



*Celebrating the Life of*

*Flora D. Matthews*



***Sunrise:**  
December 23, 1931*

***Sunset:**  
February 28, 2024*

***Thursday, March 14, 2024***

*Viewing: 10:00 a.m. | Service: 11:00 a.m.*

**From the Heart Church Ministries®**  
4949 Allentown Road | Suitland, Maryland 20746  
Bishop John A. Cherry, II - Pastor





## *Obituary*

*Flora D. Matthews* went home to be with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ on Wednesday, February 28, 2024. She left this life and was welcomed into the loving arms of our Heavenly Father where she received her wings to begin her eternal life.

Flora was born on December 23, 1931, in Connecticut to James Wills and Susiz Mosley. She had two siblings, Jimmy Wills and Lucy Wills Cason. Flora was joined in holy matrimony with her first husband, the late Edward Dozier, Sr., and from this union they had seven children.

Flora was educated in the Connecticut and Virginia Beach Public School systems. After finishing school, she developed a love for helping others which led her to nursing school where she received her certification. During her nursing tenure, Flora took care of many people as a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA). Moreover, she worked in various nursing facilities, hospitals, and private nursing homes. She also worked as a nurse assistant providing private one-on-one home care services.

In November 1985, Flora joined From the Heart Ministries® where she remained a faithful member. She was always ready to pray for and help those in need. Flora enjoyed her quiet time with the Lord, and she loved being in His house of worship. Praying to the Lord was Flora's specialty indeed. Despite her personal battles, she never stopped praying for others. She also enjoyed cooking for everyone. There was never a Sunday or a holiday when her family did not gather at the table to eat, play, laugh, and then eat some more. Flora's family, and her love and dedication to the Lord were her life.

Flora leaves to cherish her memory her loving husband of 31 years, Joseph Matthews; daughters, Renee I. Young and Suzie Bradford; sons: Edward "Bruno" Dozier, James Dozier, Sr., and Quentin Dozier, Sr.; twenty grandchildren; twenty-nine great-grandchildren; three great-great grandchildren; sister-in-law, Elfreda Wills; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

In addition to her parents, Flora was preceded in death by her daughter, Brenda Dozier and son, Derrick Dozier, Sr.



# Order of Service

**Invocation**

**Congregational Hymn** ..... “O How I Love Jesus”

**Scripture Reading**

*Old Testament: Psalm 23  
New Testament: John 14:1-6*

**Prayer of Comfort**

**Selection** ..... *FTH Psalmist*

**Acknowledgement**

**Remarks**

*Reverend Dr. Richard Wills, Nephew  
Edwina Thompson, Granddaughter  
Apostle Michael Francis, Family Friend*

**Obituary (Read Aloud)** ..... *Tanya Strivers, Great-Niece*

**Song of Preparation** ..... *FTH Psalmist*

**Message of Hope** ..... *Reverend Porter L. Lawson, Jr.*

**Call to Christ**

**Recessional**

**Interment**  
*Lincoln Memorial Cemetery  
4001 Suitland Road | Suitland, Maryland 20746*



# *Family Sentiments*

## **A Grandmother's Love**

*By Kesia "KeKe" Gurley*

*In sacred halls of grace, she found her way,  
Our grandmother so dear, who knelt to pray.*

*Her spirit soared on wings of faith,  
Guiding us all through life's uncertain race  
With tender hands, she'd gently clasp,  
A beacon of love in our earthly grasp.*

*In hymns she sang, her soul did soar,  
A melody of faith forevermore.*

*With a stern hand she guided us all  
Her love for us didn't want to see us fall,  
Often the scolding would be misunderstood.  
But we knew to respect her just as we should*

*As we lay her to rest, with tearful sighs,  
Her spirit ascends, towards heavenly skies.*

*In the embrace of God's eternal light,  
Her legacy lives on, shining ever bright.*

*In the choir of angels, she finds her part,  
A beloved grandmother, in our grateful heart.*

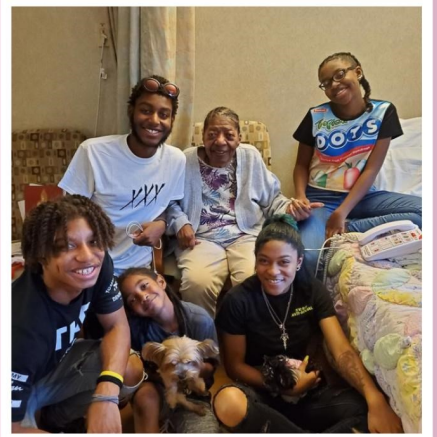
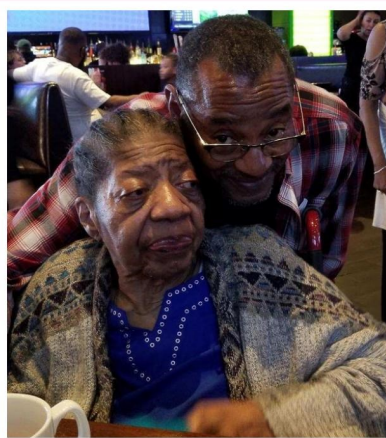
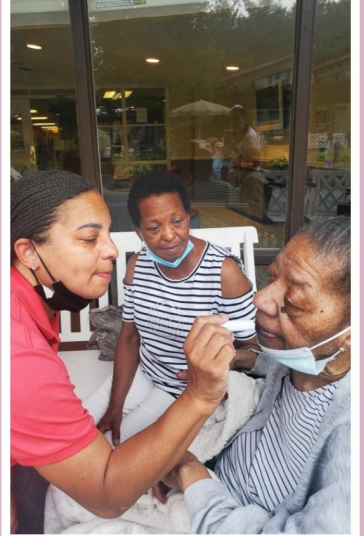
*Her kindness and love, a cherished token,  
In eternal peace, her spirit is awoken.*

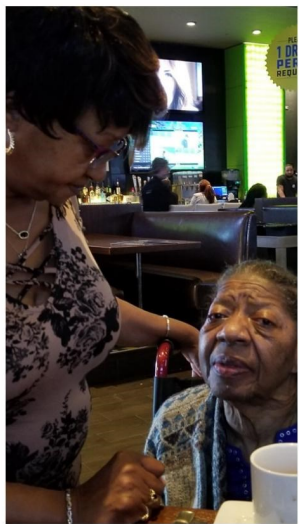
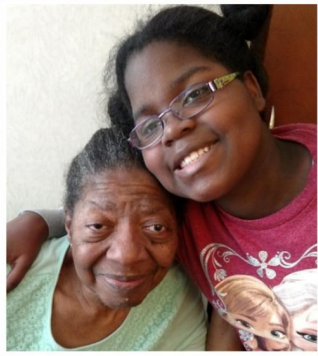
*We Love You Grandma*

*Love, The Grandchildren*











# Congregational Hymn

## O HOW I LOVE JESUS

There is a Name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth;  
It sounds like music in my ear, The sweetest Name on earth.

### *Chorus*

*O, how I love Jesus, O, how I love Jesus,  
O, how I love Jesus, Because He first loved me!*

It tells me of a Savior's love, Who died to set me free;  
It tells me of His precious blood, The sinner's perfect plea.

### *Chorus*

It tells of One whose loving heart Can feel my deepest woe,  
Who in each sorrow bears a part, That none can bear below.

### *Chorus*

## Acknowledgement

*The entire Dozier and Matthews family sincerely thank all of you for your prayers, comfort, love and support. Your many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy have been a blessing to us. May the Lord Jesus Christ bless and keep you in perfect peace!*

## Pallbearers

*James Dozier, Robert Thompson, Edwina Thompson  
Thomas Young, Malik Shaw, and Quentin Dozier*

## Flower Bearers

*Family and Friends*

## Services Entrusted to:

**Stewart Funeral Home**  
4001 Benning Road, N.E. | Washington, D.C. 20019

