



Mrs. Mary Ella Moore

March 16, 1925 - September 18, 2018

Mary "Natista" Ella Houston was born on March 16, 1921 to Harvey Lee Houston, Sr., and Cinderella Savatanna Houston in Oklahoma City, OK. She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Curtis Allen Houston, and Harvey Lee Houston, Jr.; sister, Helen Margaret Tinnin; and two children, Ruby Jean Williams and Lloyd Anthony Moore. Mary Ella and family moved to Spencer, Oklahoma, where she attended Dunjee through the eighth grade. She accepted Christ at an early age. She united with the St. Paul Baptist Church under the leadership of Reverend Thomas Butler. She later moved to Oklahoma City and attended and graduated from Douglas Junior-Senior High School in the old fairgrounds. As a young woman she began to fellowship with the Mount Olive Baptist Church under the pastorage of Rev. E.R. Neal. As a dedicated and faithful member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church, her ministry included music and songs in Senior Choir and the Glorious Sounds. She was also a member of the WMU. In 1946 she met and married the love of her life, Mr. Roosevelt Moore, Sr. They were blessed with seven children. After graduating from Douglas High School, she worked for the Oklahoma Waste Material, Veazey's Drug Store, and Lincoln Lane Bowling Alley. She then found a new career with the Community Action Program (CAP) as a Community Health Worker and Case Manager, where she was able to continue her education at Rose State College. As an adult she flourished in her career because she was able to apply and utilize her natural talents, skills, education, and compassion for giving and providing aide and assistance to

those in need. It was this passion that allowed her to touch many lives and be loved by many people, thereby earning the name "Big Mama." After leaving CAP she continued to care for children in her home for young working mothers for years and generations to come. Her community and social activities included leadership in Campfire Girls, membership in the Progressive Women's Club, and reigned as queen of the East Side Roundup Club. She leaves to cherish her memory, her children: Luandria Jean Springfield of Oklahoma City, OK; Rosietta Murray of Humble, TX; Margaret Moore-Payne of Oklahoma City, OK and Roosevelt Moore, Jr. of Midwest City, OK; 14 grandchildren; 62 great-grandchildren; 10 great-great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, extended relatives, and friends.

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Memory Gardens

12813 NE 50th
Spencer, OK 73084

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **23**. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Rolfe Funeral Home
2936 N.E. 36th
Oklahoma City, OK 73111
(405) 424-4136
<https://rolfefuneralhome.com/>

Service

SEP **24**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Mt. Olive Baptist Church
1020 NE 42nd St.
Oklahoma City, OK

Tribute Wall

DR

“ *Sorry for your loss.*

Deborah Roberson - September 23, 2018 at 05:47 PM

TW

“ *Sorry For Your Loss
Jesus Loves Me
We Are Special*



Thomas Widgeon - September 21, 2018 at 03:28 PM

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Sorry for your loss may God be with Family and friends my prayer are sent .

Annette Rogers - September 22, 2018 at 07:57 PM

WW

“ *I am sadden to hear of the passing of Mrs Moore. She has transitioned from her labor to be with Our God and those who have gone on before. As a child from the old block I remember her as a wonderful woman of God who cared and loved everybody. We are thankful for the kind and gentle spirit that dwelled in her and the legacy that she left.
My condolences and i will keep the family in my prayers.
Sincerely
Wayne Williams*

Wayne Williams - September 21, 2018 at 05:02 AM

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“ Mrs. Mary Moore was my cousin but she was like an aunt to me. She was so loving, met no stranger, fed anyone who walk through her doors, In our weakest times God's strength is ours to trust. In our saddest times His compassion is ours to heal. In all times His Love is ours to share. We will surely miss Aunt Mary's joy for life and her love for the family. She was loved by all, especially loved by me. Rita Beasley King

Rita Beasley King - September 20, 2018 at 05:15 PM

DB

“ I am so sorry to hear of Mrs. Moore's passing. I grew up in the neighborhood with her and her family. She was always such a sweet person. My prayers and condolences go out to the family. May God continue to be with you during this time of bereavement.



Diana L Bell - September 20, 2018 at 09:39 AM

RB

TO THE FAMILY: So sorry to hear the loss of your Mother, Gene and family members. I called her Aunt Mary Ella, cause that was the way I was introduced to her back in the days like Forty-Four years ago. Now I know she's really a cousin, but that doesn't matter cause She was a wonderful Woman to me, very caring and giving! Gene, I'm so sorry I couldn't be there for comforting you, didn't know where to come. I had to search Funeral Homes to find Her. Always remember the good times cause God knows best and He will put know burdens on you than you can bear and wipe all tears away, but if there are tears on down the way let it be tears of JOY! Cousin is in a better place with the LORD! We will see our love ones soon. I love you Gene and GOD BLESS this family and give them strength during these trying and sorrowful days. Love Always, Rosetta Berry(OKC)

Rosetta Berry - September 24, 2018 at 02:03 PM