

Mr. Woodrow Stewart "Woody"

July 23, 1918

May 4, 1997

FRIDAY, MAY 9, 1997 - 11:00 A.M. ST. PAUL A.M.E. CHURCH

2024 Ashby Avenue, Berkeley, CA Reverend Vernon R. Burroughs Reverend Terry Williams Officiating



OBITUARY

On the 23rd day of July, in the year of our Lord, 1918, Woodrow Stewart was brought into this world by his parents, Irene Hudson and Oliver Stewart, in Batesville, Mississippi. At an early age, he received Jesus Christ into his life while attending the Concord Missionary Baptist Church as well as their primary school. By the end of ninth grade, Woodrow went to work for TVA, where he gained experience as an electrical worker, contracting various jobs.

He was married to Rachel Randolph on the 3rd of June, 1939. Woodrow was inducted into the Armed forces in 1941 and after being honorably discharged in 1944, he and his family settled in California to pursue their dreams.

Woodrow worked in the shipyards until gaining employment with the Department of Defense on Treasure Island, and the U.S. Public Health Hospital, for a total of 34 years. Also during this period of his life, Woodrow founded Stewart & Sons Janitorial Service where he provided building maintenance for a variety of contracted accounts, throughout the Bay Area, for over 20 years.

In 1959, he became an active member of St. Paul A.M.E. Church (Berkeley, CA), where he also provided building maintenance. In 1975, for medical reasons, Woodrow was retired from civil service work.

Woodrow is survived by his wife, of 58 years, Rachel Stewart, his sons Vernon and Philip, and his daughter Fredda Samuel. He is also survived by five grandchildren: Kevin Blakey, Kristi Blakey, Kaylin Tabb, Angie Stewart, and Brittany Stewart; one granddaughter-in-law, Deborah Blakey; four great grandchildren: Dominic Reed, Torrence Brown, Jr., Anthony Brown, and Kayla Tabb; foster son and daughter-in-law; George and Susie McNabb; foster grandchildren: Ronald McNabb and Sharon Jackson; foster great grandchildren: Caresse and Cerise Jackson, and Solana McNabb; brothers: Mr & Mrs. Adolph Boothe, Mr. Knox Boothe, Mr. & Mrs. Will A. Boothe, Mr. & Mrs. James Boothe (deceased), Mr. Leroy Boothe (deceased); sisters: Mrs. Lizzie Graham, Mrs. Queen Annie Griffin (deceased) Ms. Elzadie Boothe, Mrs. Louise Walls, Ms. Louise Boothe (sister-in-law); and a host of relatives and loving friends...

Gone, but not forgotten!!!