Celebrating The Home Going 

of 

Aretha Harris 

Sunrise 
January 28, 1937 

Sunset  
June 16, 2014 

Services 
Monday, June 23, 2014 - 10:00 a.m. 

Temple & Sons Funeral Directors, Inc.  
Earl M. Temple Memorial Chapel  
2801 North Kelley Avenue  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 

Brother Willie Balloon, Sr. - Officiating -
Obituary

Aretha Harris was the tenth child born to the union of Edgar and Olivia Harris in Red Bird, Oklahoma, both who preceded her in death along with seven siblings: Matthew Harris, Samuel Harris, James Harris, John D. Harris, sisters: Lula Mae Tennyson, Martha Sanders and Minerva Thompson.

She later became to be known affectionately as “Mother Harris” because she loved her family dearly. She was truly a woman of faith and courage and attributes this to her strong Christian values.

She attended Miller Washington in Red Bird, Oklahoma and later moved to Oklahoma City and united with the Garden Oaks Church of Christ under the leadership of Brother Willie Balloon, Sr. She served faithfully and enthusiastically in her church, community, family and friends. This was truly her calling as she would become affectionately known as “Mother Harris”. She was an amazing woman who always saw good in others, her wisdom, soft spoken charm and charismatic and pleasing personality will truly be missed by all. She wore many “hats” being a homemaker, mother, seamstress, organizer, incredible cook and many other attributes that made her the phenomenal woman we grew to know love and appreciate through multiple a loving unions. She leaves to cherish her memory those that preceded her in death eight siblings, two sisters (living): Mrs. Anna Jane Bailey of Oklahoma City; Mrs. Doris Hobbs of Detroit, Michigan; and survived by eleven children: Leon Everett McHenry, Kay Ellen Harris, Kenneth Ray Harris, Sr. (Joycelyn), and Rhonda Elaine Martin (Curtis), all of Oklahoma City; Gerald Wayne Harris of Dallas, Texas; Donald Lee Glover of Oklahoma City; Felesha Glover of Oklahoma City; Ron Christopher Glover of Midwest City, Oklahoma; Natalie Doris Ann Walker (James) of Del City, Oklahoma; Anthony Quinn Glover (Shanda) of Del City, Oklahoma; and David Timothy Glover (Lindsey) of Allen, Texas; thirty-nine grandchildren, thirty-two great grandchildren, five great, great grandchildren; and a great host of cousins, other relatives and close friends.