

Terry Watkins, Jr.
Rashad Shuler

Pall Bearers

Jessie Morris
Devond Shuler

Ryan Shuler
Michael Morris

His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

- Matthew 25:21



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The family acknowledges with sincere appreciation your prayers, understanding and acts of kindness during this time of bereavement.

Special Thanks for the special care provided:

Nephew, Michael Morris
Terri Houston Washington
Shirley & BR Slay

The Laurels of Toledo—for outstanding care!



No Tears In Heaven

There are no tears in heaven, nor grief of any kind;
I leave this final teardrop to those I've left behind.
Though absent from the body, I am present with the Lord;
The joy of my salvation is now my full reward.

~ Humbly submitted by her daughter, Suzee

Arrangements

House Of Day Funeral Service, 2550 Nebraska Avenue, Toledo, OH

Internment

Woodlawn, Toledo, OH

Programs by: Pamela Rogers

Celebration of Life



Mother Marie M. Watkins

Sunrise: July 27, 1937 ~ Sunset: September 12, 2020

Saturday, September 19, 2020

House of Day Funeral Service

2550 Nebraska Avenue, Toledo, OH

Minister Pamela Rogers, Officiant

Elder Kenneth Witherspoon, Eulogist

The Obituary

Mother Marie M. Watkins

July 27, 1937 ~ September 12, 2020

Mother Marie M. Watkins transitioned this life to her heavenly home on September 12, 2020. She was born in Leeds, AL, to Clark and Willie Gamble, July 27, 1937 and graduated from Molton High School in 1954. Mother Watkins relocated to Toledo, OH for better opportunities where she then met and married, Deacon Hubert Watkins in 1957; the two remained married for 58 years—only through death did they part—to their union were born three children. Mother Watkins is preceded in death by her parents, Clark and Willie Gamble, two brothers and a sister, her loving husband, Hubert, and their two sons, Hubert Jr. (1959) and Terry Watkins (2020).

Mother Watkins was a dedicated and faithful servant of the Lord. She joined Bethel Apostolic Temple, was baptized and received the gift of the Holy Ghost in 1963. She was committed to her service to the Lord, over the years, she sang in the choir, was an altar work but most notably served as a Sunday school teacher for over 55 years until becoming ill. Mother Watkins did not believe in missing church—rain or shine—she was a warrior—she attended Sunday morning, afternoon and night service not to mention choir rehearsal, Bible class, Missionary Meeting, Las Fidelis and Friday night services under the leadership of both Elder Ernest Cross and Elder Eldridge Levey.

Mother Watkins was an anointed woman of God, she believed God, she was a prayer warrior—she knew how to get a prayer through on your behalf. Mother Watkins worked much of her adult life caring for children (spiritually and naturally)—she cared for children in her home for more than 50 years, provided child care services through Lucas County Department of Jobs & Family Services for 16 years and worked 16 years at Plaza Care Ministry Nursing Home as well. She cared about the souls of people. Her passion, in addition to caring for children, was leading others to Christ. She witness to those around her about Christ—instilling the importance of joining and attending a church.

Mother Watkins leaves to cherish her memory: her devoted daughter, Claudette “Suzee” (Duane) Shuler; daughter-in-law, Carol Watkins, grandchildren, Terry Watkins, Jr. of Chicago, IL, Christopher Watkins of North Carolina, Devond (Finse) Shuler, Ryan (Angelica) Shuler, Rashad (Ashlei) Shuler of Columbus, OH; great-grandchildren, Ryan, Jr., Shaarya, Rylee, Devond, Jr., Kylee, Ciara and Jeremiah Shuler; devoted sister, Claudia Spidell; devoted sister-in-law, Julia Echols; special nephew Michael Morris, who was a faithful visitor and supporter (Barbara), Jessie, Phillip, Ken, Lorenzo, Eddie, Michael, Jr. and Darren (Lee); nieces Mickie, April, Carol, Cynthia, Diane, Loulianne, Candace and Erica; her special daughter, Minister Terri Houston Washington, who also served as a dedicated caretaker; spiritual daughter, Minister Sharon Heard; and a host of relatives, friends, her former Bethel Apostolic Temple and Fitchland Avenue families.

Order of Services

Minister of Music

Processional

Prayer

Elder Robert Heard

Solo

Minister LaTresse Rogers

Scripture

Sister Dana Blalark

Praise Expression

Minister Terri Houston Washington

Poem

Mr. Duane Shuler

Obituary &

Acknowledgements

Special Remarks

Minister Sharon Heard
Pastor Blandine Walls

Family & Friends *(2 Minutes Please)*

Eulogy

Elder Kenneth Witherspoon

Recessional

