



Iva Lou Aldridge

July 28, 1935 - September 6, 2015

Iva Lou Suell was born July 28, 1935 in Center, Texas to the late M.C. Suell and Annie Burth Ratcliff. Iva Lou passed peacefully into God's care on Sunday September 6, 2015. Iva Lou accepted Christ as her personal Savior at an early age.

Iva Lou attended public schools in Center Texas and graduated from C.H. Daniels High School. After graduation in 1953, she moved to Austin, Texas where she met and married the late Arthur E. Aldridge Sr. On July 31, 1959. To this union was born three sons. Iva Lou was a devoted wife and loving mother. While raising her children and taking care of her husband and home Iva Lou, together with her husband became owner-operators of the Last Stop Grocery store in 1972.

Iva Lou and Arthur joined Olivet Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor Kennedy Young Sr. where they were faithful attendants until Arthur's death and the failing of her health removed her from Olivet's pews. Even though she could not attend church due to her health she always remained a true and faithful believer. When in her presence you were sure to hear words of encouragement from Iva. She loved to talk about the Lord and sing His songs of praise, whether it was a song she knew or one that she would just make up and start singing. She loved to do hair for her family and friends but most importantly she loved her arts and crafts, gardening and sewing. She was a

member of the Phoebe Circle while at Olivet Baptist Church.

Iva Lou was preceded in death by her parents M.C Suell and Annie Burth Ratcliff her husband of 42 years Arthur E. Aldridge Sr. Two sisters, Ludie C Suell-McCowin and Exie Lou Waterhouse and one brother Rosal Suell (Bubba) one grandson Cornelius and one daughter Gwendolyn Rivers.

She leaves to celebrate her life three sons Arthur E. Aldridge Jr (Lisa) Anthony E. Aldridge (Rosilynn) and Cedric D Aldridge all of Austin Texas. One daughter Bertha Aldridge of Austin Texas. Two brothers Odie B. Suell(Ruby-deceased) of Phoenix Arizona L.B Suell(Mary)of Center Texas and one sister Gertrude Bowser(Ralph-deceased) of Austin, Texas and one brother-in-law Joe Willie Waterhouse (Exie-deceased) of Center, Texas. She also leaves to celebrate her life fifteen grandchildren Solomon Jones, Whitney Aldridge, Mattea Aldridge, Hannah Aldridge, Danielle Aldridge, Anthony Aldridge Jr., Myles Aldridge, Jaylen Aldridge, Kaidence Aldridge, Khali Aldridge, Derrick Rivers (Melissa), Darrell Rivers (Lesley), Gwendolyn Rivers (Aaron) and LaRonda Bennett-Hardin (Leslie) and twenty one great grandchildren and a host of other family members and loved ones nephews, nieces, cousins, in-laws, church family and many good friends.

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Cemetery

3304 E12th & Airport Blvd
Austin, TX 78721

Previous Events

Celebration Services

SEP **12**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Olivet Baptist Church
1179 San Bernard Street
Austin, TX 78702

Tribute Wall



“ *Iva Lou Aldridge*

October 06, 2023 at 07:08 AM