

Pallbearers

Nephews of Gayle Ashley

Honorary Pallbearers

D'Marcus Ashley

James Ashley II

Joseph Ashley

Flower Bearers

Nieces of Gayle Ashley

Honorary Flower Bearers

Brittnee Ashley

D'Shonda Ashley

D'Janaé Ashley

Interment

Trice Hill Cemetery

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Please drive with your lights on for safety and fasten your seat belts.

Acknowledgement

The family of Gayle Ashley wishes to express its sincere gratitude for the many acts of kindness shown during this time of bereavement. Your prayers, visits, calls, food, cards, and other acts of kindness are appreciated. A special "thanks" to nurses Ms. Debbie and Ms. Holly at the DaVita Center of Oklahoma City, and her caregiver, Mrs. Teresa Nowlin. Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered. May God bless you all. Resolutions were given to the family.

SERVICES UNDER THE DIRECTION OF

TEMPLE AND SONS FUNERAL DIRECTORS, INC.

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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73111

Phone: 405-427-8321

"We Care"

II Timothy 4:8

In Loving Memory
of
Gayle Katherine Ashley



Sunrise
August 30, 1942

Sunset
April 14, 2020

Services
Friday, April 24, 2020 - 11:00 a.m.

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

Elder James L. Dunbar - Officiating
Greater Cleaves Memorial C.M.E. Church
Reverend Robert E. Tilley - Eulogy

Obituary

Gayle Katherine Tilley Ashley was born on August 30, 1942 in Bullard, Texas, Larissa Community.

She went home to be with God Tuesday afternoon, on April 14, 2020. She was the sixth child born to Henry (Boy) and Selener (Sis) Tilley, who preceded her in death. She is also preceded in death by her brother, Auther Tilley; sisters: Pauline Tilley-Brown and Ollie Mae Tilley.

While growing up she attended Larissa C.M.E. Church. She received her education from Larissa Elementary, Cuney Public School and Frederick Douglass High School in Jacksonville, Texas.

In 1961, after graduation Gayle moved to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma where she joined Greater Cleaves Memorial C.M.E. Church. She served as the Treasurer of the Usher Board, and as a member of the Rose Bud Club. In her early 20's, she was selected as the queen of the Eastside Rodeo Club.

She was employed as Supervisor in the Dietitian Department for 17 years at Mercy Hospital. After retirement, Gayle worked at Sunbeam Family Services as a caregiver for several years.

Gayle was a role model, and a "Big Sister" to all of her nieces and nephews. She always gave great advice, even though some didn't listen. She had a great memory of our family history and loved telling old family stories. Spades was her game, and she loved the Dallas Cowboys.

Gayle leaves to celebrate her life and cherished memories to her daughter, Regina (Rick) Williams, and son, James Sr. (Elisha) Ashley, both of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; six sisters: Thelma Walker of Rosewood, California; Mae Shaw and Bobbie Nelson of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Joyce Weathers of Phoenix, Arizona; Betty (Rodgers) Guthrie and Sharon Hartsfield; two brothers: Boston (Jeanette) Tilley and Robert (Martha) Tilley, all of Tyler, Texas; six grandchildren: Brittnee Ashley, D'Marcus Ashley, D'Shonda Ashley, D'Janaé Ashley, James Ashley II, Joseph Ashley; one great granddaughter, Jay'lee Easley; many nieces, nephews, cousins, and a host of friends.



Order of Service

Prelude

Processional with Viewing . Ministers, Funeral Directors, Family

Prayers Jackie Willis

Old & New Testament Scriptures Elder James Dunbar

Selection Martha Tilley

Acknowledgement Elder James Dunbar

Eulogy Reverend Robert Tilley

Recessional Ministers, Funeral Directors, Family

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took His hand when I heard Him call,
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work or play
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that place, at the close of day.
If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with memories of joy,
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
All these things, I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow,
My life's been full, I've savored much;
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief;
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free.*