ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The family of Virginia Whitley extends their sincerest appreciation for the love, comfort, and support during this time of grief.

AFTERGLOW

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one.

I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.

I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways,

Of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.

I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun;

Of happy memories that I leave when life is done.



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IN LOVING MEMORY OF



Virginia Adleiade Eason Whitley

October 20, 1927 — September 22, 2023

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2023 ST PETER'S DISCIPLES CHURCH OF CHRIST 1011 MASSEY ST, SMITHFIELD, NC

OBITUARY

On September 22, 2023, Virginia "Adleiade" Whitley peacefully passed away at Smithfield Manor Nursing Home. Born on October 20, 1927, she was the daughter of the late Troy and Penny Eason. Adleiade was the last surviving sibling out of her 16 brothers and sisters. On October 5,1946, she married the late Charles "Edgar" Whitley, and together they had one daughter named Penalopie Carol. Adleiade was a devoted daughter, wife, mother, sister, aunt, and friend. Throughout her life, she worked as a textile worker at KR Edwards, Burlington Industries, and Smithfield Selma High School Cafeteria.

She was a lifelong member of St. Peter Church of Christ Disciples of Christ and actively participated in various church groups including the St. Peter Church of Christ No 2 Choir, Mother Board, Missionary Board, SPC Women's Club, Christian Women's Fellowship, and Goldsboro Raleigh Disciples Institute Missionary Board. Additionally, she was renowned for her exceptional baking abilities, specializing in German chocolate cake, pound cake, coconut cake, Japanese fruit cake, and her famous sweet potato pie.

She had a passion for nourishing others, and her culinary expertise shone through in her delectable fried chicken and sweet tea. Family was at the core of her being, and she prioritized spending quality time with loved ones. In her free time, she enjoyed cooking, providing comfort to the sick, and attending missionary conventions.

Sadly, she was preceded in death by her grandson Timothy Armstrong Jr

She is survived by her daughter, Minister Carol Jackson (Bossie); two grandchildren,
Natasha Armstrong (Timothy Sr) and Derrick Ruffin; four great grandchildren, Elijah
Ruffin, Jada Ruffin, Keon Ruffin, and Micaiah Armstrong. In addition to her immediate
family, she is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Presiding Apostle Hattie Stancil

Processional Bishop Richard Johnson

Congregational Song Apostle Hattie Stancil

Scriptures Old Testament: Pastor Hattie Lofton New Testament: Pastor Ernest Watson Sr.

> Prayer of Comfort Pastor Donnie Mclean

Solo Apostle Leroy Hargett

Acknowledgments and Obituary Trustee Alisa Bizzell

> Community Remarks Minister Sadie Watson

Church Remarks
St. Peter Church Mother Board/ Missionary

Family Remarks Daphney Sanders

Solo Evangelist Veronica Mial

Eulogy Bishop Richard Johnson

Thank You Message

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