

ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional of Ministers and Family

Officiating.....REV. ERIC CHASE

Congregational Hymn BSJEC MUSIC MINISTRY

Prayer of Comfort..... REV. GILBERT KINSEY

Reading of Scripture

Old Testament: Psalm 23

DEACON DONALD ANDERSON

New Testament: St. John 14:1-6

DEACON TYRONE PETTIFORD

Musical Selection.....BSJEC MUSIC MINISTRY

Cards and Acknowledgements

DEACONESS SANDRA HILL

Reflections (2 minutes please)

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Reading of Obituary.

DEACONESS CHARLIE MAE HILLARD

Musical Selection..... BSJEC MUSIC MINISTRY

Eulogy

REV. CLEMENT M. LUPTON, III, SR. PASTOR

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Dear Family & Friends

You must not tie yourself to me with tears, Be happy that we had so many beautiful years. I gave to you my love, you can only guess how much you gave me in happiness. I thank you all for the love you each have shown me, but now it's time I traveled alone. So grieve awhile for me, if grieve you must. Bless the memories within your heart. And then when you must come this way alone, I'll greet you with a smile and say "Welcome Home".

Pall Bearers

Jamire Griffin ~ Jay Griffin ~ Harold Griffin ~ Tayan Griffin
George Melton IV ~ Elijah Soloman ~ Trystan Soloman



Heaven's Embrace

The earthly paths we walked are done,
But a new journey has begun.
No longer bound by time and space,
We find our home in this bright place.
Our love, a thread of golden light,
Woven through day and starry night,
Connects our souls, forever true,
A bond that death could not undo.
Now in a realm where sorrows cease,
We are restored in perfect peace.
The pain we knew is left behind,
A different, joyful state we find.
Your hand in mine, no tear to shed,
With every loving word we've said.
United now, our hearts take flight,
Together in God's endless light.

A Note of Thanks & Appreciation

Our family acknowledges and appreciates all acts of kindness and words of encouragement. Words will never express how the outpouring of your love has helped us make it through this difficult time. It will be our continual prayer that God will bless you for your continued support and prayers.

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CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR OUR BELOVED



Ella M.
MELTON

JULY 3, 1937- NOVEMBER 20, 2025

II Timothy 4: 6-8

For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing

Life Celebration

FRIDAY DECEMBER 5, 2025 11:00 AM

VIEWING 9:00AM-11:00 AM

BELOVED ST JOHN EVANGELISTIC CHURCH

4541 N BROAD ST, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19140

PASTOR CLEMENT M. LUPTON, III

Life Reflection of Ella Melton

Ella Mae Melton (Wilson) was born on July 03, 1937 in Campbell, Alabama to the late Lucille Wilson (King) and Ernest Lee Wilson. She was one of six children, four boys and two girls. The Lord called Ella home on November 20, 2025.

Ella received her formal education in Mobile, Alabama and graduated from Mobile County Training School in 1955. Shortly after she met, married, and started her family with the late George Melton Jr, in 1958. The Melton family migrated to Philadelphia in the 1960's, where Ella became employed as a Non-Teaching Assistant for the Philadelphia Public School System. She retired from William Penn High School, in 2002, after working 30 years.

Ella accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior at a young age and attended Taylor Chapel CME Methodist Church, and was recognized for her generosity as well as her dedication to both her faith and community. When she moved to Philadelphia, she found her new church home at Beloved St. John Baptist Church under the tutelage of the late Rev. Matt Yancey Jr. Thereafter, she continued under the leadership of Pastor Clement Lupton, III. Prior to her health decline, she served on multiple church boards during her lifetime and consistently dedicated her free time to supporting members of both her church and the wider community. By demonstrating her advanced culinary abilities, she consistently gathered her family for every holiday and special occasion. Her Thanksgivings & New Year's Day dinners and Christmas breakfasts will be sorely missed.

Ella was often referred to by most as "Mother Melton". She was a devoted mother and grandmother, a supportive sister, a loyal friend to many, and an active member of her Christian community. To have known her was to be fortunate to have encountered an individual of exceptional character, integrity, and class. Ella was always there for her family—as a mother, grandmother, and wife—. She had a wonderful sense of humor, loved to travel, loved going on cruises, and social events.

Ella was preceded in death by her spouse, George Melton Jr; Her parents, Lucille Wilson (King) and Ernest Lee Wilson; and three brothers; Willie Frank Robinson, Robert Lee Wilson, and Randolph Pope.

Ella leaves to cherish her legacy: Three children from her union with the late George Melton Jr; Sylvia Melton, George Melton III, and Tanya Melton. She was also the grandmother to seven wonderful grandchildren. One brother, Clarence Pope; one sister and best friend, Geraldine Wilson; two sisters-in-law, Doris Melton and Marietta Melton; brother-in-law, Bobbie Melton; and one daughter-in-law, Elferia Melton. She leaves a host of Great grandchildren, Great Great Grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, Godchildren, and brothers and sisters in Christ.

*Sorrowfully Submitted,
The Family*

