

Order of Service

Rev. Louis C. Kirkland, Presiding
Mother Midway A.M.E. Church

Processional Congregation
"When We All Get To Heaven"

Selection New Bethel Mass Choir
"Blessed Assurance"

Invocation

Scripture:

Old Testament Minister
23rd Psalms

Epistle Minister
2nd Corinthians 5:1-4

Gospel Minister
John 14:1-10

Solo Terry Hall (Great-grandson)
St. Paul Baptist Church

Acknowledgement & Resolutions Sister Clatties Dawkins

Reflections (2 Minutes Please)
Family & Friends

Selection New Bethel Mass Choir

Words of Comfort Rev. Harry L. Dawkins

Recessional Congregation
"We're Marching To Zion"

Repast

New Bethel A.M.E. Church

Pallbearers

Acie Stroughter, IV Ronald Stroughter, Jr.
Keith Stroughter Reginald Fullwood
Eric Stroughter Reginald Stroughter, Jr.
Terry Hall

Flower Attendants

Stewardesses of New Bethel A.M.E. Church

Acknowledgements

We the family of the late **Leola Bruton Stroughter** have been comforted by the many acts of kindness you have shown us. For your cards, flowers, and tender words of solace, we are indeed grateful. We extend our appreciation to the staff at Jacksonville Nursing & Rehabilitative Nursing Home for their care of our dear beloved "Lula". May God bestow His richest blessings upon each of you.

~The family

Interment

Restlawn Cemeteries
2600 Ribault Scenic Drive
Jacksonville, Florida 32208

ARRANGEMENTS IN CARE OF:



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Jacksonville, Florida 32206
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In Loving Memory



Leola Bruton Stroughter

December 18, 1928 — February 9, 2016

Service

11:00 AM, Friday, February 19, 2016

New Bethel A.M.E. Church

1231 Tyler Street

Jacksonville, Florida 32209

Rev. Harry L. Dawkins, Senior Pastor | Officiating

Obituary

All the world's a stage, and all the men and women merely players; They have their exits and their entrances, and one man in his time plays many parts, his acts being seven ages.

William Shakespeare

"At first, the **infant**"

Lula Leola Patricia Bruton Stroughter was the youngest daughter and the eighth of nine children born to George Bruton, Sr. and Lula Wormack Bruton. She was born on December 18, 1928 in Jacksonville, Florida.

"Then, the **vivacious school girl**"

Leola established her Christian foundation at New Bethel AME Church where her father was a founding member. She was a fun-loving youth that loved to dance, chat with her girlfriends, and follow her brothers on their bicycles. Leola lost her older brother, Wilbert and her mother during her school-age years. Her older brothers, Bismark and Willie, passed away before she was born.

"And then, the **lover**"

Leola met her husband, Acie Stroughter, Jr. while attending Edward Waters College. After 13 years of marriage and four children, Acie preceded her in death far too soon in 1962.

"Then, a **soldier**"

Like a mother bear protecting her cubs, Leola fiercely looked out for the well-being of her children, nieces, nephews, and other children in the community. Leola raised her five children and cared for numerous others in her home, including her brother, George's children. She was affectionately called, 'Sister' by many who knew her. An excellent cook, all the children looked forward to her sweet potato and lemon meringue pies during the holidays. Her cornbread dressing and gravy was another family favorite. Leola always looked out for her family and could be counted on for a hot breakfast by any family members who came by. She especially looked out for her father and older sister, Mozelle in their later years.

"And then, the **justice**"

After raising her children, gaining much wisdom along the way, Aunt Leola was always the family member who would listen to your concerns. She always kept abreast of what was going on about town and in the community. Leola was the soul of her family. Whenever you wanted to know what was going on in the family, all you had to do was spend some time with Leola. Everyone loved to sit and talk with her.

"The **sixth age** " shifts into the lean and slippered"

Aging, as we all must inevitably do, Leola enjoyed watching the fruits of her labor. Her children and grandchildren, live their lives. She loved plants and would collect clippings to plant in her garden. Sadly, she said goodbye to her elder siblings, Robert, Sr., Mozelle, and James, Sr.

"**Last scene**" of all, that ends this strange eventful history,"

Leola departed this life on Tuesday, February 9, 2016. She leaves to mourn her loss her two brothers, George Bruton, Jr. and Bertram Bruton; her five children, Acie III (Sandra), Jeanette, Bertram, Reginald, and Ronald (Calromea); ten grandchildren; Acie Raynard (Veatriz), Keith (Janet), Eric (Allisha), Terry Hall (Jerrica), Reginald Fullwood (LaTasha), Reginald, Jr. (Keatron), Ronald, Jr. (Amalia), LaTarsha Wright, Tiffany Mitchell, Danielle Mitchell; twenty-four great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.



Loving Memories