Precious Memories

















Pallbearers

- **Homer Danley Marlon Dobbs Clarence Zachery** Lamonte Carr John Teasley
- Leon McClarty Levi Wilson **Morris Ellison Ronnie Clark** Nathan Zachery

Hower Rearers

Florence Danley Phyllis Styles

Gloria Dobbs Dorothy Sparks

Faye Dobbs

Interment

Lincoln Hill Cemetery **408 Miller Avenue** Gadsden, Alabama 35903

Acknowledgements

The Stewart family expresses thanks to the many students, friends, and church family for their cards and different expressions of kindness shown during her illness and after her death. Special thanks to Dr. Akisanya, CenterWell Home Care, and Gadsden Regional Medical Center. May God bless the kind hands and hearts extended to our family.

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Junrise August 13, 1924

Celebration of Life FOR

MRS. Juanita Elizabeth

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March 2, 2024

Saturday, March 9, 2024 12:00 PM

J. W. STEWART MIDDLE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM 8138 Malone Street Douglasville, Georgia 30134

Minister Pamela Endsley, Officiating



Juanita Ellison Stewart born on August 13, 1924, to the union of the late Samuel S. Ellison and Rosell L. Mallory Ellison. Juanita was the fifth sibling to a family of eight, two boys and six girls. Juanita attended the Gadsden public school system and graduated from Carver High School in Gadsden, AL, in the class of 1943.

Juanita began her Christendom journey at an early age by joining Antioch Baptist Church in Gadsden, AL, and immediately became active in the youth programs of the church.

After high school graduation, she attended Alabama A&M College and earned a BS degree in Secondary Education in 1947. After college graduation, she began her teaching career with the Alabama public school system. She taught three years at James L. Cain Elementary School and two years at Lincoln Normal in Marian, AL.

After five years of valuable teaching experience, she accepted a teaching position at Hutcheson High School in Douglasville, GA. Juanita had many successes, along with meeting the love of her life, John Stewart, a World War II veteran and graduate of Tuskegee Institute. John and Juanita were united in holy matrimony on June 12, 1952. They spent their summers off in graduate school. Juanita earned two Master's degrees (LS from the University of Pittsburgh and MSLS from Atlanta University), and John earned a Master's Degree in Education from New York University.

To this union, no children were born; however, as a couple, they have financed college tuition for two deserving youngsters. Both graduated on the Dean's list and who in turn have sent their children to college. For her, these were her most valued gifts to society.

She joined two other churches during her adult life, Zion Hill Baptist in Douglasville, and at her death, she was a member of Friendship Baptist Church in Atlanta, GA. Her services within these congregations were remembered as she was an active member at each.

After thirty-one years with the Douglasville public school system, Juanita and John retired. During their tenure, Juanita was promoted to Teacher/Librarian; John was promoted to Principal, then on to the Assistant Superintendent of Douglasville school system. She worked as a Teacher and Librarian in the public school systems of Alabama and Georgia for 36 years before retiring in 1981. During her last years, Juanita enjoyed watching sports, especially golf and football. Roll Tide Roll!

After retiring, Juanita and John enjoyed fishing, watching golf and began traveling. They toured nations of five continents, including the Holy Land and Africa. The Holy Land and Africa are where they found their most memorable highlights.

She was a life member of NEA, NAACP, and held other memberships such as, GREA, DCREA, and Alabama A&M Alumni Association.

Both parents and seven siblings preceded her in death: sisters: Margaret Ellison Mitchell, Ophelia Ellison, Emily Ellison Huffman, Catherine Ellison Porch, and Lois Ellison Weems; brothers, William Charles Ellison and Mallory Ellison; niece, Janice Huffman; nephew, Raymond Ellison; and sisters-in-law, Lois Bonds Ellison and Jennie Bradford Ellison.

She leaves to cherish her memories: her husband of 72 years, John W. Stewart of Augusta, GA; nephew and caregivers, Stephen (Christie) Huffman; nieces, Karen Huffman of Gadsden, AL, Dotty Ellison of Fort Walton Beach, FL, June Marie (Alvin) Brown of Tulsa, OK, Deloris Blanks of Kansas City, MO, Cathy Ellison of Pittsburg, PA, and Margaret Scott and Linella Stewart, both of Detroit, MI; nephews, John (Desiree) Huffman of Gadsden, AL, Willis (Merry) Stewart of Grovetown, GA, and Ray (Trecia) Stewart, Jr., of Detroit, MI; great-nieces, Kedra Reynolds of Atlanta, GA, Nichelle Downing, Tia Jiles, Jennie Ellison of Pittsburgh, PA, and Constance Williams of Mexico; special friends, Homer (Florence) Danley, Rachel McWilliams, Hazel Burton, Gloria (Marlon) Dobbs, Judge Barbara Caldwell, Quetta Thurman and family, Wilma and Daphyne Mays, Lamonte Carr, Florine Guy, and Louise Jeffrey; and a host of other relatives, many caring/loving friends, and students.

If roses grow in Heaven, Lord, please pick a bunch for me. Place them in my Aunt's arms And tell her they are from me. Tell her that I love her and miss her, And when she turns to smile. Place a kiss upon her cheek, And hold her for awhile. Because remembering her is easy, I do it everyday. But there is an ache within my heart That will never go away.

Order of Service

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Scripture Readings: Old Testa

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Acknowledgement Deacon Carolyn R. Hawthorne

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Selection..... Faye Byrd "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross"

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Prayer.....Elder Roudel Wilson

Selection......Fave Byrd & Son

Tributes.....Judge Barbara Caldwell

Expressions Two Minutes, Please