



Pallbearers

De'Shawn Burch
Terrell R. Figures
Kerwin James II

Kareem Burch
Aaron James
Mitchell Shannon

Honorary Pallbearers

Elton Blakes
Dennis Hood
Keith Jones

Merle Burch
Gene Hood
Cedric Neighbors

Flower Bearers

Kisha D. Byrd
Kaudet Reed

K.C. Chansombat
Nora Smith

Calretta Stringer

Honorary Flower Bearers

Other Caregivers

FMBC Deaconess Board & Women's Missionary Union

Interment

Hillcrest Memory Gardens
12813 N.E. 50th Street
Spencer, Oklahoma 73084

Please drive with your lights on for safety and fasten your seat belts.

Acknowledgment of Appreciation

God is good all the time and this has been reflected through your love, prayers, financial and food contributions, kind words, visits, calls and acts of kindness shown during our time of extended illness and bereavement. Special thanks to Kaudet Reed, other care givers, Faith Memorial Baptist Church, Choice Hospice, and several other Oklahoma City's Hospice groups. God Bless each of you.

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II Timothy 4:8

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A Celebration Of Life Honoring
Ernestine Hood Figures

SUNRISE
August 28,
1930

SUNSET
February 2,
2023

SERVICES

Friday, February 17, 2023
11:00 a.m.

Faith Memorial Baptist Church
3117 North Kelley Avenue
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73111

- OFFICIATING -
Pastor, Dr. John W. Peoples

Ernestine Hood Figures

On August 28, 1930, Ernestine Hood Figures was born in Dripping Springs, Okmulgee County to Lavander and Gussie Hood and was the fourth child of five children. Her father, mother and brothers, (Thomas, Lamasha, Frank and Leon) preceded her in death.

Ernestine was baptized at Greater Jones Chapel AME Zion Church at a young age. She attended Dripping Springs Elementary School in Okmulgee, Oklahoma and graduated from Rosenwald High School in Henrietta, Oklahoma. She went on to attend and graduate from Langston University in May, 1951 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Home Economics.

On September 8, 1951, she married Theo Figures and moved to Oklahoma City to begin their lives together. To this union was born 3 children, Eloise, Theo and Kathy. After moving to Oklahoma City, they united with Calvary Baptist Church and later, became a charter member of Faith Memorial Baptist Church under the pastorate of the late, Dr. Morris A. Curry, Sr. she and her husband, raised their children in the fear and admonition of the Lord. She was a very devoted member of Faith Memorial, supporting every auxiliary of the church and serving faithfully on the Deaconess Board, for many years.

In 1961, she attended and graduated from the Nila Jewel Beauty College and went on to open the "Figures Beauty Shop". Not satisfied, she continued her education and enrolled in the University of Central Oklahoma where she attained a Degree in Education. After substitute teaching at various schools, she accepted a position at Garden Oaks Elementary School in Oklahoma City. She went on to teach at Fillmore and Harmony Elementary Schools. Inspiring students to learn was her passion. She loved being a 1st & 2nd grade teacher. After 28 years as an educator, she made the decision to retire in May 1992, at which time, her passion became planting flowers all around her home. (Geraniums were her favorite). She also cherished spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Ernestine later followed her husband, Reverend Theo Figures, when he accepted the call to pastor Christ Evangelist Baptist Church in Oklahoma City. She remained dedicated to serving the Lord Jesus, which was her life's priority, at Christ Evangelist as well as the community until her failing health.

Ernestine, affectionately called "Big Mama" by her grandchildren, was called into eternal rest on February 2, 2023 . She leaves to cherish her memory, 3 children, Eloise Burch of Denver CO., Theo R. Figures (Annette) and Kathy James (Kerwin); 6 Grandchildren, Aaron, Kerwin II, Terrell, Candace, Kareem and Colette; 7 Great grandchildren, DeShawn, Dalvin, Darnell Jr., Karmyn, Kailyn, Aina, and Zion along with nieces, nephews, other family members and friends.



In Our Hearts

We thought of you with love today,

But that is nothing new.

We thought about you yesterday,

and the days before that too.

We think of you in silence,

We often speak your name.

Now all we have is memories,

and your picture in a frame.

Your memory is our keepsake,

with which we'll never part.

God has you in His keeping,

We have you in our heart.

With Love,

Eloise, Theo & Kathy

Order of Service

Organ Prelude Leonardo DeBose

Processional Funeral Directors, Ministers and Family

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament (Psalm 23) Reverend Zenephor Overstreet

New Testament (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18) ... Reverend Robin Wade

Prayer Reverend Wendell Pitre

Selection Faith Memorial Baptist Church

Resolutions/Acknowledgments Renita Fair

Remarks:

Friends/Others 2 minute limit

Family Annette G. Figures

Selection Faith Memorial Baptist Church

Eulogy Dr. George E. Young, Sr.

Video Tribute

Recessional

"Surely, goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my and I will dwell in the House of the Lord, Forever." Psalm 23:6

