



Mrs. Edith S. Poole

March 9, 1934 - April 2, 2018

“Who can find a virtuous woman , for her price is far above rubies”
(Proverbs 31:10, NKJV)

Edith S. Poole was born March 9, 1934 in Alexandria, Virginia to the late Rosie and Dell Shorter. She went home to be with the Lord on April 2, 2018 at Virginia Hospital Center.

Edith Poole was a powerful woman of faith who loved to serve the Lord. Her strength, commitment and dedication to excellence was evident in everything she did – personally and professionally.

Her professional career spanned 30+ years of service as a Computer Programmer Analyst with the federal government. In addition to the number of highly classified assignments for the Department of Defense and the US Navy, she is credited with writing the computer program for what we now call the Automated Teller Machine (ATMs) as well as the records management system for the Archivist of the United States. Ms. Poole was a trail blazer in all respects. She was the first black female to integrate City Hall in Old Town Alexandria as a programmer analyst in the early 1960s. Her commitment to excellence was also demonstrated in her love for Christ and his word.

Edith loved the Lord and she loved God’s word. She would tithe 10 percent of

her time every day reading His word and praying. She was an intercessory prayer warrior who believed in the power of prayer. Friends and family would always call her for a word of prayer and spiritual guidance. Edith was also a giver. If you needed it, she would give it or find a way to make it happen. She was an avid organizer who could amass resources to respond to people in crisis. During Hurricanes Hugo and Andrew she organized the local community working with Pastor John J. Nicholas from St. Johns and other leaders in the community to personally deliver food and clothing to the people of Charleston, SC and Macon, Georgia. The Holy Spirit in her was evident by the impact she made on everyone she met. She had a heart for those who were sick and shut-in. Each month she would send cards to those who were sick and shut-in from the names of parishioners from both Mt. Olive and Mt. Zion Baptist Churches. Her love for Christ was also evident in the love she showered on her family.

She always gave us her very best and she expected the very best from us! We love and miss her dearly. She is survived by three children, Joseph Marshall, Jr. (wife Dyane), Renita Mitchell, and Renee Williams (husband Chris), 19 grandchildren, 27 great-grand children, and 5 great-great grand children. She is preceded in death by two sons: Derrick Marshall and Ronald Marshall.

Cemetery Details

Pleasant Valley Memorial Park

8420 Little River Tpke.
Annandale, VA 22003

Previous Events

Viewing

APR 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Zion Baptist Church
3500 19th Street South
Arlington, VA 22204

funeral service

APR 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Zion Baptist Church
3500 19th Street South
Arlington, VA 22204

Interment

APR 12 (ET)

Pleasant Valley Memorial Park
8420 Little River Tpke.
Annandale, VA 22003

Tribute Wall



“ *Phillip Bell Sr. and Winona Morrissette-Johnson Funeral Service, P.A. created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Edith S. Poole*



Phillip Bell Sr. and Winona Morrissette- - April 07, 2018 at 07:11 PM



“ *I miss you so much i wish heaven had visiting hours*

Nikki Chica - November 20, 2022 at 02:03 PM



“ *I love you Mrs. Poole like you were my Mother. Your 4th son. Chris Williams*

Chris Williams - April 08, 2018 at 10:29 PM



“ 21 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Phillip Bell Sr. and Winona Morrissette- - April 07, 2018 at 06:03 PM