

# Obituary

*"He who loses his mother, loses a pure soul who blesses and guards him constantly." - Kahill Gabran*

On October 31, 2014, our pure soul, our beloved mother, Alice Christine Miller Nash McDaniel departed this life to be with the Lord.

"Ms. Alice" was a precious gift born on Christmas day in 1923 to Leona Hawkins and Acie C. Thornton. She had a childhood filled with wonder and anticipation of what the future held. Growing up in El Reno, Oklahoma, she accepted Christ at an early age. She and her sister, Myrtle Thornton (deceased) excelled in the areas of music and sports.

During her formative years, she played piano, wrote poetry and was an honor student at Booker T. Washington High School. She graduated at 17 years of age and attended Langston University on a basketball scholarship.

In 1943, she married James B. Dunn and to this union two children were born, James B. Dunn, Jr. and Carolyn Jean Dunn. All preceded her in death.

In 1951, she married L.C. Miller (deceased), and to this union two daughters were born, Joyce Ann Miller, Atlanta, Georgia, and Gayle Lynnette Miller-Flynn of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Her extended family includes one son, Hurley Charles Miller (Leona) of Kaufman, Texas.

She was employed as a tools and parts attendant at Tinker Air Force Base for over 20 years. There she received numerous "outstanding performance" awards. She retired in 1987.

In 2013, "Ms. Alice" found love in her sunset years and entered into matrimony with Herman McDaniel of Jones, Oklahoma.

Throughout her lifetime she was active and in good

standing with numerous civic and social organizations, including:

- Blanche M. Bruner Order of the Eastern Star #90
- Delta Epsilon Chapter of Gamma Phi Delta (former Basileus)
- NAACP, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- Sunday School Superintendent (Antioch Baptist Church)
- Church Mother Board (Tabitha Baptist Church & Mt. Moriah Baptist Church)

She lived a full life and was extremely proud and enthusiastically showed her support and voted for our 1st Black President Barrack Obama.

She is survived by her loving husband, Herman McDaniel; her daughters: Joyce A. Miller of Atlanta, Georgia; and Gayle L. Miller-Flynn of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; one son, Hurley C. Miller (Leona) of Kaufman, Texas; grandsons: Kevin D. Johnson and Keith D. Johnson, both of San Leandro, California; Elijah Carter, Jr. of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Hurley Eugene Miller (Cheryl) of Grand Prairie, Texas; granddaughters: Glenda Carter of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Rhonda Gayle Miller-Hughey (Kenneth) of Kaufman, Texas; Yolanda Miller of Kaufman, Texas; Kristi L. Johnson (Krystal) of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; seventeen great grandchildren, six great, great grandchildren; a host of cousins, in-laws, and friends. Also, her very dear friend of over 80 years, Ms. Velva Davis of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Those who remain behind will greatly miss her beauty, her smile and gentle love and guidance. We thank God for allowing her to touch all of our lives in a very special way.