



Mrs. Sophie Lee Oglen

November 21, 1938 - July 6, 2022

In Loving Memory Of

Sophie Lee Oglen was born on November 21, 1938 in Brownville, Tennessee to Moses and Hattie Talbert. She was the fourth born of 5 siblings. The family moved north to Detroit to take advantage of employment opportunities within the automotive industry.

She graduated from Southeastern High School. Because she was industrious and liked numbers she decided to continue her education at Lewis College of Business. This led to employment as a bookkeeper at a furniture store. Years later she would also work for JC Penney. She also worked as a noon aide for Detroit Public Schools to keep an eye on her children.

Sophie loved all her 4 siblings and always kept close ties. She playfully picked at her sister, Jeanette "Net" and was especially close with her sister, Betty who was her phone buddy, and confidant. They enjoyed a lifetime of laughter.

Sophie was married to Derrick Conway who preceded her in death. Later in life she met and married James Oglen who also preceded her in death.

Sophie had creative and artistic talents too. When her daughter, Yvette, was to be married and could not find a well made ring bearer's pillow or a flower girl's basket, she designed and stitched it herself with craftsmanship more excellent than any department store. She had a "fix it myself" spirit and was "handy" around the house. Gardening was one of her passions and she cultivated beautiful peonies and roses. She learned this skill from her beloved mother, Hattie.

Deep inside Sophie's character was the nature of a "fighter". She did not take kindly to bullies. This was evident in her favorite movie genre, "Westerns". She loved rugged, tough guy westerns with Clint Eastwood and John Wayne. Sophie embraced motherhood with her kids, Keith, Ivy, Jonathan, Todd and Meka. She was a good mother. At times she was a strong disciplinarian. One stern, piercing look from momma was good to stop all foolishness. On the other hand she passed on an unshakable belief in the Lord. As an adult she joined Word of Faith Christian Center and was a member of the Soulwinning Team. She continued her quest for knowledge in an independent Rhema bible study program.

Sophie went home to be with the Lord on July 6, 2022.

Sophie leaves to cherish daughters, Yvette Carter (Bill) and Michelle Jones, son Jonathan Bond. Preceding her in death sons Keith Talbert and Derrick Talbert. She leaves to cherish brother Eddie Talbert and sister, Rachel Jeanette Smith. Preceding her in death sisters, Ruthie Mae Sanders and Betty Jean Powell. Grandchildren, Kimberly Johnson, Keith Talbert "Mookie", Kyle Conway, Dorian Conway, Derrick Jones, Muricha Jones, Ciara Fisher, Danielle Fisher, Calvin Fisher, Byron Fisher, Christina Carter and William Carter, great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews and neighbors.

Cemetery Details

Detroit Memorial Park West

25200 Plymouth Road
Redford Twp., MI 48239

Previous Events

Family Hour/Funeral

Thursday, Jul. **28**. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Word of Faith International Christian Center
20000 W. Nine Mile Road
Southfield, MI 48075

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Sophie Lee Oglen*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Remembering your family in heartfelt prayer.
May you draw comfort from God as he help you to cope with the
heavyweight of your loss. Thinking of you all.*

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