

CELEBRATION OF LIFE



Delores +  
I. WILLIAMS

February 18, 1943 – July 21, 2026



## Obituary

Delores Izetta Williams, a beloved first lady and devoted servant of God, transitioned peacefully into

eternal rest on Tuesday, July 21, 2026, at home surrounded by her loving family. Born on February 18, 1943, in Coatesville, PA, she was the daughter of the late Herman Taylor, Sr. and Onetta Walker-Taylor.

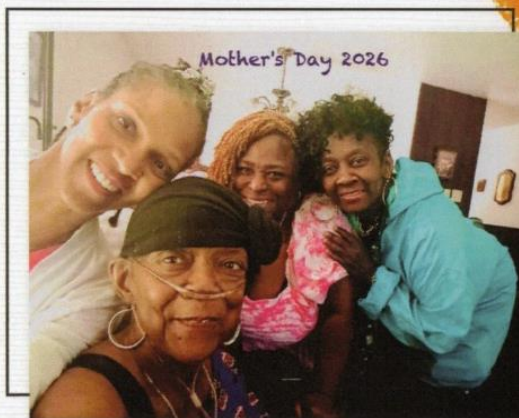
As the devoted wife of Rev. James E. Williams III, Delores was a steadfast partner in ministry, embodying the essence of a Proverbs 31 woman: *"Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also,*



and he praises her" (Proverbs 31:28). Together, they served the Lord with humility and grace, over the years ministering at Ebenezer Baptist in Downingtown, True Light Baptist in Philadelphia, Bethel Baptist in Phoenixville, and currently, Friendship Baptist Church in Pottstown, spanning a remarkable 50 years of faithful service.

Delores was a woman of many talents, known for her exquisite crocheting, impeccable house cleaning, and her warm hospitality, often enjoyed through her famous lemon cakes and apple dumplings. Her spaghetti was a family favorite. In her quiet moments, she found joy in reading the Bible, singing, listening to gospel music and solving crossword puzzles.

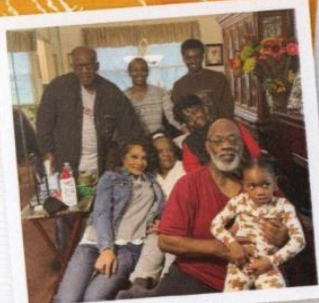
As an esteemed First Lady of Friendship Baptist Church for 28 years, Delores was a pillar of strength and devotion. She led with kindness and purpose in the Ushers Ministry, teaching usher lessons with a gentle spirit and compassion. Her leadership and service were guided



by Colossians 3:23: "Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men," inspiring all who knew her to serve the Lord with dedication and joy.

Delores leaves a legacy of love, faith, and unwavering commitment to her family and church community.

She is survived by her beloved husband, Rev. James E. Williams III of Thorndale; son, Rodney E. Williams (Carletta) of Coatesville; daughter, Darlene L. "Dee" Williams of Thorndale; grandchildren, Rodkeem Williams, Asia Washington (William), Thomas Goines, Jr.; bonus granddaughter, Maya Cannon; great granddaughter, Avayah Washington; bonus great granddaughter, Brielle Abrams; sister, Brenda Hicks (Rev. Frederick) of Coatesville; brother, Gilbert Hyden (Evonne) of Philadelphia; friends, Dorothy Freeman and Evelyn Carey; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, beloved church members and friends.

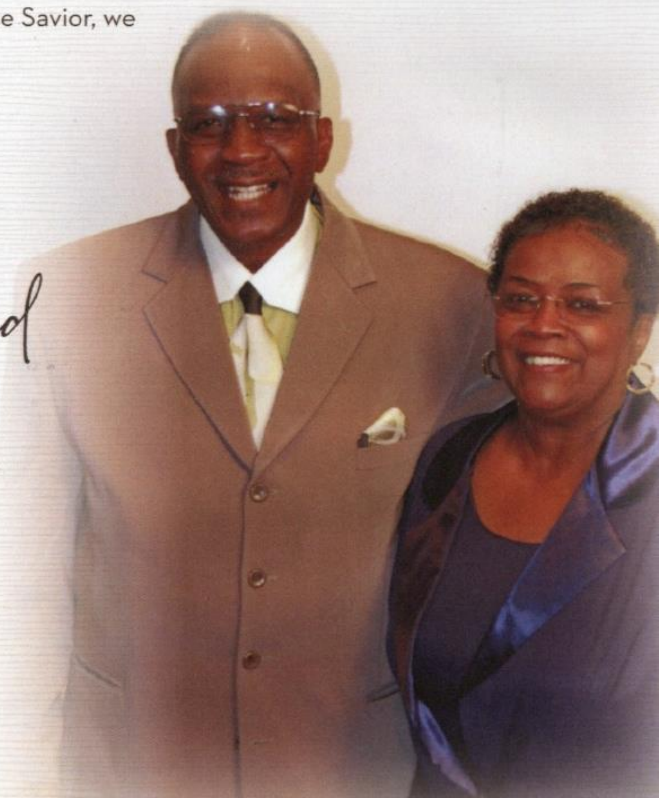


In addition to her parents, Delores was preceded in death by one son, Jeffrey E. Williams; siblings: Bernice Godfrey, Herman L. Taylor, Jr., Joyce E. Hills, and Robert L. Taylor.

Her memory will live on in the hearts of all who knew her. As she rests in the arms of the Savior, we

hold on to the promise of Psalm 116:15: "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints."

Truly  
Loved



# Order of Service

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|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Processional</b> .....                                    | Clergy & Family                                                                      |
| <b>Final Viewing</b> .....                                   |                                                                                      |
| <b>Officiating Clergy</b> .....                              | Rev. Frederick Hicks                                                                 |
| <b>Opening Hymn</b> .....                                    | "Blessed Assurance"                                                                  |
| <b>Scripture Readings</b>                                    |                                                                                      |
| <i>Old Testament Psalm 23</i> .....                          | Rev. Marvin Waller                                                                   |
| <i>New Testament St. John 14:1-6</i> .....                   | Dea. Randy Hawkins                                                                   |
| <b>Prayer of Comfort</b> .....                               | Rev. Vincent Pugh                                                                    |
| <b>Musical Selection</b> .....                               | Sis. Carol Horsey                                                                    |
| <b>Reading of Cards, Condolences &amp; the Obituary</b> .... | Sis. Pamela Depte                                                                    |
| <b>Church Tribute</b> .....                                  | Dea. Randy Hawkins                                                                   |
| <b>Reflections</b> .....                                     | Shanda Boyd<br>Brenda Hicks<br>Asia Washington<br>Rodney Williams & Darlene Williams |
| <b>Words of Comfort</b> .....                                | Rev. Henry M. Boyd                                                                   |
| <b>Music Selection</b> .....                                 | Möther Emily Kelly                                                                   |
| <b>Eulogy</b> .....                                          | Rev. James E. Williams III<br>Pastor of Friendship Baptist Church, Pottstown, PA     |
| <b>Recessional Directives</b> .....                          | Ventnor T. Wright<br>Funeral Director                                                |
| <b>Recessional</b> .....                                     | Clergy & Family                                                                      |

## CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Saturday, August 1, 2026

9 AM VIEWING | 11 AM SERVICE

First Baptist Church of Passtown

117 Barber Avenue

Coatesville, Pennsylvania

Rev. Dr. Michael C. Harris, Pastor

## PALLBEARERS

Anthony Williams, Sr.

Anthony J. Williams

Galen Williams

Conrad Williams

Robert Williams

Manny Pugh

## INTERMENT

New Evergreen Cemetery

208 Cemetery Lane

Coatesville, Pennsylvania

## REPAST

A repast will be held immediately following the burial at  
The Arches

600 E Chestnut Street, Coatesville, Pennsylvania

## NOTE OF THANKS

*Thank you for your love, beautiful prayers and concern shown to us during our time of bereavement. Continue to keep us in your prayers.  
Sincerely, The Family*



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