



Mayola Phelps Filer

March 16, 1917 - September 23, 2020

Long-lived Matriarch, Mrs. Mayola Phelps-Filer age 103, passed away September 22nd, 2020 at UF Shands Hospital. Mrs. Filer was a member of Greater New Hope Baptist Church where she served on the Mother' Board, as Church Secretary, and President of the Choir. She was a member of the Female Protective Temple where she served until her health failed.

She is survived by her children, Olin Scott, Charles Washington, both of Gainesville, FL, Joe Edward Washington, Mary Rhodes, both of Alachua, FL, and Alma Howell(David), Jasper, FL, twelve grandchildren, numerous great grandchildren, and great, great grandchildren.

Graveside Services for Mrs. Phelps-Filer will be held 11:00am, Saturday, September 26, 2020 at Newnansville Cemetery, Alachua, FL, Rev. I.L. Williams, Eulogist. Arrangements entrusted to Chestnut Funeral Home, Inc., 18 N.W, 8th Avenue, Gainesville, FL.

Mrs. Phelps-Filer will repose in the Chestnut Memorial Chapel on Friday, September 25, 2020 from 2:00pm until 4:30pm and 6:00pm until 8:00pm at Greater New Hope Baptist Church, and on Saturday at Graveside from 10:00am until the hour of Service. Family and friends are asked to meet at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary Rhodes, 10302 N.W. 206th Avenue, Alachua, FL at 10:15am to form the Cortège.

Social distancing and wearing facial masks are still a county wide Order, please be aware and follow the Order inside and outside of any facility. If you do not have a facial mask, one will be provided for you by a Member of Chestnut Funeral Home Staff.

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Tribute Wall

PM

“ Patricia Lee, MBA lit a candle in memory of Mayola Phelps Filer



Patricia Lee, MBA - September 25, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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“ Though your mom had a remarkably long life, I know you will still feel her loss greatly. With Deepest Sympathy,

Heather Harrell - September 25, 2020 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Not only is she a Queen she was my high fashion model. In her 80's she was kind enough to have her and her family participate as models in "A Fashion Affaire" the annual fundraiser we had when I served as Board Chair for Pleasant Place. She shined brightly as the most beautiful, elegant, and classy model in the show. People were inspired, in awe and remember her to this day. What a mother, what a servant of God, what a Queen. We will miss you. Rest in love...ours and Gods. My deepest sympathy to your children, I know it is a difficult transition for them.



Patricia Lee, MBA - September 25, 2020 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Ms. Phelps was a very kind and caring person. She will be truly missed. Bruce M. Smith

bruce smith - September 25, 2020 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ I'm lost for word when it comes to Grandma the short time I spent with her I will never forget . When I got the text from her Granddaughter Barbara I didn't wanna believe that Grandma was gone and no matter my short time in her company I must say it was a blessing and I thank God for letting me meet and witness the most Strong Black warrior that's what Grandma was. You will be missed but your strength, Your wisdom, and that power in that little Black Woman that would stand up for the truth no matter WHAT and look you in your face when you were wrong with no fear and let you know it..... You will always be to us that power house Grandma. Love you Grandma and Thank you..... LaLa

Sakinah Muhammad - September 24, 2020 at 12:00 AM