



Odessa Powell Jackson

April 5, 1912 - October 3, 2017

Deaconesses Odessa Powell Jackson was born to the parentage of Frank Powell and Lizzie Williams Powell on April 5, 1912 in Bastrop, Texas. She was the youngest of 14 children.

Deaconesses Jackson was educated in the public school system of Bastrop County. She was a domestic worker and served as a nurse's aid and a private duty nurse.

Deaconesses Jackson was the mother of many but birth on child, Mrs. Emma Jewel Stevens and raised her nephew Mr. Arthur Riggins as her son.

Deaconesses Jackson gave her life to Christ at an early age and was a staunch member of the A.M.E. Church serving in the capacities of:

Deaconesses, Stewardess, and organized the Cradle Roll at Vision of Hope A.M.E. Church Austin, Texas; Missionary, Trustee, Steward, Sunday School teacher, Sunday School secretary, Stewardess, and Pastor's aid at Young's Chapel A.M.E. Church Austin, Texas. And she served as a Stewardess, Trustee, Sunday School teacher, and Missionary, at the newly organized Jackson Chapel A.M.E. Church, Austin, Texas.

Deaconesses Jackson was preceded in death by her parents Frank and Lizzie Powell; brothers Jodie, Ellie, McCoy, and Troy Powell; sisters; Emma Powell Edwards and Idell Powell Holmes; 7 siblings who died as babies and her adopted son Arthur Riggins.

Deaconesses Jackson leaves to cherish her memory, her daughter Emma Jewel Stevens of Austin, Texas; Granddaughters, Mrs. Dawn Bishop (Charles)

of Carrollton, Texas and Reverend Pamela Rivera of Waco, Texas. Great granddaughters: Natasha Hargrove of Austin, Texas, Markeith Richburg of Austin, Texas, Vondell Hargrove (Christie) of Austin, Texas and DeShannon Knights (Littleton) of Carrollton, Texas; 15 great-great grandchildren; 16 great-great-great grandchildren; nephew, Reverend Van Powell (Ella) of San Antonio, Texas and Mr. Henry Holmes of Austin, Texas; nieces: Mrs. Jessie Mae Norwood of Austin, Texas and Ms. Ann Armstrong of Las Vegas, Nevada; extended family and friends.

Deaconesses Jackson was the backbone of her family Her loving kindness, wisdom, dedication and faithfulness will be missed.

Cemetery Details

Cook-Walden Capital Parks

14501 IH 35
Pflugerville, TX 78660

Previous Events

Viewing

OCT **6**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

King-Tears Mortuary, Inc.
1300 East 12th Street
Austin, TX 78702

Celebration Service

OCT **7**. 3:00 PM (CT)

Metropolitan A.M.E. Church
1101 E 10th Street
Austin, TX 78702

Tribute Wall



“ *Odessa Powell Jackson*

October 06, 2023 at 07:08 AM



“ *Odessa took care of my Grandpa Hilmer Wolf. She was so good to him and we thought of her as a part of our family. We are thankful and blessed to have known her.*

Laurie

Laurie Breen - October 06, 2017 at 06:21 PM



“ *Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Odessa Powell Jackson.*



October 05, 2017 at 10:47 AM