



Mrs. Claudia Mae Jackson

August 3, 1929 - June 24, 2022

The Life of Claudia Mae Wattleton Jackson

"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

Phillipians 4:13

Claudia Mae Wattleton Jackson, daughter of William Lee and Willie Mae Wattleton was born in Anniston (Calhoun County), Alabama on August 3, 1929. She began her Christian journey early and at a small community church in Alabama. Here her Foundation of Faith was laid. Claudia's education began in the Alabama school system. She moved to Florida, completed her high school years, and went on to attend college on a work scholarship. She was very proud that she worked her way through college.

Claudia graduated from Florida A&M University in Tallahassee, FL. After graduation, she worked at the Florida Correctional Girls School. She was honored in the Elementary Education Book for the State of Florida. The experience of helping and instructing these young women would lead her to her lifelong occupation of being an educator. Claudia moved from Florida to Milwaukee and continued her

professional career. Her first assignment was at Ninth Street Elementary School where she spent 20 years. From there, she went on to the former South 67th Street School for 13 years. Claudia held the honor of being the Teacher of the Year for 1971.

While in Milwaukee,. she joined St. Matthew CME Church and became a very active member. She was involved with many departments within the church including Superintendent of Sunday School. It was here that she met the love of her life, Mr. Luther Jackson. He and Miss Claudia Wattleton were married on June 25, 1960.

If you knew Claudia Jackson at all, you knew that she was very independent and very well organized. All plans were made to the very last detail. Claudia was always full of ideas and was a teacher even after retirement. When you came to visit, she always welcomed you with a specially prepared dish served on beautiful tableware and matching napkins.

Claudia felt that each person should make a list of twenty things they enjoyed doing ! Her personal list included: Praying, working, listening to TV Ministries, listening to the radio, talking on the phone, singing, working around the house, giving things away, sleeping, gardening, cooking, putting together cookbooks, decorating, changing things around. cleaning up, making good food, writing to others, paying bills, reading the word, and getting daily mail. Her hobbies were numerous as well and she enjoyed: Upholstery, hat making, photography, calligraphy, airbrushing, cake decorating, sewing, quilt

making and scrap books.

We, the family and friends of Claudia M. Jackson, do thank God for every moment of her life. We are thankful that God gave her intellect, a love for others, as well as a sense of humor that included many funny stories about her life experiences.

On June 24, 2022, this strong woman of faith was called home. She was dedicated to her walk with Christ until the very end of her life's journey. Claudia is now resting in her Savior's arms.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband Luther; her parents, William and Willie Mae Wattleton; her sister-in-law, Dora Wattleton.

Her memory will forever be cherished by her family and friends, including her devoted brothers, William Wattleton of Milwaukee WI, Edgar (Wanda) Wattleton of Tucson AZ; adopted sister Pat Staples; nieces and nephews, Marion Stacey (Derrick) Scott: Dorethea Booker, Preston Wattleton, David Wattleton.

Michael Wattleton, Connie Bates, Scheryl (Ron) Fancher, and Gregory Wattleton, Carolyn West, Evelyn (Renfro) Tate, Melca (Wayne) Wallace, Geneva Dillon, Booker T. Jackson Jr., LaPlace (Debra) Jackson, Jr.; a host of beloved great and great-great nieces and nephews; cousins; and, very dear friends.

Cemetery Details

VA Union Grove Cemetery

21731 Spring Street
Union Grove, WI

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 9. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Matthew CME Church
2944 N. 9th Street
Milwaukee, WI

Funeral Service

JUL 9. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Milwaukee, WI

Tribute Wall

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“ My sincerest condolences to the family. When I met Mrs. Claudia Jackson in 2014 and she took to me to help her with her care and housekeeping for two and a half years, she taught me to make different types of cakes, and desserts, set and dress her dining table in the many different holiday themes every month, she gave me a recipe book she created that I still add different recipes too. She was very giving with wisdom and gifts. Her sharing her wisdom and wittiness I learned a great deal of life skills. I would tease her and call her the "Black Martha Stewart" and she would get upset with me and give me a witty come back how Martha couldn't measure up. Truly grateful to God I met her in this lifetime.



LaTrese "Nikki" Higgins - November 05, 2024 at 01:43 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Claudia Mae Jackson.



July 08, 2022 at 08:17 PM

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“ An educator well beyond her years in the classroom.
A tremendous sense of humor.
She always had a good story to share.
Aunt C.J. was an avid collector and home decorator.
Aunt Claudia was much loved and will be missed.
Dion and Bernadine

Bernadine - July 04, 2022 at 10:36 AM

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Beautiful memories to cherish, always willing to give, Bonnie

Bonnie Gray - July 09, 2022 at 10:07 AM