



*A Legacy
of Love*



*Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the Lord,
she shall be praised. Proverbs 31:30*



HOMEGOING CELEBRATION



for

Emma Y. Williams



Sunrise: March 16, 1926 ~ Sunset: January 08, 2019

*Eulogist
Rev. Andrew Carey*

*Brown Grove Baptist Church
12816 Bailey Bridge Rd.
Midlothian, VA 23112*

Monday, January 21, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.

Obituary

Emma Y. Williams, a resident of Midlothian, VA, departed from this life on January 8, 2019, at the age of 92.

Born on March 16, 1926 in Yonkers, NY, Emma graduated from Lincoln School for Nurses and then received a Bachelor of Science with Honors in Nursing Education from New York University in 1958. She later earned her Registered Nurse degree. Emma worked in the public health field in New York City for many years then became a school nurse in Lowville, NY. While raising her children, she went back to school and earned a Master's in Education from the College of New Rochelle in 1978. She taught in the special education field for several years until her retirement.

As a resident of White Plains, NY for over 40 years, she was very involved in neighborhood activities, the public school PTA and teaching Sunday School at Bethel Baptist Church. She also was a faithful volunteer for Meals on Wheels.

Along with her husband, Albert, his brother, Eugene Williams, and his wife, Lorraine, Emma was a founding partner of Dogwood Housing Limited Partnership in Charlottesville, VA. This family business provided quality housing for low income residents for 27 years and received special recognition from the Virginia Assembly in 2015.

Emma loved the Lord, loved people and always had positive things to say about (almost) everyone. She enjoyed helping others, being with her family, cooking and dancing; some of her best steps were seen at parties in the past two years. Hospitality was one of her many gifts and she was always ready to feed a visitor with her special ham sandwich, mouthwatering homemade apple pie or many other treats she always had available. She will be remembered as a classic woman with a sincere smile, sweet laugh and a meek and quiet spirit that spoke volumes to everyone she met. One of her common encouragements during hard times was, "this too shall pass". A favorite scripture she recited was Psalm 118:24, "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."

She enjoyed a beautiful marriage with her beloved husband of 62 years, Albert, who predeceased her on September 22, 2018. She leaves behind to cherish her memory a devoted daughter, Patricia Whitaker (Darnell); grateful grandchildren, Alana, Lauren, Timothy, and Whitney; son, Brian; sister, Ruth (Gene) Logan; niece, Dorothy (Charles) Terry; nephew Charles Hicks Jr and a host of extended family and friends. She was also well loved by her final caregiver, Monique Dorf, as well staff at Bickford Assisted Living where she resided with Albert.

Memorial gifts may be made to your local Alzheimer's Association in her name.

Order of Service



Processional

Invocation

Welcome

Musical Selection

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Ecclesiastes 3

Psalms 23

Musical Selection

Prayer of Comfort

Dance Selection

Obituary Reading

Musical Selection

Reflections

Musical Selection

Eulogy

Recessional



Clergy & Family

Rev. Andrew Carey

Apostle Liz Modeste

Sis. Linda Clark

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Sis. Tasha Adams

Michelle Cartagena

Family & Friends

Congregation

Rev. Andrew Carey

Clergy & Family

Please join us for a reception downstairs immediately following service.
You are also invited to the burial service tomorrow. Please meet for procession at **Bliley's Funeral Home** 6900 Hull St. at 10:00 am or meet us at **Amelia Veteran's Cemetery** at 10:45 am.

Acknowledgements

The family appreciates the many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy shown during our time of bereavement. Your thoughtfulness lifted our hearts and spirit. We ask that you keep us in your prayers as we continue to cherish her wonderful memory.

Special thanks to Mt. Gilead Full Gospel International Ministries for their kindness, love, and support.