Celebrating the life of Mrs. Leila "Margaret" White Murray



July 22, 1946 - March 29, 2015



For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith...

II Timothy 4:6-7

Life began for Mrs. Leila "Margaret" White Murray on July 22, 1946 in Manning, South Carolina. "Margaret" was a loving daughter of the late Theodore Sr. and the late Itlean Johnson White.

Although her first name was Leila, she was always called and identified as "Margaret". She attended the public schools of Clarendon County, graduating from Manning Training High School, "Class of 1965".

At a very young age, "Margaret" accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Lord and Savior and attended St. John Baptist Church in the Bloomville Community, Manning, South Carolina.

Later, she became a devoted member of Fourth Crossroad Baptist Church where "Margaret" sang with the Senior Choir and served as Treasurer of The Helping Hand Club.

On December 24, 1966, Leila "Margaret" was joined in Holy Matrimony to Lee Ernest Murray Sr. This marriage was blessed with a son, Lee E. Murray Jr. and a daughter, Alicia Murray Washington.

In her early years, she was employed with Sunbeam Manufacturing and Manning Manufacturing both were in Manning, South Carolina.

During her leisure moments "Margaret" always enjoyed such hobbies as sewing, cooking, attending church and being a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, aunt, cousin and friend.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Theodore R. White Jr.; one sister, Linda James; two brothers-in-law, William Burgess and Harold James.

On Sunday, March 29, 2015, at Palmetto Health Richland in Columbia, South Carolina, "Margaret" departed our midst and received her precious crown.

She leaves to cherish her memories a loving and devoted husband, Lee E. Murray Sr. of the home; one son, Lee (LaSonja) Murray; one daughter, Alicia (Ronnell) Washington both of Charlotte, North Carolina; two sisters, Hulean Burgess of Philadelphia, PA and Mary (George) King of Manning, SC; one brother, Charles (Elizabeth) White of Philadelphia, PA; six grandchildren, Deizmond Kelly of Columbia, SC, Jourdan Shepard of Tokyo, Japan, Alexia Davis, Madison Murray, Isley Washington and Julian Murray all of Charlotte, North Carolina; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.