

Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Flower Attendants

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I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I am 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 place at the close of the day. If my parting has left a void, then fill it with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, ah yes, these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life has been full; I've 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!

Acknowledgments

Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent a floral spray, if so, we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend would say. Perhaps you were not there at all; just thought of us that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we thank you very much whatever the part. May God bless you.

~The Family of Minnie Lee Williams~

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A Celebration Of Life for Minnie Lee Welcome



Sunrise
April 4, 1935

Sunset
December 19, 2020

Service

1:00 PM, Saturday, January 2, 2021

Samuel C. Rogers, Jr. Memorial Chapel

4315 North Main Street
Jacksonville, Florida 32206

Pastor Darrell Gilyard, Officiating

Obituary For Minnie Lee Welcome

Sis. Welcome was born on April 4, 1935, to Ms. Cora Lee Ross in Montezuma, Georgia. She received her education and graduated from the public school system. She resided in Jacksonville, Florida and was employed by Baptist Hospital for 30 plus years, until she retired.

Sis. Welcome was a faithful member of Mt. Ararat Missionary Baptist Church, where she served as President of the Choir and Usher Board #1, a member of the Mass Usher Ministry. She also was a faithful bible study, church service, church school, mid-week worship service and kitchen staff servant, along with many other capacities in the church. Sis. Welcome's favorite phrase was "Whateva".

Sis. Welcome departed this life on December 19, 2020. She was preceded in death by her mother, Cora Ross; grandmother, Josie B. Oscar; aunts, Mary Hicks, Dorothy Rivers, Bennie Rose Nixon, Margaret Young, and Mattie Pinkney; and uncles, Oscar Hicks, Jr., Bennie James Hicks, and Shepard William Hicks.

Sis. Welcome leaves to cherish her memories: a son, Bernard Buggs, Sr.; daughter, Alisa Stephens (Mark); grandchildren, Bernard Buggs, Jr., Sharletta Stephens, Shakira Stephens, Christopher Stephens, and Kelvin Blaylock; great-grandchildren, Kyra Buggs, Jada Buggs, Bella Buggs, Christopher Stephens, Savion Stephens and Julius Stephens; a host of cousins including Rose Griffin, Merinda McCloud, Michelle Fletcher, and Javan Clayton; as a sister, Joann Johnson and Janie Griffin; many friends, and the Mt Ararat Missionary Baptist Church family.

Order of Service

Processional and Viewing

Solo Pastor Alexie Kelly

Scripture

Old Testament Pastor David A. Lattimore, Jr.

New Testament Evangelist Ruther Patterson

Invocation Deacon Lester Burch

Solo Pastor Alexie Kelly

Resolution Sis. Gwendolyn Lowery

Reflections (2 minutes please)

As A Granddaughter..... Shakira Stephens

As A Friend..... Shirley Randolph

Poem Sis. Courtney Lattimore

Poem Sis. LaTonya Lattimore

Memories by her Goddaughter..... Alisa Stephens

Solo Pastor Alexie Kelly

Words of Comfort Pastor Darrell Gilyard

Mt. Ararat Missionary Baptist Church

Recessional

Interment

Edgewood Cemetery
4519 Edgewood Drive
Jacksonville, Florida 32219