



Espinetta Exzetta Dorsey

April 23, 1933 - October 2, 2017

Espinetta Exzetta Dorsey entered this world April 23, 1933, in Okmulgee, OK. The fifth of six children born to Ella and William Griffin, Sr., she graduated from Beggs (OK) Senior High School and then Halstead (KS) Hospital School of School of Nursing where she became a registered nurse.

The journey continued for Es as a Staff Nurse for the U.S. Air Force which led her to meet her husband of 57 years, Major (Ret.) Valentine J. Dorsey.

Along with the role of military wife, Es earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Work from New Mexico State University and successfully completed her certification from the Gerontology Center at Georgia State University.

Es did not hesitate to help them or anyone in need which was demonstrated in her work with the AIDS Research Consortium of Atlanta, Center Director of the Ebenezer ADR Center as well as a Girl Scout leader and active participant at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church, where she has been a member since 1972.

Of all of her many achievements, she was most proud of her family. Relishing the time with them brought her happiness. Seeing them and exploring the world with them brought her joy.

During her journey, her Catholic faith nurtured her and helped her to be the encouraging mother of those she leaves behind: Her six children: Valerie Lister of Reston, Va.; Victoria Dorsey of Decatur, Ga.; Vivien Dorsey of Miami Beach, Fl.; Verah Turner of Conyers, Ga; Valentine Dorsey II of Louisville, KY and Vernetta Dorsey of Portland, Or. Her three grandchildren: Jessica and Harrison Lister of Reston, Va. and Rebecca Dorsey of Louisville as well as her sons and daughters-in-law: Tim, Harry, Brenna and Laura. She also leaves a sister, Nannye Talton (Charles) of Okmulgee, OK. She is also the beloved aunt with numerous nieces and nephews.

Thursday, October 5, 2017 at 5:30pm - Family Visitation, 6:30pm - Rosary 7:00pm - Vigil Service at Gregory B. Levett and Sons Funeral Home. 4347 Flat Shoals Parkway Decatur, GA 30034

Services will be held on Friday, October 6, 2017 at 10:30 AM at Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church-2560 Tilson Rd, Decatur, GA.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

OCT 6. 10:30 AM (ET)

Saints Peter and Paul Parish
2560 Tilson Rd
decatur, GA 30032

Tribute Wall



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Espinetta Exzetta Dorsey.*



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“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Espinetta Exzetta Dorsey.*



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