



## **Mrs. Willa Mae Mason**

January 16, 1933 - December 29, 2016

In Remembrance Of Our Beloved Willa Mae Mason:

Ms. Willa Mae Mason was born on January 16, 1933 in Pickens, South Carolina through the holy union of the late William and Marie Vernon. She received her early childhood education in Greenville, South Carolina. Willa met Samuel L. Gordon (predeceased her in death) through that relationship she gave birth to her only child Barbara Ann. Willa was later joined in holy matrimony to Leonard Mason who predeceased her in death. Willa left Greenville and made a major move to Detroit, Michigan in 1970 reuniting with her daughter Barbara, younger brother Jafogie Vernon and family. Willa Mae found employment in the field she knew best as a cook and manager at the Lil's Grill on Linwood in Detroit, Michigan where she quickly became dedicated friends with owner Smitty and wife.

Shortly after settling in from her move from the south she quickly found her spiritual covering at Eastern Star Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Pastor Walter Lee Hall where she served on the Kitchen Committee, Gospel Chorus (Senior Choir) and served her final years on the Triumphant Life Christian Church Mother's Ministry under the current leadership of Pastor Joseph Hobbs.

Though Willa Mae was quiet in spirit she was strong, witty and a maternal

protector of her family answering wherever duty called, thus, living out the definition of her name “resolute protector.” She was a great family woman who enjoyed cooking and had a passion for novels. Her love for her family and cooking led her to host all major holidays with your presence warranted and your reward was a slice of her infamous sweet potato pie “(Aunt Willa sweet potato pie).”

# Previous Events

## Family Hour

Saturday, Jan. 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Triumphant Life Christian Church  
13254 Thompson Ave  
Highland Park, MI 48203  
(313) 867-6989

## Funeral Service

Saturday, Jan. 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Willa Mae Mason*

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“ *My sympathy to the family. It is not easy when someone we love dies. May you find comfort in Jesus words, "I am the resurrection and the life."-John 11:28,29*

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“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Willa Mae Mason.*



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