

*To The Glory of God
In Loving Memory of
Willia Mae Patterson*



*Sunrise
September 18, 1929*

*Sunset
April 7, 2014*

Obituary

Willia Mae Patterson was born September 18, 1929 in Haskel, Oklahoma. She was the oldest of two daughters to Willie and Hazel Wilson. Both parents, one sister, Ella J. Patterson, her husband, Willie B. Patterson, and daughter, Brenda J. Patterson preceded her in death.

Willia was raised in Tulsa, Oklahoma where she graduated from Booker T. Washington High School and participated in many activities. Willia continued her education by attending Langston University earning a Bachelor's Degree, she also was initiated into Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. While at Langston University, she met Willie B. Patterson.

On May 5, 1953, they were united in Holy Matrimony. To this committed union, one son, Gerald and one daughter, Brenda were born. While working as a substitute teacher, she earned a Master's Degree in Education at Central State in Edmond, Oklahoma (UCO) to begin a career as an elementary school teacher retiring after many years of service.

Willia was an active member of Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church, serving as a Stewardess, singing in the choir, and in the Women's Missionary Society, she also help start a afternoon Bible Study Class. She volunteered for numerous church activities and was eager to assist in any way she could.

Willia was an life time member in the Oklahoma City Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. She also had a passion for gardening, baking, sewing, and home making. When she wasn't gardening, or baking someone a cake or pie, she was increasing her knowledge through Bible studies, enrolling in various Bible courses throughout the city and on-line.

Willia was a virtuous woman. Her faith in Christianity was exemplified by her love of God, her love for her family, respect for others, and her morals and principles for daily living. Willia leaves to cherish her memories her son, Gerald, her daughter-in-law, Julia; her grandchildren: Charles, Darla and Dominique; her great grandchildren: Diamond, Isaiah, Celecia and Vashti; a great aunt, Jean; along with a host of relatives and friends.