



Lydia Jean Archie

October 24, 1925 - January 18, 2024

Lydia Jean Ellis-Archie (affectionately known as “Bird”) was born October 24, 1925 in Vaiden, MS to Sim and Adeline Johnson-Ellis. Of their eleven children, Lydia is the “baby girl”. Carroll County, MS is where she received formal education and during her fellowship with Jeff Chapel C.M.E. Church, Lydia made her early confession of faith in Jesus Christ. Following her migration to Toledo, OH in 1946, Lydia lived with her cousin, Mary V. Boles and her family. While residing there, Lydia was employed by a private hospital where she worked in tray service. Subsequently, Lydia became a nurse’s aide and she dearly enjoyed working with the newborn babies. She was employed at Toledo Hospital and St. Vincent.

Lydia joined Phillips Temple C.M.E. Church in Toledo. On September 1, 1962 Lydia married Booker T. Archie. To their union two children were born: Alice Lavonne (who was stillborn) and Dwayne Todd. Lydia joyfully taught children in Sunday School, sang in the Senior Choir, and most recently served the Lord’s table as a stewardess.

Lydia’s housekeeping was immaculate. She shared the maintenance of an annual vegetable garden with Booker and occasional help from Todd. She was proficient in canning and was an excellent cook who enjoyed sharing what she prepared with others. Also, she provided daycare service in her

home for

several years because she loved the children who were entrusted to her. Lydia used every opportunity she had to learn as she would attend community classes and later in life she brought her husband, Booker along with her.

Lydia Jean Archie passed away in her son's arms on January 18, 2024, at The Toledo Hospital.

Lydia was preceded in death by her husband Booker T. Archie and daughter Alice Lavonne Archie.

She leaves to cherish her memory son Dwayne Todd Archie of Toledo, OH, nephews and nieces Massie D. Slaughter of Dayton, OH, Annie Wilson of Mt. Pleasant, MI, Ibadella (Robert) Henderson of Dayton, OH, Louise "Boo" Woodley, Juanita (Roosevelt) Little, Geneva Clark, John (Linda) Wesley all of Chicago, IL, Roy Boyd, Linda Lance and Mildred Victoria Repress all of Detroit, MI, Phillip (Patricia) Boles of Toledo, OH, Robert Boles of Atlanta, GA, Barbara (Jeff) Grant-Kelly of Charlotte, NC, sisters-in-law Luretha Harris and Lonnie Pearl Archie-Yarbrough of E. St. Louis, IL, Deborah Smith of Toledo, OH, (and her sister Delores Allison) of Toledo, OH, her bonus children Sharron (Louis) Peoples of Henderson, NV, Donald Lynn Archie of Los Angeles, CA, Ronald F. Riggs of Perrysburg, OH, and the families who comprise Phillips Temple CME Church who are too numerous to name along with other family and friends whose love will never be forgotten, Doris (Dennis) Galloway, Mae Sue Cummings, Emma Bradford, Nancy Snell and Judy Hamilton.

Cemetery Details

Historic Woodlawn Cemetery

1502 West Central Avenue
Toledo, OH

Previous Events

Wake Service

JAN 30. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Phillips Temple CME
565 Palmwood Avenue
Toledo, OH 43604

Funeral Service

JAN 30. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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565 Palmwood Avenue
Toledo, OH 43604

Tribute Wall

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“ dear family of Lydia Archie: so sorry to hear of your dear lover
folling asleep in death. May you have peace and strength during this
sad time and in the days to come. Much love to your family. Peggi

peggi - January 31, 2024 at 12:04 PM

BK

“ Barbara Grant-Kelly (Jeffrey Kelly) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in
honor of Lydia Jean Archie.

Barbara Grant-Kelly (Jeffrey Kelly) - January 28, 2024 at 11:23 AM

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“ Barbara Grant-Kelly (Jeffrey Kelly) purchased the
Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of
Lydia Jean Archie.



Barbara Grant-Kelly (Jeffrey Kelly) - January 28, 2024 at 11:23
AM



“ Though my cousin, I affectionately would call you Aunt Lydia out of love and respect to the age difference. So here it goes... Aunt Lydia, you will be dearly missed. Some of my fondest memories are coming with my Grandma Mary V. Boles- your cousin- and listening to you two talk and reminisce about family long gone. My favorite favorite memory was being able to spend time with your mother who lived to be over 100 years old. You almost made it! But now you have taken your rest. Trust that I will be here for Cousin Todd and make sure he knows we are here for him. Again, I will miss you dearly.

Barbara Grant-Kelly - Charlotte, NC

Barbara Grant-Kelly - January 28, 2024 at 11:18 AM

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“ Your mom was always so kind and had that big smile. Most of all, I remember you getting her the beautiful Bible. I am certain that it brought her great joy and comfort. Thinking of you in prayer, Karlene Schumacher. I still miss the fin times ar Andersons.

karlene schumacher - January 28, 2024 at 11:14 AM

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“ Sincere condolences to the family of Lydia Archie. She was a faithful stewardess for many years at Philips Temple CME Church. Her loss is heaven's gain she will be missed. Danielle Flowers and Family.

Danielle Flowers - January 27, 2024 at 12:14 PM

TC

“ *To the Archie Family:*

With our deepest sympathy, know that we care and are continuing to keep you in our prayers. Please accept our heartfelt sympathy and condolences .

We pray that God will give you the strength to endure.

May you find peace and comfort today and the days to come.

*The Cummings Family
(Tracie, Brenda, Erwin and Mom)*

The Cummings - January 27, 2024 at 09:10 AM