



## Willa J. Strickland

May 16, 1925 - September 20, 2019

### Obituary

#### WILLA STRICKLAND

Willa J. Strickland born May 16, 1925 in Hannibal, MO to William Johnson and Ella Coates. She had three brothers Freddy, Charles, and Oscar. While she had no children of her own, she participated in raising her late husband Joseph Strickland's children: Joe Ann Evans, Hobart Strickland, Sandra Beavers, and the late Deborah Brown. She became a mother figure for a young 12-year-old Charmaine Parrett daughter of Sandra Beavers and raised her into adulthood. She accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior at an early age. She went on to become a member of Swope Park United Methodist Church where she was a faithful member for many years. She was also an Eastern Star member. She was employed with the United States Postal Service and retired with more than thirty-five years of service. She continued her support and work with the American Postal Workers Union AFL-CIO National Auxiliary, as well as the Missouri State Postal Workers Auxiliary and Greater Kansas City Metro Area Local Auxiliary in various capacities and offices until her health did not allow her to continue. She was very giving, full of life, loved to travel, and had a great sense of humor. Her favorite color was purple, and she loved to spend time with family and friends. She is preceded in death by her late husband Joseph Strickland, his oldest daughter Deborah Brown and a grandson. She is survived by 7 grandchildren and 12 great

grandchildren. Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 1, 2019 at Lawrence A. Jones and Sons Linwood Chapel 1800 East Linwood Blvd. KCMO. Visitation 9:00 a.m. Interment 1:30 p.m. in Leavenworth National Cemetery.

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in memory of Willa J. Strickland, please visit our floral store.

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# Tribute Wall

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“ We are the American Postal Workers Union Golden Jazz Retirees. Willa was a fierce and long time union member before most of us were employed at the USPS. She was a long time member of the APWU Womens Auxiliary, even attending the APWU National Convention in Pittsburgh, Pa. last year. Thank you Willa for your service to us! You will be missed. We offer our prayers to the family. From Mildred Brown, Treasurer, APWU Golden Jazz Retirees.

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**Mildred Brown** - October 01, 2019 at 07:48 PM

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“ This message is From Michael Barker & Carol Fields. We would like to offer our deepest condolences to Ms. Strickland's family. May her soul rest in peace.

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**Michael Barker** - September 30, 2019 at 08:08 PM

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“ Our deepest condolences to u guys, Jesus has her now resting peacefully,,much love. Auntie n uncle,,,spokane,Wa.

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**Hilton n shirley powell &family** - September 25, 2019 at 08:35 PM

CC

“ This is from the William and Claudia Collins family we love and blessings to the family. We will miss a beautiful woman God bless you all. Amen

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**Claudia Collins** - September 25, 2019 at 08:29 PM