



Doris M. Adams

August 29, 1924 - September 20, 2015

Doris M. Adams, 91, went home to be with the Lord Sunday, September 20, 2015. She was a retired nurse and lived most of her life in Ohio. She moved to Alabama in 2001. She was a member of The Sanctuary in Bessemer, AL. She is survived by daughters, Elizabeth Willoughby Wilson and Rebecca M. Willoughby; sons, William E. (Diola) Willoughby and James S. (Cathy) Willoughby; 9 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Joe Ben Adams; daughters, Melody Ann Willoughby and Susan Willoughby Smith. Visitation will be Tuesday, September 22, 2015, from 1 p.m. until 2 p.m. with a Celebration of Life at 2 p.m. at The New Gardendale Funeral Home with Rev. Todd Bertram officiating. Burial will follow in Moncrief Cemetery.

Tribute Wall

KH

“ I remember Mamaw praying in the stairwell going to the basement, I remember her showing me how to run that old fashion washing system with the ringer! She used to teach me how to make things like Christmas ornaments out of yarn and we made a quilt too once with patches of old clothes. One time she made split pea soup but the pressure lid wasn't on good. It went everywhere. I remember her sitting in her rocker drinking a cup of coffee, or so you thought until you saw bubbles. She used to disguise her coca cola from the kids. After she was in the assisted living place I remember for holidays we were all there and as we left, she hugged me and stuck something wrapped up in my hands and said shhhh. It was a huge tureen and platter set for turkey or roast. I was tickled pink that she "snuck" something to me. My daughter is convinced to this day that her key lime pie is the best of all time! I love you Mamaw and can't wait to see you again someday!

Kristina M. Willoughby Henson - September 23, 2015 at 07:32 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Doris M. Adams.



September 22, 2015 at 10:10 AM

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“Doris was one of the first people we met when we moved to Puyallup, WA. She brought her family to church, but soon moved away. When she did, we bought her bedroom suite. The dresser and chest of drawers are still in our family. She was a sweet lady who won our hearts - and then lent us her son as a staff member for a time in later years. Blessings to all who will miss her so dearly. Yes, I was trying to figure out her age and was pretty close. After all we met her almost 50 years ago.

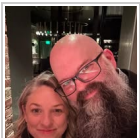
Lorraine and Gene Ziemke - September 22, 2015 at 12:55 AM

 Diola Willoughby

“Truly a Daughter of the Lord, Doris Miller Willoughby Adams, was a Hannah who raised her sons to be servants of the Lord. Just like Deborah, she was a mighty warrior taking dominion over Satan's kingdom in her faithful and powerful prayer life. As Esther, she was willing to risk all, to plead the cause of her family and church before the King of Kings. She knew sacrificial giving of the widow's two mites. Like Jochebed she hid her children from the evil attacks of the enemy. Known for her good works, she was a Lydia. Truly a Godly example of the Proverbial woman, I feel very blessed to have known her.



Diola Willoughby - September 22, 2015 at 12:31 AM



“Wish I could be there to celebrate Mamaw's home going. She was a very sweet and special lady and will be missed by many.

Joy Willoughby - September 21, 2015 at 07:39 PM

BW

“ Mamaw and I loved to go to the market and the meat store together when we lived in Ohio.

We loved to try out new recipies together. Once we made a Pumpkin Roll. It was a big deal; we thought it would take both of us. We were so serious about our task, and laughed at the end and said "what was so hard about that"? 😂

Mamaw was always winning someone to The Lord. Just now when we were cleaning out her room, we found cards with her church information , and they even had her name printed on them. Beth said she gave them out all of the time.

Mamaw loved to sing in the choir. She hated to miss practice. 😞

I'm sure anyone who knew her, knew of her baking skills. We all had our favorites; mine was apricot cake.

Mamaw and I enjoyed the same foods like: sauerkraut, and spinach. 😊

Last but not least, she was the only grandma that I ever knew. I cherished every moment that I got to spend with her. She was a jewel. RIP, Mamaw. I love you! 🙏

Barbara Wilson - September 21, 2015 at 06:53 PM

LB

“ Sis.Doris Adams: one of the greatest prayer warriors I knew. Many mornings you could hear her singing the old hymns in early morning prayer meetings. What a wonderful family she raised and taught how to live for God. I'll see you soon my friend! LINDA BURR.

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