



Lucy Maud Westbrook

December 1, 1934 - January 21, 2022

Mother Lucy M. Westbrook

Mother Lucy Maud Westbrook was born on December 1, 1934, in Arkadelphia, Arkansas the daughter of Christine Birl and Leonard Harris; she was raised by Jefferson and Sadie Williams.

She received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Health and Physical Education and Natural Sciences from the University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff, Arkansas in 1955.

On July 24, 1955, she married Wendell T. Westbrook and they moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota. She was a stay-at-home mom for the first ten years and then entered the job market as a substitute teacher and later as a fulltime Physical Education teacher in the Minneapolis public school system. She later went on to work at the Minneapolis Urban League as an Employment Counselor where she motivated and influenced people to learn new skills that would allow them to begin and or advance their careers. She worked at the Urban League until she retired.

Mom and Dad joined the First Church of God in Christ where Mom served faithfully for over 65 years. Mother Westbrook served in a multitude of positions on the local and state levels. She was the Deacon Wives Circle

president for a number of years where she trained deacon wives on how to serve in the ministry with their husbands. She was also active in Bible Band, Sunday School, Young People Willing Workers (YPWW), the building fund and whatever else her hands found to do.

She especially enjoyed serving as the treasurer in women's department and assisting with the planning of the annual "Women's Retreat" that took place for 20 consecutive years. She was the assistant Church Mother and often spoke words of encouragement to people from all walks of life, she welcomed everyone into the church without any stipulations. It was her desire to see people better themselves and to follow their dreams but most of all to seek the Lord with all of their hearts.

Mom was a fashionista and was known for her church attire: stylish suits, along with matching shoes and handbags. She enjoyed reading, working all types of puzzles, bowling, golf, gardening, bird watching, adult coloring and traveling. Her most recent trip was last summer to St. Louis, Missouri to attend a family gathering where four generations were represented.

She was a wonderful mother and leaves to cherish her memories; two sons and one daughter, Jeffrey (Janie) of Minneapolis, MN, Gregory (D'Andrea) of Brooklyn Park, MN; and Wnetta Turner (Lindsey) of Cincinnati, OH.

She was an only child, but she will be fondly remembered by sister-in laws and brother-in-law: Adell Westbrook of Flint, MI; Ira Watkins of Monticello, AR and Charlotte Watkins Jacobs (Freddy) of Little Rock, AR.

Seven grandchildren: T'Nina Westbrook, Jarret Westbrook, Gregory Westbrook Jr., J'Nae Westbrook, Delainey Turner, Micah Turner and Alivia Turner.

Three great-grandchildren: Kai Westbrook, Sarai Westbrook and Messiah

Patton

She also leaves behind four nieces, Dawna Lacy (Solomon), Marsha, Felicia Brown (Ramone) and Kim Williams (Reginald) and one nephew, KenYon Jacobs (Rita).

Godchildren: Melinda Montgomery, Paul Jerome Montgomery, Timothy Montgomery (Rachel) and Cecilia Peoples. She loved people, and leaves behind a host of other family, church and community friends.

Mother Westbrook is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Deacon Wendell T. Westbrook; her son, Gary D. Westbrook; brothers-in-laws, Dr. Franklin Westbrook and Dr Willard Watkins and her nephew Franklin Westbrook, Jr.

Cemetery Details

Fort Snelling Cemetery

7601 34th Ave S
Minneapolis, MN 55450

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 4. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

First Church of God in Christ
810 Elwood Avenue North
Minneapolis, MN 55411

Funeral Service

FEB 4. 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

GC

“ I now live in Washington outside of Seattle, I'll always remember Sis. Westbrook for her warm smile and her kind heart. She will be dearly missed. With love and prayers, Gwendolyn Clark

Gwendolyn Clark - February 04, 2022 at 10:51 AM

CS

“ To the Westbrook family - I can't be with you in person to give you my sincere condolences, but I'll be with you in spirit. Sending lots of love and hugs. We all grew up together so this feels as if I've lost a family member too. I hope that warm and precious memories will give you comfort. Love to all - Cynthia Clark Satterfield

Cynthia Satterfield - February 04, 2022 at 12:54 AM

MF

“ To the Westbrooks' family:

We have known each other's family for many years and it feels as if we have lost another family member. When we have finished our assignments, we are provided with God's rest and His proclamation "well done". Such a quiet presence and loving individual will be such an asset in the kingdom. She will certainly be missed by many (near and far), but the memories we share can never be forgotten. May your days grow in the grace of God's strength during this season as He carries you through this difficult period.

Mother Foster - January 31, 2022 at 10:25 AM

VJ

“ When I think back about Sister Lucy than she was my mentor,
Awesome listener. We lived across the street from one another.

When I had thought or an emotion I could run across the street I
could share laughs hugs, Sis Lucy always available!!!!

She was LOVE!!!

Sis V Jenkins

Victoria Jenkins - January 28, 2022 at 04:00 PM

DR

“ Mother & Deacon Westbrook, would let
me practice football, basketball, Ping Pong in and around their
home - sun up to sundown.

Mother Westbrook, I Love You, go in peace and be blessed.

God's Blessing To The Westbrook, Family..

God Speed,
Brother David E. Riley

David E Riley - January 28, 2022 at 10:06 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for
the family of Lucy Maud Westbrook.



January 26, 2022 at 11:45 PM

YT

“ Westbrook Children:

Whenever I think of your Mom I think of her being a Substitute teacher at Willard. I remember walking into a classroom and announcing we have a sub and being nervous because the teacher was Mrs. Westbrook (Wenetta's Mom). Mrs. Westbrook was strict but fair. We did not test her because she knew where we lived and knew our parents. It was a blessing having her as our teacher, since there were not many teachers of African decent.

She has gone on to hangout with Mr. Westbrook and Gary. Maybe they will run into my parents. I pray that you all will find comfort and peace in remembering your lives with your Mom.

You all are in my prayers. God bless and keep you.

Yvonne Turner

Yvonne Turner - January 26, 2022 at 11:28 PM