



Yvette Robertson Marsalis

May 26, 2026

Yvette Robertson Marsalis peacefully departed life on May 26, 2026. Yvette was born on July 19, 1936 to Ellis Louis Marsalis Sr. of Summit, Mississippi and Florence Robertson Marsalis of New Roads, Louisiana.

She was pre-deceased by her parents Ellis Sr. and Florence Marsalis and her brother Ellis Marsalis Jr.

Yvette leaves to cherish her memory one son, Charles Marsalis Harris, 3 grandchildren; Matthew, Cynthia and Melissa Harris, and 6 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by 6 nephews, Brandford, Wynton, Ellis III, Delfeayo, Mboya, and Jason Marsalis, and a host of other family and friends. Yvette was a 1953 graduate of Gaudet Episcopal High School and graduated from Dillard University as a music major. Yvette was an initiate of the Beta Gamma Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Yvette enjoyed spending time with grand and great-grandchildren and her family and friends. She also enjoyed teaching piano lessons.

She will be remembered by many for her service to others. One of her many pleasures was the volunteer services for Meals on Wheels and her services with the Jefferson Parish Council on Aging Agency. She spent many years helping her father operate his motel in Shrewsbury, working as an assistant first and then the manager.

Later in her life she decided to move to New Roads where she remembered so many happy times with family. The memory of Yvette Robertson Marsalis will never be lost by all she has touched. A private service was held for Yvette.

Cremation Arrangements entrusted to D. W. Rhodes Funeral Home. Please visit www.rhodesfuneral.com to sign online guest book.

Cemetery Details

Private