

Mrs. Fannie Gordon

Mrs. Fannie Gordon an incredible, loving mother, grandmother, great grandmother, wife, outstanding family leader, returned to the loving hands of God on 15 July 2014. Her outstanding wit and to-the-point attitude will be fondly remembered. She was preceded in death by her husband, John Gordon, her son, Delbert Wayne Gordon; her daughters, LaWanda Gordon Osborn and Ruth Ann Gordon Smith, and four infants. She is survived by her sister, Lucy Lee Burton of Tucson, Arizona; her sons: Issac Waheed (Sakeenah) of St. Louis, Missouri, Floyd Gordon (Donna) of Kansas City, Missouri, Lewis Gordon (Bess) of Inglewood, California, and Alfred Gordon, Jr. of Las Vegas, Nevada and Kelsey Nelson (grandson for which Fannie was very instrumental in his upbringing) of Denver, Colorado; and daughters: Aaliyah Shabazz (Na'eem) of Denver, Colorado, Johnnie Marie Jones (Elijah) of Denver, Colorado, and JoLynn Herd of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; and the Lawrence stepchildren: Murrietta, Connie, Daryl, James, Jonathan, Andrea, Harold, Seth, Iona, and Denise; thirty-seven grandchildren, seventy-two great grandchildren, and twenty-two great, great grandchildren. She will be sorely missed by her family, friends, and colleagues.

Fannie was born 27 November 1919, in Hendrix, Oklahoma to Jake and Lula Jones Colbert, both of Texas. She was educated at Colbert High School of Colbert, Oklahoma where she met her husband of 36 years, John. John and Fannie were married in 1936 in Tishomingo, Oklahoma and the family later relocated to McAlester, Oklahoma area where the children were educated. She later moved to Denver, Colorado to be with family and friends.

Fannie developed skills as a food preparation specialist and worked for many years in the food industry to help support her family.

Fannie professed a belief in Christ at an early age and was a long time active member of the A.M.E. Church. In her free time, Fannie loved playing Bingo and the penny slots at casinos.