## In Loving Memory of Betty Evelyn Woods



Sunrise June 18, 1955 Sunset January 13, 2014

Services

Saturday, January 18, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.

Paradise Baptist Church

4617 Northeast 36th Street

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73121

Pastor W.L. Tripplett - Officiating

## Obituary

Betty Evelyn Woods was born in Red Bird, Oklahoma, the fifth of eleven children born to Harvey Earl and Doris Jean Dogans. She moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1964, graduated from Central High School and later moved to Oklahoma City in June 1973. Betty attended Oklahoma City Community College (OKCCC) and Oklahoma State University (OSU) while maintaining a 3.5 Grade Point Average (GPA).

She worked with the City of Oklahoma City in the Payroll/Accounting Department, Job Placement Resources Department, and Neighborhood Housing Department for twenty years. During her time with city government she took advantage of the many supervisory management and computer classes offered. Betty also worked with the Oklahoma City Housing Authority as a Housing Manager for two years before starting her own insurance agency from 1995 to 1998. From May of 1998 to March of 2008, she traveled to all 50 states educating employee/employers to health, life, dental insurance and section 125 benefit options. Betty was chosen to manage one of the newest developments on the eastside of the Oklahoma City area, the Mt. Olive Cottage from 2009-2010. Her last place of employment was with the Oklahoma Heritage Home Care as a Human Resources Representative and Billing Assistant.

An active member of Paradise Baptist Church for 30 years, Betty served in many capacities: She was Second Vice President, First Vice President, of the Women's Ministry, she served in the ministry as Benevolent Chairperson, and Vice President of the Dorcus Circle; she also served as Vice President of the Paradise Hospitality Team; a Lay Leader, and a member of the prayer team. Betty was a member of the Evelyn J. Robinson Chapter 147 Order of Eastern Star, Neighbor leaders for Today (Neighborhood Alliance) and Eastside SALT Council. She was a past board member of the Eastside Chamber of Commerce, Urban League Youth Mentor Program and Metro Democratic Women's Club.

Betty's most cherish work was serving others. She loved to volunteer in the preparation of dinners for her church, organizing family gatherings, taking care of the needs of a brother who resides in a nursing home and other family members when the need arose. Betty's philosophy was to help make someone's day a "Pleasant One." She always wanted others to see Jesus in her "without saying a word."

Betty was married to James Woods, Jr. for 37 years. She is survived by her husband, her mother, Doris Dogans; four children: Jacque Ollison (Jeremiah), Renee Sledge (Walter), J. Michael Woods (Nicole), and Benjamin J. Woods. She had seven grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, and relatives.

