



Mrs. Ella Mary Washington

July 9, 1931 - September 12, 2016

Mrs. Ella Mary Gay Washington, age 85, was born on July 9, 1931 to the late Earl Eugene, Sr. and Ollie Fowler Gay in Canton, GA. She departed this life's journey peacefully on Monday, September 12, 2016 with her family in Brownsville, TN.

At an early age, Ella Mary accepted Christ as her personal Savior and united with Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Woodstock, GA where she remained a faithful member until she moved to Brownsville, TN in 1994. Ella Mary became a member of First Baptist Church in Brownsville and remained a member until she departed this life.

Ella Mary was educated in the Cherokee County School System in Canton, GA. She attended J.A. Burge Elementary School and Cherokee County Training School where graduated from high school. After graduation, she attended Tuskegee University and returned to Canton to work as a nurse's assistant at RT Jones Memorial Hospital where she thoroughly enjoyed caring for and nurturing others.

While in Canton, she met and later wed Louis Washington in 1952. During their marriage of 64 years, she enjoyed raising their loyal daughter, Gail, traveling, and spoiling her granddaughters.

Ella Mary is survived by her devoted husband, Louis Washington; daughter, Gail Washington Wade (Travis, Jr); granddaughters, Tameka Wade Lucas (Leonard III); Tiffany Wade, Trista Wade; great grandchildren, Landon and Lanah Lucas; siblings, Ruth Fields, Robert Emory Gay (Beatrice), James William Gay (Rosa), Julia Durham (Paul) and a host of loving nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her parents Earl Eugene Sr. and Ollie Gay, siblings Earl Eugene Gay Jr., Richard Gay, Kathleen Gay, and Beatrice Gay.

The highlights of Ella Mary's life were doting over her granddaughters, cooking her homemade mac and cheese, dressing, icebox cookies, and world famous brownies and chocolate cakes, traveling, entertaining and caring for family and friends. Ella Mary will be greatly missed and cherished by many.

Cemetery Details

Brownsville Memorial Gardens

2488 US-70
Brownsville, TN 38012

Previous Events

Service

SEP **15**. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church - Brownsville
311 East Jefferson Street
Brownsville, TN 38012

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Ella Mary Washington*

January 28, 2023 at 12:37 PM



“ *May she Rest In Peace Larry Green*

larry green - September 22, 2016 at 06:28 AM



“ *Although the Washington family had moved away from Georgia they still have family and friends here. My deepest sympathy to LW, Gail, and the entire family (especially the Gay family).*

Sylvia Forsh Baker - September 15, 2016 at 05:07 PM



“ *Ella Mary will b missed. May God continue to give the family comfort and peace. My prayers are with the family at this time of transition. May God bless u all.*

*Michelle Meek
Marietta, Georgia*

Michelle Meek - September 14, 2016 at 06:32 AM