



Mrs. Olive Ruth Payne James

August 27, 1922 - November 16, 2019

Mrs. Payne was born to John and Carrie Dunlap Payne in Seminole County. Her brother, John H. Payne is deceased. She attended and graduated from Douglas High School in Wewoka, Oklahoma, and also graduated from Wilberforce University and the University of Oklahoma. She met and married Clyde James, Jr. (deceased). To their union the following children were born: Gerald, Ronald, Wanda, Jacqueline, William Bruce, Rita James Watson, Cecile James Miles, Clyde, III, Johnny, and Jessica James. Her other blessings are her 25 grandchildren, 51 great-great grandchildren and 13 great-great-great grandchildren. Mrs. James was associated with and belonged to many organizations, was recognized and honored by many, and was a retired teacher and educator by profession. She was a sweet, kindhearted woman that loved the Lord, her children, and her community. Mrs. James' life has and continues to span over nine decades. During those nine decades, she has been unrelenting in her effort to make a difference in the lives of everyone she touches. She was a leader and was recognized by her scholastic peers and teachers as an outstanding exemplary teacher. There is a statement, 'it takes a village' to raise a child. Mrs. James was a leader in that village for every child that she taught or touched. Her contributions made a difference and had a positive impact on the lives of hundreds of students. Though she retired from teaching after 40 years, she continued to educate, motivate, and counsel until prohibited by illness and currently continues to be an inspiration to her family and the many friends and former students who

continued to visit during her illness. She has been called to her heavenly rest and is and will be missed by all.

Cemetery Details

Westwood Cemetery

Wewoka, OK 74884

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **22**. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Omega Service

NOV **22**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Service

NOV **23**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. John Missionary Baptist Church
5700 N. Kelly Ave.
Oklahoma City, OK

Tribute Wall

DM

“ *The McDaniel and Fears family send to you our deepest sympathy, know that you all are in our prayers .*



Dianne McDaniel - November 22, 2019 at 04:23 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Olive Ruth Payne James.*



November 22, 2019 at 10:29 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Olive Ruth Payne James.*



November 21, 2019 at 08:36 AM

JR

“ *My condolences and prayers to the entire James family. I have many fond memories of this very dear and dedicated Lady. She is watching over you in heaven now.*

Joy Jones Rees - November 20, 2019 at 09:48 PM

ED

So sorry for your loss ,My Prayers are with your FAMILY.

Elva Denmark - November 20, 2019 at 10:48 PM

TB

You have my deepest sorrow. May God be with the family

Thelma Bell - November 21, 2019 at 08:30 AM

RB

*She was such a sweet Lady always opened her home to us Rita's posse during our ECU days. I still have memories of her chicken and rice. To the family u r in our prayers see u Saturday.
Luv u guys*

Rose Brown-Northcutt - November 21, 2019 at 09:48 PM

JB

Johnny we the brothers and classmates of the class of 1978 want you to know that we are deeply sorry for the loss of your mother and our grade school teacher Mrs.James and would like for you to know that we are praying for you and the family we'll see you Saturday.We love you all

James Blackshire - November 22, 2019 at 02:47 PM

VR

WE PRAY THAT THE LIGHT AND GRACE OF GOD BATH THE FAMILY IN "PEACE AND LOVE"!!!

VERAN C AND ANITA L RANDLE - November 28, 2019 at 07:04 AM



“ *Family, I extend my deepest condolences to you during the homegoing of your beautiful mother. Praying that God continues to comfort you today and in the many days to come. God bless you.*

LaRhonda Minter-Davis & family

Larhonda Minter-davis - November 20, 2019 at 08:14 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Olive Ruth Payne James.



November 20, 2019 at 05:19 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Olive Ruth Payne James.



November 20, 2019 at 04:11 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Olive Ruth Payne James.



November 20, 2019 at 02:13 PM



“ *Vivid Recollections* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Olive Ruth Payne James.



November 20, 2019 at 10:41 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Olive Ruth Payne James.



November 19, 2019 at 03:52 PM