



Ollie Allen

May 7, 1922 - May 12, 2017

On the morning of May 12, 2017, at "The Orchards at Belle Harbour," an independent senior living community, located in Suffolk, VA; God called his faithful servant and family Matriarch, Ollie O'Neal Allen to her final resting place. Ollie was predeceased by her husband and faithful companion of 65 years, the late Horace S. Allen, Sr. Ollie was born in Pomaria, a poor, small town located in Newberry County, South Carolina to James "Doc" (father) and Carrie C. Glasgow (mother). Ollie was the 9th of 12 children. During her younger years, Ollie was a self-proclaimed "tom-boy" nicknamed "Tally Gal." She loved hanging out with her father, farming and taking care of the livestock. She would always tell stories of how she enjoyed climbing trees, playing in the fields, and running through the watermelon patches to hide and eat watermelon behind her father's back. Due to segregation laws of her era, Ollie was forced to stop attending school in the 6th grade and earn a living for herself by assisting on her family's farm and taking on domestic jobs. At age 17, Ollie relocated to Newport News, VA with her sister Leola where she met a young shipyard worker named Horace. Shortly thereafter, Ollie and Horace would marry and go on to pursue a life together. After the birth of her second child Horace Jr., Ollie would land several domestic jobs where she would become a house keeper and a nanny for the children of a doctor and other prominent figures in the community. In her 50's after raising her 7th child, Ollie obtained her driver's license and started selling clothes and antiques out of the trunk of her car to earn some extra cash. As her inventory expanded, Ollie

would move on to become an entrepreneur, opening her first of many thrift stores, "Allen's Thrift Shop," on High Street in Portsmouth, VA.

Ollie remained a business owner until she was in her early to mid-80's when she became too elderly to maintain it on her own. After her husband passed in April 2006, she continued fostering her family as a missionary, encouraging her children to maintain the spiritual values instilled by her and her husband. Ollie lived out the remainder of her life as a widow until she passed. Ollie was predeceased by James "Doc" Glasgow (father), Carrie C. Glasgow (mother), five sisters: Viola Doretha Means, Ethel Louise Alston, Nezzie Glasgow, Leola Cousar, Willease Glasgow, five brothers: Gilbert Glasgow, Pews Glasgow, Willie "Mac" Glasgow, James "L.c." Glasgow, Bill Glasgow, her husband Horace S. Allen, one son Bruce O. Allen (Florence), one son-in-law Edward Lee Stephenson, one grandson Robert Wayne Brantley, Jr. (Shandale), one granddaughter-in-law Dacia Stephenson, and one great-granddaughter Jasmine White. She leaves to cherish her memory her sister, Ella Mae Wright, her children, Horace S. Allen Jr. (Helen) of Portsmouth, Wayne A. Allen (Brenda), and Grayland T. Allen (Tatiana) both of Georgia, Shirley M. Stephenson of Stafford, VA and Bonnie L. Barnes (Griffin Phillips). Grandchildren include Erik Stephenson, Derek Stephenson, Lori Allen, Monica Ross, Rodney Allen, Benita Watson, Kevin Allen, Felicia Allen, Jenard Allen, LaCretia Marshall, Carlton White, Ashlee Allen, Chris Hill, Justin Crumity, Daron Crumity, 33 great-grandchildren, 3 great-great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, family, and friends. Also left to cherish her memory are host of special caregivers and a special daughter, Georgette "Gee Gee" Chambers.

Cemetery Details

Albert G Horton Jr. Veterans Memorial Cemetery

5310 Milner's Road
Suffolk, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 18. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
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Chesapeake, VA 23323
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Service

MAY 19. 10:00 AM (ET)

J. T. Fisher Funeral Services Chapel
1248 N. George Washington Hwy
Chesapeake, VA

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Ollie Allen



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - May 18, 2017 at 02:58 PM

SB

“ Bonnie, Praying for you and your family during the loss of your mother. Sinese

Sinese Brooks - May 22, 2017 at 01:05 PM

FW

“ My condolences for you and your family.
Keeping the family in prayer.



Faith Wheeler - May 19, 2017 at 11:09 AM

MS

“ I will always remember your strength but your love is above all words. You truly were a Proverbs 31 woman. We will remember your love.



Michele Simpson - May 19, 2017 at 09:51 AM

RF

“ Rhonda Bell & Family lit a candle in memory of Ollie Allen



Rhonda Bell & Family - May 18, 2017 at 04:49 PM



“ 32 files added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - May 18, 2017 at 01:38 PM

MC

“ Mary R Chapman lit a candle in memory of Ollie Allen



Mary R Chapman - May 18, 2017 at 12:55 PM

RM

“ Rita Miles lit a candle in memory of Ollie Allen



Rita Miles - May 18, 2017 at 12:28 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ollie Allen.



May 18, 2017 at 12:22 PM

KW

“ Kamilah And Kaylee White lit a candle in memory of Ollie Allen



Kamilah and Kaylee White - May 18, 2017 at 10:07 AM


Darlean
Clark

“ Darlean Clark lit a candle in memory of Ollie Allen



Darlean Clark - May 18, 2017 at 07:24 AM

BW

“ *Bobbi Williams lit a candle in memory of Ollie Allen*



Bobbi Williams - May 18, 2017 at 05:52 AM

MB

“ *Mattie R Briscoe lit a candle in memory of Ollie Allen*



mattie r briscoe - May 18, 2017 at 05:44 AM

BC

“ *Condolences sent to family*

Brenda Clinton - May 17, 2017 at 08:17 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ollie Allen.*



May 17, 2017 at 04:44 PM

RH

“ *RHODA HARRIS lit a candle in memory of Ollie Allen*



RHODA HARRIS - May 17, 2017 at 01:44 PM

CP

“ *Bonnie,
My condolences go out to you and your family of the loss of your mother. My prayers will be with you. Stay strong because that's what your mother would want. She's not suffering anymore she's in a better place.*

Cordelia Perry

Cordelia Perry - May 17, 2017 at 04:27 AM