Mercedes) of Chester, VA, Ashley Jackson (Andrès) of Jersey City, NJ, and Rachel Shaw of Hoschton, GA; Great Grandchildren – Zeyana Bush and Scott Jackson, along with a host of nieces, nephews, and great/grand nieces, nephews and many extended family members who loved her dearly.

Order of Service

Processional

Prayer

Reverend Thurselle C. Williams

Selection

Eye on the Sparrow

Scripture Reading

NIV Isaiah Chapter 40 Verse 28 – 31

Prayer Card Reading

After Glow

Remarks by Family & Friends

(Please limit to two minutes.)

Obituary Reading

Selection

Going Up Yonder

Eulogy

Reverend Thurselle C. Williams

Soloist on Sax

Amazing Grace by Darryl Dixon

Recessional

Interment

*Rosedale Cemetery
Orange, NJ*

Repass

*Chateau of Spain
11 Franklin Street
Newark, NJ 07102*

AfterGlow

*I'd like the memory of me
To be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow
Of smiles when day is done.
I'd like to leave an echo
Whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times
And bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve
To dry before the sun
Of happy memories that I leave behind,
When the day is done.*

-Helen Lowrie Marshall

Acknowledgements

*The family 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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