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Interment  
Friendship A.M.E. Church Cemetery  
County Road 30  
Ozark, AL

The Acknowledgement  
The family of the late Woodie Grant, Jr., gratefully acknowledges the many acts of kindness shown to us during his illness and passing. The phone calls, prayers, visits, food, cards and flowers have made our bereavement journey easier to bear. May God continue to richly Bless each of you.

~~The Grant Family

Arrangements entrusted to Newman Mortuary, Inc.  
114 Harper Drive / Ozark, AL  
774-1064

# A Celebration of Life for Mr. Woodie Grant, Jr.

Sunrise: June 30, 1931



Sunset: May 23, 2019

Friday, May 31, 2019  
11:00 A. M.

St. Paul A.M.E. Church  
774 Andrews Avenue  
Ozark, AL

Rev. Fred Flowers, Officiating

### *The Obituary*

*In the early afternoon hours of May 23, 2019, Woodie Grant, Jr. began his transition from his earthly home to his heavenly home at Oakview Manor Nursing Home and completed it at Dale Medical Center, Ozark, AL. He was 87 years old.*

*Woodie was born in Eufaula, AL to the late Woodie "Will" Grant, Sr. and Nettie Allen Grant on June 30, 1931. He was the second oldest of ten siblings.*

*Woodie received his education in the public schools of Eufaula and Ozark and last attended D. A. Smith High School.*

*Woodie enlisted in the United States Army on August 16, 1950 and after basic training was assigned to the 64<sup>th</sup> Heavy Tank Battalion and served in Korea during the Korean Conflict. He was injured in combat on June 23, 1951 and medically discharged from the Army on November 30, 1951. He earned the Purple Heart and the Korean Service Medal with two Bronze Campaign Stars. As a civilian, Woodie worked at Fort Rucker for 30 years.*

*While living in Eufaula, Woodie was a member of St. Luke A.M.E. Church. After moving to Ozark, he joined St. Paul A.M.E. Church and was a faithful member for 72 years. There was nothing that he would not do for his church or pastor, if it was right. As long as his health permitted, Woodie served on the Usher Board, the Trustee Board (Trustee Emeritus) and was chairperson of the Kitchen Committee, a job he relished. He was extraordinaire in telling and showing people "what to do."*

*In addition to his parents, Woodie was preceded in death by brothers Hicks, Levy and Johnny Grant and a sister, Nettie Grant.*

*He is survived by his loving and devoted wife, M. Helen Jackson Grant; his children, Johnny "Chip" Grant, Beth (Tommy) Hillis, James (Elizabeth) Grant, Woodie Grant, III, Tommy (Danesha Nichole Thomas) Grant and Gail (Rickey) Hawkins; his grandchildren, Shaqualia Jones, Akia Grant, Asani Grant, Rauni Grant, Tarone Grant, Woodie Grant, IV, Marrell Grant, Tommy Grant, Jr., Isaiah Marco Grant, Torey Leslie, Rickey Hawkins, Jr. and Dominic Hawkins.*

*Also left to cherish his memories are his siblings, Oscar Grant, Gennie (Lois) Grant, Robert Grant, Virginia (Novell) Russell and Bettye Jean (Bobby) Whitfield; his in-laws, Melvin (Mary Sue) Jackson, Jr., Evelyn Beachem and Wilbur (Martha) Jackson. A host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends and his Church Family also survive him.*

*Special thanks to Dale Medical Center Home Health and Patti Davis and Angelia Laster for their extraordinary care of Woodie during his illness. Also, the Ozark Fire and Rescue for the frequent and excellent service they provided.*

### *The Order of Service*

#### *The Processional*

*The Selection.....The Mighty Men of St. Paul Male Chorus*

*The Prayer.....Rev. Frances Cittendon*

#### *The Scriptures:*

*The Old Testament.....Rev. Paul Phillips*

*The New Testament.....Rev. Tony Price*

*The Epistle.....Rev. Warren David Anderson*

*The Solo.....Bro. Marlon Snow*

*Words of Comfort.....Retired Presiding Elder W. G. Treadwell*

*The Reflections: (2.5–3 minutes, please)*

*Acknowledgements / Resolutions.....Sis. Shanika Reeves*

*The Selection.....The Mighty Men of St. Paul Male Chorus*

*The Eulogy.....Rev. Fred Flowers*

*The Closing Prayer.....Ruling Elder H. N. Turner*

#### *The Recessional*

#### *What God Hath Promised*

*God hath not promised, skies always blue, flower-strewn pathways, all our lives through. God hath not promised, sun without rain, joy without sorrow, peace without pain.*

*But God hath promised, strength for the day, rest for the laborer, light for the way, grace for the trials, help from above, unfailing sympathy, undying love.*