



Thelma Slater

July 5, 1930 - October 29, 2020

Thelma Slater, 90, of Tucker, GA passed on Thursday October 29, 2020. Visitation will be held on Wednesday November 4 from 4-6PM. Please express your condolences here on our website. Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home and Crematory Inc. 4347 Flat Shoals Parkway Decatur, GA 30034 (404) 241-5656.

Obituary

Thelma Turner Slater, 90, of Tucker, Georgia, entered into eternal rest on October 29, 2020.

Thelma was born in Red Bank, NJ, on July 5, 1930. She was the only daughter of Sherley and Ethel Wilson Turner. Thelma graduated from Red Bank High School and went on to receive her Bachelor's in Music from Hampton Institute, now known as Hampton University, in 1951. While teaching, she attended Teacher's College of Columbia University in New York City, where she obtained her Master's in Music Education.

Thelma married Master Sgt. Paul W. Slater in 1961.

As a military wife, Thelma was afforded the opportunity to hold many teaching positions in the United States and abroad. Among the many places were Rustburg, Virginia; Storer College, Harpers Ferry, West Virginia; Dania Beach,

Florida; El Paso, Texas; Munich, Germany; Wiesbaden, Germany; and finally, in New Jersey at Matawan, Eatontown and Neptune. She retired from the Neptune Township School District in 1998, after many years of dedicated service there.

Thelma's accomplishments and organizational affiliations are vast. She lent her musical talents wherever needed and loved what she did. She especially loved working with the young. Whenever asked how she was doing, her response was always a resounding "BLESSED".

Thelma was a loyal member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and a past Worthy Matron of Eastern Star Prince Hall Affiliated. She was the visionary leader of the Annual Black History Month Community Musical Celebration at St. Augustine's Episcopal Church in Asbury Park, New Jersey. Thelma was very proud to hear how the program continued to grow.

Thelma relocated to Decatur, Ga. in 2006 to be near her beloved brother Alvin. While in Decatur, Thelma worshipped at The Episcopal Church of Holy Cross in Decatur, Ga, yet remained faithful to her home church, St. Augustine's Episcopal.

Thelma was a part of the 'Jive Five', consisting of the late Lillian Williams and Willie Robinson, along with Zara Peters-Wynn, Janice Keener and herself. Thelma enjoyed traveling and was an avid reader, especially romance novels.

Thelma was predeceased by her husband Paul, her parents and her only brother Delmar Alvin Turner.

She leaves to cherish many wonderful memories among her family: Sister-in-law Mrs. Eva Turner, Georgia; cousins Mrs. Audrey Robertson, Dr. Susan Alston and Steven Robertson, New Jersey; and friends: Ms. Zara Peters-

Wynn, Florida; Ms. Yvette Jones, Georgia; Mrs. Thomasina F. Savage, New Jersey; Tony and Karen Williams, Georgia, along with other friends and associates. Special thanks

and gratitude to Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Hill of Decatur, Georgia for all the love they showed her.

“Blessed Are the Pure In Heart, For They Shall See God”

Matthew 5:8, NKJ

Visitation will be livestream on Wednesday from 4-6PM

Due to COVID restriction everyone must wear a mask when entering the chapel.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 4. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

South DeKalb Chapel
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Decatur, GA 30034
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Tribute Wall



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Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory, Inc. - November 04, 2020 at 04:33 PM



“ *We can't begin to imagine what you are feeling, but please let us share our heartfelt condolences. God comfort us through his word the Bible and the gift of prayer. With caring thoughts.*

Evans family - November 07, 2020 at 10:56 AM



I was just looking Miss later up on Google and I'm so sorry to hear that she had passed and I totally missed even knowing that you had passed my father always said she was such a lady I wish I could have talked to her and her I hadn't heard from her much since my mother passed away and guess would help to know that this is Celeste Taylor my mother is Georgette my father was Joe Taylor and Thelma was a regular at my parents house in Asbury Park and she was greatly respected by both of them I'm sorry to hear about her passing. When she moved I didn't have her new phone number sorry I wasn't able to get in touch with her I'm so sorry I'm so sorry she was a great person and she was truly a lady God bless you all

Celeste Taylor - November 11, 2021 at 12:01 AM