

Pallbearers

Clifford Tillman Christopher Smith Marcus Sean Smith Gabriel Jackson

Floral Attendants

Ushers and Friends

Expressions of Gratitude

The family would like to thank all who have shown love and concern during the transition of our dear loved one, Saint Rachel Bell. We pray the richest blessings upon all of you for your kind acts of sympathy and love.

The Family

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free, I'm following the path God laid for me. I took his hand when I heard his call, I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day, To laugh, to love, to work, to play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I've found that peace at the close of the day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered jou. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Ah yes, these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My Life's been full, I savoured much, Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch, Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free.



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Obituary

Rachel Bell was born November 24, 1918, to the late Joe and Lillie Bell Simmons. She was the 6th child of that union. Rachel loved school but stopped in the 3rd grade to help out in the home.

Rachel met and married Raymond Artis Sr. From this union two children were

born, Raymond Jr. and Betty. Rachel was creative and started making her own clothes. After marrying her second husband Otis Bell, Rachel became a seamstress. They owned and managed many cleaners in Brooklyn N.Y. and Savannah Ga.

Rachel attended The United House Of Prayer For All People, where she became a Queen at the tender age of fifteen years old. Rachel was an active member of the Queen Board until her transition Home. Rachel loved to sit in the front seat in church to really enjoy the bands. Rachel worked at Tideland for twelve years.

Rachel lived along and prosperous life. Her mother and father Joe and Lillie Bell Simmons, all her brothers and sisters Georgia, Eland, Theresa, Richard, Clifford, Joe Jr., her husband Otis Bell, her son Raymond Jr., and her great grandson Tashawn Qualls preceded her in death.

She leave to cherish her memories, her one and only daughter, Betty Artis Smith; adopted son, Thomas (Tonya); seven grandchildren, Leslie (Michael) of Fort Worth TX, Gregory (Mary) of Dothan AL, Gwendolyn (Kevin) of Wilkes-Barre, PA, Charles (Angie), Marcus (Teresa) of Rahway, NJ, Sean (Rosa) of Hayward, CA, and Christopher (Crystal) of Edison, NJ; 14 great grandchildren, 20 great-great grandchildren, 5 Great-great-great grandchildren; 2 special sisters-in-law, Carrie and Doll; and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.



Order of Service

Processional

Hymn: Elder Hall

Old Testament: Elder Gregory Johnson New Testament: Elder Smoak

Prayer: Elder Dudley

Eastern Star Resolution: Angela Sistrunk

Selection: Mccollough Majestics

Solo: Sister Liz Davis

Selection: The Mother House Band

Poem: Sister Estha Simmons

Solo: Brother Tyon Berry

Solo: Brother Gabriel Jackson

Tribute From The Grandchildren

Remarks: Two minutes, please

Selection: The Mother House Band Featuring Israel Wiggins

Eulogy: Elder Taylor

Recessional

Final Resting Place
Woodville Cemetery

Repast

Please join the family for fellowship and dinner at The United House Of Prayer For All People 1805 Ogeechee Road, Sponsored By The Bailey Queen Board.