



“Footprints”

In deepest sleep one night I dreamed
That on the beach I walked.
God was by my side each step
And quietly we talked.
Then on the sky my life was flashed;
The visions all serene.
Two sets of footprints in the sand
Were there in every scene.
But then I noticed in some scenes
Of suffering, pain and strife . . .
Just a single set of footprints
At the worst times of my life.
“God . . . you said you’d stay by me
In good times and in bad . . .
Why then did you leave me
Each time my life was sad?”
“My precious child,” God answered,
“When your life had pain, I knew;
The single set of footprints
Were the times I carried you.”

Acknowledgment

The family of Pauletta C. Houston wishes to express their sincere gratitude for the many acts of kindness shown during this time of bereavement. May God Bless each of you.

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“We Care”

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF



Pauletta C. Houston

Sunrise
September 4, 1932

Sunset
January 14, 2023

SERVICES

Saturday, January 28, 2023 - 3:00 p.m.

Temple & Sons Funeral Directors, Inc.
Earl M. Temple Memorial Chapel

2801 North Kelley Avenue
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Pastor Ray Douglas - Officiating

Obituary

Pauletta Chequita Houston was born on September 4, 1932, to Verta Mae Harkey and Clarence Webb in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. She accepted Christ at an early age. She is currently a member of Wildewood Christian Church.

Pauletta graduated from Douglass High School in Oklahoma City in 1950. That same year, she married her high school sweetheart, Willie Houston. From that union three children were born, Willie Paul, Bonita and Karen.

The couple relocated to California in 1952. While in California, Pauletta worked for Mattel Toy Factory in the City of El Segundo for many years. Willie, Pauletta, and Karen moved back to Oklahoma City in 1973. Later, she began working for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company as a Data Entry Operator. Pauletta retired from Southwestern Bell in 1996, after 20+ years of service.

Pauletta, affectionately known as “Creta,” was compassionate, funny, patient, smart and direct when communicating with everyone she knew. She enjoyed baking, singing old Motown songs along with the radio and “The Little Drummer Boy!” Pauletta loved watching the NCAA basketball championships; she could tell you where any professional basketball player went to college!

Pauletta peacefully departed life on Saturday, January 14, 2023. She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother Leonard Webb, husband Willie Houston, and son Willie Paul Houston. She leaves with loving memories her daughters, Bonita Houston Dent (Lanaghan) and Karen Houston, her grandchildren, LaTosha Houston and Freddie Houston, and many nephews, nieces, great nephews, great nieces, cousins and loving friends.

Order of Service



Processional	Ministers, Funeral Directors, Family
Selection	Orinthal Wandick
Prayer	Jesse Martin
Scripture	
Old Testament - 2 Timothy 4:7-8	Alicia McDonald
New Testament - Ecclesiastes 9:11-12	Elder Edmund Clegg
Acknowledgment and Resolutions	Chequita Smith Owens
Selection	Orinthal Wandick
Poem	Latricia Clark
Reflections	2 minutes please
Obituary	Read Silently
Video	Temple & Sons Funeral Directors
Selection	Orinthal Wandick
Eulogy	Pastor Ray Douglas
Parting View Selection	
Parting View and Recessional	<i>“I’ll Take You There”</i> Staple Singers

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