



Evan Florine Rutherford

October 14, 1950 - March 6, 2023

Evangelist Florine Rutherford, 72, departed this life on March 6, 2023, at Unity Point Methodist Medical Center. Florine was born October 14, 1950, in Lexington, Mississippi to the late Riley Russell, Sr. and Mary Lee March Russell. She moved to Peoria, Illinois, in 1969 where she met and married, Hearl Williams. Hearl Williams preceded her in death in 1972. She married Arlander Rutherford in June of 2007; who also preceded her in death in 2011. Florine last worked as a childcare provider for the State of Illinois in Peoria County. She was one of the founders of the Apostolic Missionary Church of Jesus Christ in 1985. She became pastor of AMC in 1987 and served until 2007. In 2007, she married Overseer Arlander Rutherford in Peoria, Illinois and became the First Lady of the Glorious Church of Jesus Christ. Upon the passing of her husband, late Overseer Arlander Rutherford, she became a prestigious member and helpmate to the late Overseer Liehue Rutherford. Upon the passing of Overseer Liehue Rutherford in 2021, she became the interim pastor of the Glorious Church of Jesus Christ until pastorship was appointed to the now presiding Pastor, Ron Rutherford, in October 2021. She also was the State Missionary of Illinois in the Glorious Church body and remained a faithful member until her name was called, and she made her transition to be with the Lord. She loved studying and preaching the word of God. She was loyal and compassionate to all and loved helping those in need. Evangelist Florine leaves her precious memories, to cherish, to four children: Mary Danyell (Ernest) Parker Jr. of Phoenix, AZ, Jason (Lisa) Taylor of East

Peoria, IL, Dwayne Williams of Peoria Heights, IL and Kenneth Williams of Decatur, IL. Three stepchildren, Pastor Hubert (Ron) Rutherford, Sheila Lee, and Angela Rutherford all of Peoria, IL. Two goddaughters, Sharon Jordan and Linda Johnson of Peoria, IL. Five sisters, Overseer Ruth Rutherford and Laura Russell, both of Peoria, IL, Mae Flora Hinton, Mary Greer and Gladys Andrews, all of Chicago, IL. One brother, Willie Allen (Ora) Russell of Lexington, MS. Four special sisters/cousins: Hazel (Michael) Williams, Georgia Common, Josephine Davis, and Ernestine Brock; One special brother/cousin, Willie (Helen) March. She also leaves twenty-three grandchildren, including Gabrielle Alexander whom she helped raised, thirty-five great grandchildren, including LaMere Alexander whom she raised, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends, including a special friend, Ms. Mary Parker of Phoenix, AZ. Evangelist Florine was preceded in death by her parents, two husbands: Hearl Williams and Overseer Arlander Rutherford, one son: Michael DWayne Williams, one sister: Bessie Jordan, and ten brothers. Evangelist Florine will be laid to rest at Historic Springdale Cemetery. A Celebration of Life Service will be held on Saturday, March 18, 2023, at Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ (401 Elm Street Peoria, IL 61605) at 10:00 a.m. with visitation commencing one hour prior at 9:00 a.m. Overseer Ruth Rutherford will officiate, and General Bishop Azel Colston Jr. will present the Eulogy.

Arrangements were made especially for the Rutherford family and professionally directed by TW Parks Colonial Chapel. At the request of the Rutherford family, Live Streaming Service will be available on TW Parks Colonial Chapel's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/twparkscoloni.alchapel/>. Online condolences and acknowledgments can be made at twparkschapel.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 18. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ
401 Elm Street
Peoria, IL 61605

Celebration of Life

MAR 18. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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401 Elm Street
Peoria, IL 61605

Tribute Wall

MB

“ *Mildred Baldon lit a candle in memory of Evan Florine Rutherford*



Mildred Baldon - April 23, 2023 at 11:22 PM

PC

“ *We are extending our love and prayers to the family of our dear sister and friend, Evangelist Florine Rutherford. With love, Pastor Henry and Lady Marcia Bolden and the PCJC family.*

PCJC - March 18, 2023 at 11:34 PM

AP

“ *Sending our condolences, we will continue to have you all in our thoughts and prayers. Love you all.*

Amber Parker & Family -Memphis, TN

Amber Parker - March 18, 2023 at 11:38 AM

EP

“ *I want to say i love everybody and i miss yall. Trust good and im praying for you guys. To all my brothers hold moma down i know she is hurting but god makes no mistakes. I pray i see you guys soon and we all stay safe and blessed. Thank you grandma for accepting me as your grandchild. You were always sweet and never gave me bad advice. I know you would be proud of me and what i am accomplishing and excited to see how big i am now. Moma mary i miss you and i love you stay strong❤️*

Erin Parker - March 18, 2023 at 11:12 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Evan Florine Rutherford.*



March 17, 2023 at 10:47 AM



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March 11, 2023 at 12:07 PM



“ *Danielle, please know that Elder Derrick & I love you and we are praying for your heart and strength. Alyssa L. Rodgers*

Alyssa L. Rodgers - March 10, 2023 at 09:00 PM



Your family is in my prayers. Lean on God for His peace that passes all understanding, His strength like no other, and His wisdom and courage because His thoughts and ways are higher and deeper than ours. He's in control and knows what He is doing. Love, Teresa Kelly

Teresa Kelly - March 18, 2023 at 11:11 AM

BM

“ We remember Evangelist Florine Rutherford was a quiet yet mighty woman in Christ. We truly will miss her smiling face radiating the love of Jesus Christ. Bishop Morris Mahoney GCOGIC.



Bishop and Evangelist Mahoney - March 10, 2023 at 05:16 PM

RD

It is with sincere sympathy I send to each family member. May JESUS AWESOMENESS COMFORT, STRENGTHENS, and give PEACE in your time of greiving. AMEN. 🕊️🙏❤️

Rose Daniels - March 16, 2023 at 05:13 PM

IR

May the grace of God comfort you in your time of grief and sadness 🙏🌻🌻🌻

Israel Roots - March 17, 2023 at 09:38 AM

TT

“ Danielle, my deepest condolences to your and your family during this time, continued prayer for strength and comfort during this time



Tina Thomas - March 10, 2023 at 01:11 PM

JM

“ Janice Marshall lit a candle in memory of Evan Florine Rutherford



Janice Marshall - March 10, 2023 at 09:36 AM

JM

My sincere condolences to family and friends 🙏

Janice Marshall - March 10, 2023 at 09:37 AM

BH

My condolence Danyelle, to your family Evangelist Florine Rutherford will be missed. I think God for knowing her and how she poured into my spirit. May God continue to bless your family doing this time of grieving My prayers always with you, Assist Pastor Evangelist, Betty Hughes

Betty Hughes - March 10, 2023 at 06:01 PM

PJ

My sincere condolences to the family. I met Evangelist Florine and her sisters when we were very young at Elder Jack Deadwyler's church. She was a mighty presence even then. Prayers for Laurie, Ruthie and the aevangelist's family 🙏

Pamela Jenkins - March 14, 2023 at 06:30 PM