

Celebrating The Home Going of
Phebia Irene Sledge

Sunrise
September 8, 1925

Sunset
February 27, 2014



Memorial Services

Saturday, March 8, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.

New Hope Baptist Church

1232 Northeast 7th Street

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73117

Reverend Edward Jennings Tyson, Pastor - Officiating

"This is the day that the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and be glad in it!"

Psalms 118:24

A Glimpse Into The Life Story Of Phebia Irene Sledge

Phebia Irene Sledge was born on September 8, 1925 in Tunica, Mississippi. Phebia accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior as a young woman at Forest Dale Baptist Church and dedicated her life to serving Christ and helping others. In 1944, Phebia married Walter Sledge. In 1949, Phebia moved to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma (West Town). She was employed as a cook with Harry and Margaret's café and later with the Bama Pie Company. She worked for the Oklahoma City Public School System at Harding Middle School in the School Cafeteria. She retired as a valuable employee after 26 years.

Phebia united with New Hope Baptist Church in 1950 and remained a faithful member until her transition to Glory. She worked faithfully with the Advance Circle and held an officer position of Treasurer. She loved New Hope and was fondly called a prayer warrior and "Mother of the Church." When she was unable to attend church due to her failing health, she made certain she could watch the Gospel Train every Sunday morning.

Everywhere that Phebia went the light of the Lord would shine. Indeed she would brighten the corner wherever she was and ushered in the sweet spirit of The Lord Jesus Christ. She touched others with her welcoming smile, her trust in the Lord, and her kind encouraging words of wisdom. Most importantly, she walked in love.

Preceding her in death were her mother, Everraine Sanders; stepfather, Walter Sanders; Aunt Nora and Uncle Henderson Petty; father, William Hodge; husband, Walter Sledge; brothers: L.C. Sanders, Willie Sanders, Leander Hodge, John Henry Hodge, Sylvester Hodge.

Phebia leaves behind to treasure her memory, two brothers: Cary (Gary) Lee Sanders and Walter Sanders Jr. and one sister Gladys Henderson; five sons: Abraham Sledge, Walter Mustafa Sledge, Anthony Antonio Sledge, Ronald Eugene Lott, Stanford Jerome Rice; two sons-in-law: Louis Rogers, Phillip Keith Smith; three daughters: Ophelia Jatta, Mary Ann Smith, Shelia Marie Macon; three daughters-in-law: Gloria Worthy, Lula Sledge, Latonja Lott; grandsons: Abraham Sledge Jr., Elijah Sledge, Walter Sledge Jr., Louis Davanni Rogers Jatta, DaVon Hill Smith, Jason Paul Smith, Alexander Daniel Smith, Tregary Williams, Ronald Lott Jr., Stanford Jerome Rice Jr.; granddaughters: Dawanna Sunshine Sledge, G. Laschelle Woods, Madinah Jessica Muslim-Grooms, Umara Haniyyah Muhammad, Sydney Michelle Smith, Kela Antwine, Brittinie Sledge, Toni Sledge, Jasmine Irene Lott, Shondia Drew, Lania Shenee Lee, Asha Evano McCoy, Te'Anna Marie Macon, Caressa Nicole Macon; a host of cousins, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.