



### An Expression of Gratitude

The family of **Mother Lucille F. Wheeler** would like to thank all of those who prayed, sent flowers, food, showed condolences, sympathy, or helped in any way possible to send her off to heaven in a glorious way. We hold her dear in our hearts and we appreciate you all!

#### Pallbearers

Dwayne Thomas • Dion Watkins • Gregory Kirk, Jr. • Paul Milligan  
David Mosley, Jr. • Stephon Watkins • Howard Watkins, Jr.  
Joshua Chapman

#### Honorary Pallbearers

John Hill • Hosea Milligan, Sr. • Gregory Kirk, Sr. • Dwight Willis  
Brandon Milligan • Charles Robinson • Leon Wilfong

#### Flower Bearers

Yolanda Kirk • Jordanne Watkins • Brittany Evans  
LaKeisha Mosley • Rachel Chapman • Lindsey Chapman  
Destiny Willis • Briana Keith • J'Sonya Watkins • Teasa Wilfong  
Ebony Watkins



He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. 2 I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust. 3 Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. 4 He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler. 5 Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day; 6 Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday. 7 A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee. Psalm 91:1-7



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# Celebrating the Life of Lucille F. Wheeler

Born to Man: June 26, 1933

Passed to Jesus' Glory: July 26, 2021



Saturday, July 31, 2021

Visitation: 9:00 am - 11:00 am ~ Funeral: 11:00 am

Higher Ground Ministries House of Favor  
1391 E. Crescentville Road  
Cincinnati, OH 45246  
Elder Earl Finney, Officiating  
Senior Pastor, Higher Ground Ministries House of Favor

## Order of Service

- Musicians ..... Celebration of Life Video Presentation
- Parting View ..... The Family
- Musical Selection ..... Yolanda Kirk
- Prayer ..... Pastor James E. Washington
- Holy Scriptures ..... Old Testament: Pastor Chris Phillips  
New Testament: Pastor Austin Kidd
- Musical Selection ..... Mother Wheeler's Children  
"Going Up Yonder" ~ "Tis' the Old Ship of Zion"  
"Nobody But Jesus"
- Acknowledgements ..... Evangelist Sallye Bonner
- Remarks ..... Mother Laura Taylor  
Please limit to two minutes each  
Brenda Milligan  
Brittany Evans  
James Watkins
- Moments of Reflection ..... Read Silently  
A time to think, pray and thank God for the life of  
Mother Lucille F. Wheeler
- Musical Selection ..... Pastor Jonathan Dunn
- Eulogy ..... Elder Rodney Posey  
Pastor, Impact Worship Center
- Benediction ..... Elder Earl Finney
- Recessional ..... Clergy, Family & Friends

*Final Resting Place*  
Vine Hill Street Cemetery

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62 E Crescentville Rd  
West Chester Township, OH 45246



## The Life & Legacy of Mother Lucille Wheeler

She was born, F. Lucille Hill, on June 26, 1933, in Hickory, North Carolina, the loving daughter of Prather and Katie Hill, who both preceded her in death. To this union was born eight children and she was the second oldest. Willie Mae, Alberta, Alice Beatrice, William, James, and Janie, all preceded her in death. She is survived by one brother, John Hill, of Long Island, New York.

While living in Hickory, she married Hosea Milligan, Sr. and to this union was born six children: Shirley Hoyle, Brenda (William) Milligan, Esther (Gregory) Kirk, Hosea Milligan, Jr., Paula Partridge, and also Patricia Gail Milligan who preceded her in death.

She was a long time employee of Keebler and also a professional Caretaker for prominent lawyers, judges, and local businessmen. Her pride and joy was always spending quality time with her family, each of her children and all of her grands. She enjoyed cooking Sunday dinners each week after church and having everyone over. She cooked and hosted all holidays as well, which included her making holiday bags for all of the children, which they looked forward to. Each New Year's eve, by 11:00 pm, we all knew where we were supposed to be, and no matter where we were, we would make our way to her house, get down on our knees, and pray in the New Year together with her as a family.

She later married Reverend William Howard Watkins (who preceded her in death) and relocated to Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1964. To this union was born six additional children: Mary Mosley, Anita (Spencer) Strong, Howard (Stephanie) Watkins, James (Anika) Watkins, DeBorah (Dwight) Willis, and one deceased son, Anita's twin. Reverend Watkins was the Pastor of Starlight Primitive Baptist Church and she labored with him there as First Lady until his untimely death.

She then married William H. Wheeler (who also preceded her in death) and served as a Deaconess at Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church and New Sardis Primitive Baptist Church. She later joined New Christian Life Baptist until joining Impact Worship Center, where she faithfully served as a member of the Mother's Board, until her health declined.

She was well known by many as the Manager and Promoter for the Watkinettes and the Mighty Faith Ambassadors, both of which were family singing groups.

She also leaves to mourn her passing 21 living grandchildren and two who preceded her in death (Kaiteyn and Kylie); Helen Daniels, her cousin/best friend, and Ruth Brown, her long time Sister-In-Christ for over forty years, a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and many of our close friends who called her "Mom".

We will always love and cherish her memories and carry her close to us in our hearts, as her Spirit lives on forever.