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Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church Deaconess Board
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church Women's Missionary Society
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church Choir Members

Honorary Flower Bearers

— Grandchildren —
Rickesha Poole • Minister Joyce Cooper • Johna Zeigler
Lacy Poole • Marilyn Cooper • Joyce Zeigler

Interment

Arlington Memory Gardens Cemetery
3400 N. Midwest Blvd.
Oklahoma City, OK 73141

Please drive with your lights on for safety and fasten your seatbelts.

Services under the direction of:

TEMPLE & SONS FUNERAL DIRECTORS, INC.
2801 North Kelley Avenue • Oklahoma City, OK 73111
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Acknowledgment

The family of Deacon. R. G. Nunnelly would like to convey "Heartfelt Thanks and Sincere Gratitude" to Pastor Threatt, Sis. Threatt, Deacon Board, Sis. England, and the entire Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church Family for all your support, acts of love, and kindness shown to our family. Special "Thanks" to Doctors Barreto, Axton, Bankhead, Bouvette, Kahn, Schuff, and Jones for the outstanding care given Mr. Nunnelly. "Thanks" to Mercy Home Health, especially Nurse Julie, the Right-at-Home Staff (Sharonda), and the Mercy Hospital Staff. Many "Thanks" for all the phone calls, text messages, cards, and inquiries on the health and well being of Deacon Nunnelly. Daughter Rose is very appreciative and grateful for all the love and attentiveness to his care and well being. A "Special Thanks" to the Temple & Sons Funeral Directors and Staff, all program participants, support from family, church members and friends that made this a great "Homegoing" Service".



In Loving Memory

of

Deacon R. G. Nunnelly

SUNRISE
May 16, 1917

SUNSET
May 2, 2020



SERVICES

Friday, May 8, 2020 — 2:00 p.m.

EARL M. TEMPLE MEMORIAL CHAPEL
2801 N. Kelley Avenue
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73111

Rev. Dr. Allen R. Threatt III, Pastor
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Arcadia, Oklahoma
Officiating

The Life of Deacon R. G. Nunnelly

Deacon R.G. Nunnelly was one of ten children born to Alonzo and Anna Laura Nunnley on May 16, 1917, in Brownstown, Sevier County, Arkansas. Four siblings passed away early on in life, leaving three girls; Lallie Smith, the eldest of the ten siblings. Respectfully called, Sis. Smith, who became the hierarchy of the group, after the death of their Mother when R.G. was only seven years old. Second in line, Nannie Mae Turner, and the youngest, Katherine Jennings. The two boys were Obray and Robert Nunnley. They all remained very close throughout their extended and prosperous lives. Even though, all six lived over 85 years old, three achieved Centenarian status. They were Lallie (106), Nannie Mae (103) and R.G. (102). R.G.'s Mother, Father, and all nine siblings preceded him in death.

As a young man, R.G. moved to Little Rock, Arkansas where he was inducted into the United States Army on February 22, 1942, during World War II. Some of his tours of duty included Naples & Rome, Italy, and other Sicilian Campaigns. During his service in the Army, R.G. achieved the rank of Staff Sergeant and received several Campaign Ribbons, Bars, and Medals. He received an "Honorable Discharge" on October 8, 1945, given at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri.

In 1946, Deacon Nunnelly came to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, to accept employment at Tinker Air force Base. He worked in the Motor Pool Division and retired with Thirty-five (35) in addition to four (4) years of Military Service, totaling "Thirty-nine (39)" years of Federal Service on February 29, 1980. After retirement, he continued to do little odd jobs to stay active for the Oklahoma City School Board and other business establishments.

Deacon Nunnelly's first marriage to Blanche Pace ended in divorce. During this union, one child was born, a daughter, Donna Nunnelly. Later, he married Laura Mae Mozee-Rainge in Tulsa, OK. One child, a daughter, Rose Nunnelly-Poole was born to this union. In addition, he also nurtured his wife, Laura, three (3) children, Letta, Louis, and Wilbert (deceased) Rainge, like his own. R.G. and Laura were married 60+ years until her death on March 20, 2015.

While R.G. was in Little Rock, AR., he was a member of the Greater Arch Street Baptist Church, now called, the Greater Archview Baptist Church, where he served as an usher. When he relocated to Oklahoma City, he united with the Mt. Olive Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. E.R. Neal. In 1959, he helped to form and organize the Paradise Baptist Church (PBC). R.G. was the first of two Deacons ordained at the newly organized Church. He served in many capacities at PBC e.g. Sunday School Teacher, Choir Member, Brotherhood, Lay Leader, and numerous Committees.

After fifty + years of committed service to God and PBC, Deacon Nunnelly decided his work and commitment to PBC was completed and relinquished his membership to continue his Christian journey at the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church (MTPBC) in Arcadia Ok, under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Allen R. Threatt III. Deacon Nunnelly loved the Church worship services, the preaching, singing, and his time spent with the MTPBC family. He was grateful and appreciative to God for his Christian journey. Deacon Nunnelly was a devout

and committed servant of God who loved Him unconditionally. He was a living testament of God's goodness, grace, and mercy.

Upon his wife's death, Deacon Nunnelly moved in with his daughter Rose and son-in-law Ricky. He was always very appreciative and thankful for their love and care for him. After a couple years of youth and vigor, his health began to fail and soon succumbed to health issues he could no longer battle. Deacon Nunnelly transitioned from this earth to be with the Lord on May 2, 2020 at 9:08 a.m. at Mercy Hospital. He will certainly be missed by all who loved, cherished, and crossed his path.

He loved and cherished his daughters, Rose Nunnelly-Poole, Edmond, OK. and Donna Nunnelly-Mckinney of Long Beach, CA. Son-in-laws, Rev. Ricky Poole and Victor McKinney. His beloved Grandchildren, Rickesha Poole, Albany, GA, Dayna McKinney (deceased), Long Beach, CA. and Reginald Poole (Lacy) of Edmond, OK. He was always excited to see, talk, and play around with his Great-Grandchildren, Kaelyn Williams, Albany, GA. and Julian Poole of Edmond, OK. He also leaves his favored Step-Son, Louis Rainge, Oklahoma City, OK and Letta Rainge, Tulsa, OK. There are many other Grands, Great-grands, and Great-great Grands that are numerous to list. He also leaves a host of Nieces, Nephews, and a host of family and friends.



Order of Service



Processional & Opening Song "Near The Cross

A Deacon's Devotion

Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church Deacon Board

The Minister's Devotion

Old Testament Reading Rev. Joe Norman, Pastor
Nehemiah Baptist Church

New Testament Reading Rev. Gary Poole, Minister
Free Love Outreach Ministries

Prayer of Comfort Rev. Ricky Poole, Minister
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church

Resolutions/Acknowledgement

Remarks (Please limit to two minutes)

A Tribute to My Father Sis. Rose Nunnelly-Poole

Words of Comfort Rev. Dr. Allen Threatt III

Video Tribute

Recessional

Dear Daddy,

First of all I loved you so much. I will miss you. I want to thank you for providing me with a wonderful Template for a good life. Your letters written to me throughout my life provided wisdom and encouragement to be the best I could be. Thank you for your generosity, thank you for always having my best interest at heart and for protecting me. Good Fathers are so needed in their daughters lives. Daddy you were there for me for 69 years. There is so much more I want to say but my time is limited. God granted you a long and fruitful life. You are at peace now in the arms of the angels and in the presence of God.

—Love you Daddy, Your Daughter Donna

Daddy,

It was time for you to take your rest. I must say, you really did give it your best!! From a child to adulthood, you taught me no matter the situation, good, bad or indifferent, to always pray and ask the Lord to help you through it. God will guide and provide whatever you need in your life. I have been blessed and overly grateful that I adhered to that advice.

"Any man can be a father. It takes someone special to be a dad." Thanks Daddy for everything!!

—Your Loving Daughter, Rose