



Mrs. Virginia Fluellen

April 9, 1921 - November 27, 2016

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“To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under the Heaven.”

Ecclesiastes 3:1

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“A Time to be Born” Virginia Fluellen, the first offspring of the late Dock Buffington and Rosa Rogers Buffington, was born Saturday, April 9, 1921, in Gainesville, Georgia.

“A Time to Learn” Virginia, affectionately known as “Gin” received her formal education in the Gainesville City School System, Gainesville, GA.

“A Time to Work” Virginia worked as a clerk in the Parking Enforcement Office for the City of Harrisburg until her retirement. She was also one of the first crossing-guards in Harrisburg; to her it was more than a job, it was her passion. Gin enjoyed her job and would never leave her job until every child was safely across the street.

“A Time to Love” Virginia believed in the Scripture as written in I Corinthians 13:13, “... three things will last forever; faith, hope and love; and the greatest of these is love.” She encouraged her children to reach beyond themselves, to love unconditionally and to exhibit compassion to others. She always stated, “My love for children is a gift from God.” Over the years, she loved and cared for many children taking on the role of surrogate mother. She also loved horticulture; one could find her weeding and adoring all the beautiful flowers. She would always express, “Give me my flowers while I am living.” In addition, she loved to cook. Some of her most delicious desserts were coconut cake, pound cake, sweet potato pie and her famous southern-style fruit salad.

“A Time to Worship” Virginia united with Bethel A.M.E. Church of Athens, Georgia. She was a devoted Christian and loved the Lord with all her heart and soul as her desire was to serve and honor God to the fullest.

“...I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me,

though he were dead, yet shall he live.” John 11:25

“A Time to Depart” On Sunday, November 27, 2016, the Hand of God touched Virginia and summoned her home releasing her body from labor to reward. At her home at 3840 Derry Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, Virginia exited her earthly body as all her good works here were done.

“For his anger endureth but a moment; in his favour is life:
weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.” Psalm 30:5

“A Time to Mourn” Virginia was preceded in death by her parents, three siblings, Rosa Lee Buffington, Nettie Ruth Buffington, Fred Buffington, as well as her grandson, Kelphen Fluellen. She leaves to cherish her memory her five loving children, Gail E. Phillips (Turner) of Chesapeake, VA, Elaine Fluellen of Pittsburgh, PA, Sandra L. Fluellen, Phyllis A. Fluellen and Keith Davis, all of Harrisburg, PA; stepdaughters, Helen Green and Shavona Mitchell, both of Harrisburg. She also leaves an adopted son, Ronald Jackson of Washington, DC; her grandchildren, Stanley (Mario) Fluellen, Rhonte Phillips, Stacey Fluellen, Shawn Fluellen, Charles Ceaser, Porsha Ceaser, Ira Gibson, Waltney Gibson, Ashley Gibson, Adrian Fluellen, Natasha Mitchell, Keith Davis Jr., Jordan Davis; twenty-two great-grandchildren as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

In All Things We Give Thanks,
Lovingly Submitted, The Family

Her life will be celebrated at 12 Noon, 12/2, with viewing 11 a.m.- 12 p.m., at Wallace Funeral Directors. Flowers may be delivered to the funeral home 12/2, 9-9:30 a.m.