



Iona Williams Mitchell

May 17, 2015

IONA WILLIAMS MITCHELL

On Sunday, May 17, 2015 Iona Williams Mitchell, Age 79, affectionately known as “Onie”, received her wings to enter into heaven's pearly gates, leaving this earthly world behind to receive perfect peace with God, her Father.

Onie was born December 31, 1935 to the late Ernest Williams and Elizabeth Brooks Williams. She was the granddaughter of Rev. James Harrington, the founding pastor of Nazareth Baptist Church. She was educated in the public school system and graduated with her bachelor's and master's degree in education from Xavier University. Onie was the wife of Herman Mitchell. She was a dedicated school teacher for 35 years having taught in elementary education at Edgar P. Harney and Judah P. Benjamin in the public school system. She was a caring teacher who always went the extra mile to stress the value of education to her students. Later, she worked at the New Orleans Job Corps to help troubled youth who were sent there on the directive of the local judges.

Iona Williams Mitchell is survived by her son, Tony Jerome Mitchell (Jazmine Nicholle); her granddaughter, Alayna Elizabeth Marie Mitchell and grandson, Adrian Tony Jerome Mitchell; Joseph Raby III who called her “Nana”; niece,

Simone Yancy of Detroit, MI; special cousin and caretaker, Jacqueline Hudson Gettridge; Godchild, Pamela G. Hudson; many cousins, family and friends, and the Nazareth Baptist Church family.

Employees of New Orleans Police Department, relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral service at Nazareth Baptist Church, 9108 Pritchard Place, New Orleans, LA on Saturday, March 23, 2015 at 10:00 AM. Visitation: 9:00 a.m. until service. Rev. Marc A. Napoleon, pastor and officiant. Interment: Garden of Memories, 4900 Airline Highway, Metairie, LA. Arrangements entrusted to D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Garden of Memories

4900 Airline Drive
Metairie, LA 70001

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 23. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Nazareth Baptist Church
9108 Pritchard Place
New Orleans, LA 70118

Service

MAY 23. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Sorry for you loss she was a very sweet, nice and down to earth about education. She was my six grade teacher and she didn't play about education and I want to thank for all she has taught me. She has always told me education is the key. You will be truly missed.

Chandra Maxson - December 07, 2015 at 08:53 AM



“ My condolences to Tony, Joey and the rest of the family. I will miss Sis. Mitchell. She was a great woman and a huge influence in my life. I will always love and respect her for many great qualities! She was a leader, mentor, educator, bible scholar and historian. I am forever blessed that she was a part of my life.

Germayne Turner Nash - May 21, 2015 at 12:53 PM