



## Rualette Wilanese White

December 16, 1946 - February 8, 2015

Rualette was born on December 16, 1946 in New Orleans, Louisiana. She graduated from Hogan High School in Vallejo, CA in 1964 where she had been a pom-pom girl for much of her high school experience. Upon graduation from high school, Rualette attended Tuskegee Institute from which she received her bachelor's degree in political science in 1968. While at Tuskegee, Rualette met and later married John A. White of Atlanta, Georgia.

The young couple settled in Atlanta where Rualette lived for over twenty years. During her residency in Atlanta, Rualette became a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. She was an active member of the sorority as well as other social, political, and professional organizations for most of her adulthood.

Rualette, John, and Kristi relocated to California in 1988. Upon relocation, Rualette became an active and dedicated member of Downs Memorial United Methodist Church. She worked in the banking and insurance industries, the latter of which she retired from in 2008. After retirement, Rualette continued to travel back to her beloved alma mater, Tuskegee University, until her health no longer made travel permissible.

Rualette was an avid reader. She strongly believed in education and self-actualization. She was a spiritual woman whose life was dedicated to the

service of the Lord.

She is preceded in death by her mother Gertie B. Thomas, father Rual W. Bell, and brother Ernest E. Thomas.

# Cemetery Details

## Rolling Hills Memorial Park

4100 Hilltop Drive  
Richmond, CA 94803

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **16**. 11:00 AM (PT)

Harris Funeral Home Legacy Center  
1331 San Pablo Ave.  
Berkeley, CA 94702  
(510) 525-1331  
<http://www.harrisfuneralhomelegacycenter.com>

## Service

FEB **17**. 11:00 AM (PT)

Downs Memorial United Methodist Church  
6026 Idaho Street  
Oakland, CA 94608

# Tribute Wall



“ I worked for Rualette when she was managing the Consumer Information Center for the California Department of Consumer Affairs. Rualette was the epitome of professionalism and would always encourage you to strive to be your best. Often I would seek her council on a problem and she would lead me to find the solution on my own by asking me questions about it instead. I'm deeply sorry to find out so late about her passing. May God bless her and her family!

*Robert Garcia*

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**Rob Garcia** - January 15, 2018 at 12:41 PM



“ So sorry to hear of Rualette's death. Worked with Gertie for years, and although I only met Rue twice, felt I knew her better because of Gertie. I'm sure they are trey item now.  
*Nicki King*



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