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**A**nnie Lucy Williams was born April 3, 1930 in Marianna, Florida to Leo and Luebennie, the seventh of nine siblings. Annie accepted Jesus Christ as her personal savior at an early age in Marianna under the Pastorage of Reverend Noah Black Shear, Buckhorn Baptist Church. Annie moved from Marianna to Mobile, Alabama at an early age to live with her sister, Ernestine and brother-in-law, Nolan King. She attended Emerson Elementary School and graduated from Central High School.

After graduation Annie was proudly employed at Harry's Department Store, during which time she met the love of her life, Oscar Williams. In 1950 Oscar joined the Army to defend our country in the Korean War and the happy couple became engaged before his departure. Annie's brother-in-law, Nolan made sure that she did not forget her betrothal to Oscar by limiting any and all social interaction until his return!

One reunited, the happy couple married on April 25, 1953 and were blessed with four children who survive to cherish their mother's memory. In 1965 the family moved to Sacramento, California, along with many other families who were transferred from Brookley Air Force Base in Mobile, Alabama. Annie was a wonderful stay-at-home mother, keeping busy in the church and community. Annie instilled a love for God, a thirst for education and a heart for service in each of them, always encouraging by example to use their gifts and blessings to help others. As the children grew older she began to work outside of the the home. She always enjoyed working with the children and easily obtained employment in the Del Paso Heights School district at the elementary school level as a Teacher's aide, yard duty and cafeteria aide. She also enjoyed a very successful career as an Avon Representative and enjoyed visiting neighbors and friends, sharing the latest products and building strong, life-long relationships.



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Annie and her family searched for the church that was just right for them and found home when they joined Del Paso Union Baptist Church (DPU) in 1966. Annie really enjoyed worshipping the Lord and was a faithful and active member of DPU, participating in several ministries over the years: The Senior Usher Board, the First Aide Ministry, The Women's Auxiliary, and others. In her later years Annie was unable to attend church regularly as her arthritis affected her ability to navigate the stairs. She and her family will be forever grateful to DPU and Pastor Donnell Riggins for installing a beautiful, state-of-the art ramp to the church, which provided an opportunity for her to worship and fellowship, once more. Truly, it gave her new life and God continued to use her to bless others, and to be blessed as well.

Annie was preceded in death by her parents, Leo and Luebennie Bryant, siblings Willie L. Bryant, Robert Allen Bryant, Fannie Mae Miller and Herman Bryant. She is survived by her loving husband

of 63 years, Oscar Williams Sr., sons Oscar Williams Jr., and Derrick Williams Sr. (Kamo), daughters Deborah Snider ( Billy) and Pamela Chambers, brothers Raymond Bryant, New Jersey and Nelson Williams of New Jersey. sisters Ernestine King, Mobile, AL and Nancy Cunningham, Mobile, AL, 12 grandchildren , 5 great grandchildren along with a host of nephews, nieces and friends. She also leaves to cherish her memory Pennye Jackson, her niece of early childhood who called Annie "My other Momma".



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