



Thula Vernadeen Hawthorne Wamble

September 30, 1915 - October 28, 2013

Sharing her wisdom, insight, and knowledge was the essence of Thula Wamble, whose life began in 1915 in Prescott, AR. She was one of nine children raised by John D. and Cora Hawthorne. She was educated in the Arkansas public school system, graduating from Dunbar High School. She accepted Christ at St. Marks Baptist Church in Prescott and soon joined the western migration from the south, which took her to Vallejo, CA, where thousands from places like Arkansas, Oklahoma and Louisiana came to work at Mare Island Naval Shipyard. There she was united with her future husband Dorn Wamble. They were married on July 30, 1944, a union that lasted 66 years until the death of her husband in 2010.

After moving to Berkeley, CA in the late 1940s, Thula served as a homemaker and domestic worker. She later returned to school, attending Contra Costa College and Cal State Hayward, and refocused her career to the field of Early Childhood Education, becoming pre-school teacher for the Oakland Public Schools, where she worked for more than 15 years. While raising her two children Sharon and Marvin, Thula continued to work diligently at her church, Ephesians Church of God in Christ, serving as a Sunday school teacher for more than 60 years. She was the Sunday School Superintendent for many of those years. Her joy was traveling yearly to events like the National Sunday School Convention, the International Women's Convention and the World Pentecostal Conference, which took her to places like Singapore and Oslo, Norway.

Thula loved her family, her church and her church family. She also loved cooking for the masses, reading the Bible, going to Bible Study Fellowship in Richmond, traveling around the world, working in the garden, listening to gospel music, dressing to the nines (highlighted by her assortment of extravagant hats) and visiting her grandchildren Julian and Jenise Wamble and other relatives.

Thula transitioned from this life to her eternal rest on Monday, October 28, 2013.

Previous Events

Homegoing Celebration

NOV 2. 11:00 AM (PT)

Ephesians Church of God In Christ
1709 Alcatraz Ave
Berkeley, CA