



## Martha L Williams

December 15, 1930 - January 4, 2025

Martha Luella Williams was born on December 15, 1930, to the late Vergian and Jodie Wise of Lithonia, Georgia. She was the youngest and last surviving child of six siblings. On January 4, 2025, she peacefully transitioned, leaving behind a legacy of love, faith, and community that will continue to inspire all who knew her.

Martha spent her early years on Evans Mill Road in Lithonia before moving to Flat Rock Road. From humble beginnings, she worked in the cotton fields and helped care for her siblings. At the age of 21, she married and moved to Conyers, Georgia. In 1959, she remarried and relocated to Ellenwood, Georgia, where she raised four of her six children.

Martha worked at the Army & Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) Distribution Center, retiring after 15 years of dedicated service. She was a pillar of her community and a role model of resilience and grace. A devoted member of Flat Rock United Methodist Church, Martha attended Bruce Street Elementary during her childhood. In the 1940s, educational opportunities for Black children were limited, and high school

was not an option. However, in a triumphant moment 63 years later, Martha received her high school diploma during a special ceremony at the Flat Rock Archives Black History Program—a testament to her determination and pride in her heritage.

Known for her unshakable faith, Martha was a “strong tower” who lived by the Word of God. Each morning, before stepping out of bed, she boldly proclaimed, “This is the day the Lord has made; I shall rejoice and be glad in it.” Her days were filled with prayer and thanksgiving, embodying a deep and unwavering trust in God.

Martha was a woman of many talents. She had a passion for gardening and took great joy in planting vibrant vegetable gardens that were admired by neighbors and visitors alike. Her elegance and impeccable style earned her the title “Grand Diva,” and her radiant personality led many to lovingly call her “Ms. Sweet.”

Martha’s driveway and home were sanctuaries of warmth, laughter, and love, welcoming all who entered.

Her greatest gift, however, was her unconditional love. Whether with family, friends, or strangers, Martha poured out love in abundance, leaving an indelible mark on everyone she encountered.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Nathaniel Williams, and children, Michael Williams, Joyce S.

Williams, Audrey R. Williams, and Derrick L. Williams.

Martha’s legacy will be cherished by her children, Gayle Wise Meadows (Cecil Meadows, Sr.), Deacon

Garrett Hall, Sr. (Ann Hall), Ricky Williams, Daphne Goodman (Michael Goodman), Michelle Bacon

(Lawrence Bacon), Monica Williams (granddaughter), and Nathan Williams (grandson), along with her son-in-love, Jeffery Williams, and daughter-in-love, Karan Lawyer. She was also preceded in death by her children, Audrey R. Williams and Derrick L. Williams, whose memories she treasured deeply throughout her life. She is also survived by 12 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, five great-great-grandchildren, and a host of other relatives and friends. Martha Luella Williams will forever remain in our hearts as a woman of faith, love, and grace. Her extraordinary life serves as a beacon of light and a reminder of the power of prayer, resilience, and unconditional love. She will be deeply missed but never forgotten.

# Cemetery Details

## Flat Rock Cemetery

4252 Flat Road  
Stonecrest, GA. 30038

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 17. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Rainbow Park Baptist Church  
2941 Columbia Drive  
Decatur, GA 30034

## Celebration of Life

JAN 18. 1:00 PM (ET)

Flat Rock Community Church  
4542 Evans Mill Rd  
lithonia, GA 30038

# Tribute Wall



“ *Kayla Samone lit a candle in memory of Martha L Williams*



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**Kayla Samone** - March 26, 2025 at 11:23 PM



“ *I miss you...love you!!*



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**Kay** - March 14, 2025 at 09:39 AM



“ *There's never a right time to say goodbye. No matter how much time and preparation, fun times and memories we have to last us, it's just never the right time. Grandma was a person that you could always count on, she could make you laugh, knew how to make mean pound cake, and was always down for a good trip to one of Wind Creeks locations (iykyk)*



*Our family lost an extraordinary matriarch on Jan. 4, but we must continue her legacy! The new matriarchs are ready to take on this new role and with your grace and guidance, they will not fail. We love you so much girly, and I promise you that you are on our minds and in our hearts daily. Love you Lil Martha!!* 🍫❤️

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**Kayla Samone** - January 21, 2025 at 03:52 PM

DA

“ 🥺🙏❤️ We said our final good byes. I could never thank you enough for being our village, supporting my mom by doing all you could to help raise us with dignity and morality. You are truly missed already. Your legacy lives on not just with your family but within your community.  
I love you Grandma ❤️ 🥺🙏

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**Dajah** - January 19, 2025 at 01:32 PM

NW

“ Tomorrow is our final Good Bye 🥺 I'm going to miss you so much. I love you and thank you for the 30years that I had with you on this earth. You were an awesome Great Grandmother who we could all call on. Love you Sweets until we meet again!!

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**Nate' Williams** - January 17, 2025 at 10:24 PM

JA

“ I didn't know Ms Martha like I knew Ma B, her mother  
Gayle and family please know that you have our unconditional love and support for you at this time  
So sorry we won't be able to make it to Georgia  
Will see you later  
I might add that before my mom passed Gayle took great care of her and that will always be appreciated by the Meadows Family  
I sure she took after Ms Martha and all her sweetness that she gave to my mom  
Sister in law of Gayle  
Josephine Meadows Allen

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**jo Allen** - January 17, 2025 at 01:16 PM

MB

“ To my Queen my Mom my everything. No a minute, hour or day that goes by that I don't think of you . Your word your wisdom that you leave with us. Rest in Peace Ms. Sweet .  
Love you ❤️

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**Michelle Bacon** - January 14, 2025 at 11:29 AM

VW

“ Virginia Wilson sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Martha L Williams



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**Virginia Wilson** - January 13, 2025 at 07:20 PM

MW

“ Monica Williams lit a candle in memory of  
Martha L Williams



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**Monica Williams** - January 11, 2025 at 11:16 PM

MW

*I wouldn't be the woman I am today had it not been for you rest in peace Grandma* 💜

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**Monica Williams** - January 11, 2025 at 11:23 PM

AR

“ *I miss you so much*



**Ashley Rounds** - January 10, 2025 at 11:08 AM

EC

“ *Ms. Martha you will truly be miss, the little time we had together while I was taken care of you was an honor. You were an amazing person and funny, you always made me smile. Now no more pain or suffering God have you now and I know you are rejoicing. To the family I'm send my condolences and love and may God give each and one of you comfort during this difficult time. God Bless 🙏❤️❤️*

*Erica Hall Clover  
Agape Hospice Care*

**Erica Hall Clover** - January 09, 2025 at 04:42 PM

EM

*Mrs Martha you will be truly. missed you were one of our strong strong pillows in our community. We love you but GOD LOVE YOU more rest in peace.*

**Edna Mosley** - January 17, 2025 at 09:29 AM



“ *Kayla Samone lit a candle in memory of Martha L Williams*



**Kayla Samone** - January 09, 2025 at 02:54 PM

KA

“ I can't believe I'm trying to form words to type for *THIS* occasion, but it is an honor. You lived a long, beautiful, and amazing life and I will forever cherish the woman that you were. Your passing came to make the family stronger in our own individual way and I promise we will do that. I love you so much grandma and this is incredibly hard, but day by day, minute by minute, and second by second, we will make it through. I love you so much and please continue to rest in your fathers arms I love you Marta Marta



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**Kay** - January 09, 2025 at 02:49 PM

AW

“ Ms. Sweet you left your mark on your family. You showed us the meaning of love and what being a family was all about. I enjoyed all the priceless moments we shared. Ms. Sweet I will forever love you.

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**Amber Wood** - January 09, 2025 at 01:32 PM

DC

“ To Our Queen Ms.Sweet , you lived a beautiful 94 years and during that time you poured into your family like no other. The patience you had when teaching us , serving us and just being there when we needed you is truly unforgettable. I am so grateful for all the wisdom and morals you instilled in us. We thank you , we love you and we cherish you forever My Love  
JOB WELL DONE ❤️🕊️  
Forever in our hearts



Dajah C - January 09, 2025 at 10:35 AM

AR

*This is beautiful!*

Ashley Rounds - January 09, 2025 at 12:55 PM

KL

“ You exemplified the meaning of "selfless love" vs. selfish love you gave so much to others in many ways without seeking a return, and you also defined what true humility means, you were never arrogant or displayed a sense of entitlement, humility is a symbol of God, grace that attracts more of Gods Grace as a result he allowed you in our lives for 94 years. I will always cherish my 44 years of being in your life, RIH Granddiva , your daughter in love Karan Lawyer

Karan Monee Lawyer - January 09, 2025 at 08:10 AM

AR

“ *I wasn't ready for you to leave. I am going to miss you, but I thank God for the time we shared. I love you Grandma*



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**Ashley Rounds** - January 08, 2025 at 12:31 PM