

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Mercy Manor Dayton; Battered Women's Shelter; West Dayton YWCA; or National Council of Negro Women. Condolences can be sent to Thomas Funeral Home, 4520 Salem Ave, Dayton Ohio 45416 or send via their website.

The family would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Thomas Funeral Home, the Jefferson Township EMT, Delta Sigma Theta, extended family, former students and friends for their efforts, care, support, and kind words.

Norma's motto:

Do unto others as you would have others do unto you

A LIMB

A limb has fallen from the family tree.
I keep hearing a voice that says, "Grieve not for me",
Remember the best times, the laughter, the song.
The good life I lived while I was strong.

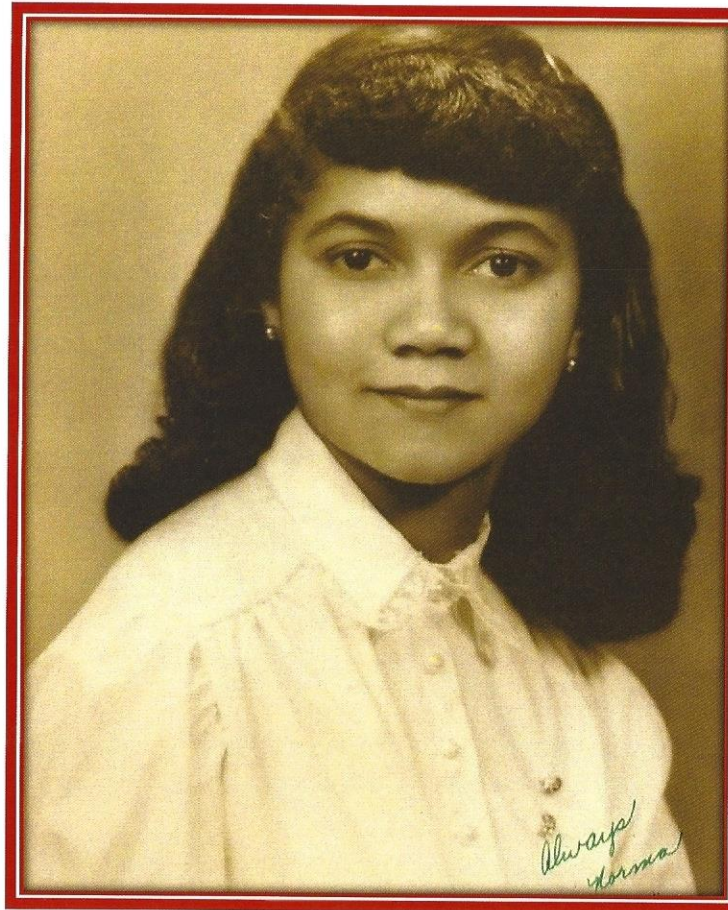
Continue my heritage, I'm counting on you.
Keep smiling and surely the sun will shine through.
My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest.
Remembering all, how I truly was blessed.

Continue tradition, no matter how small.
Go on with your life, don't worry about falls.
I miss you all dearly, so keep up your chin.
Until the day comes, we're together again.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Norma Jean Sims Taylor

January 25, 1933 – February 27, 2021



OBITUARY

Norma Jean Sims Taylor passed away peacefully at her home on February 27, 2021 in Dayton, Ohio, a month after celebrating her 88th birthday.

Born January 25, 1933 to Howard Sims and Mary Sims Harris (both deceased), Norma will be forever remembered by her devoted husband of over sixty-five years, Lavern D. Taylor; their union produced two children, Michael L. (Michelle) Taylor, LaVerna J. Taylor Cole (Bill); son-in-law Blake M. Cole; four grandchildren Kalia J. Cole (Gabriel), Tiffany L. Cole (Glenn), Ashleigh E. Taylor (Chris), and Austen M. Taylor; four great-grandchildren DaKoldes B. L. Turner, Titus B. L. Turner, Kabriel J. Williams, and Christopher S. Radford.

She will also be lovingly remembered by her three siblings, Norrinia Allen, Sandra (Jimmy) Quartman and Linda (Ernest) Carter; lifelong friend Charles Brantley; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, devoted friends, and former students. Her heavenly welcoming committee includes her beloved parents; stepfather Orbin Harris; mother-in-law Margie Mason; sisters Delores Blake, Arlene Oldham; brother Leon Harris; and great-grandson Santana M. Radford.

Norma was educated at Roosevelt High School, earned a B.S. in Education at Wright State University in Dayton Ohio, and a Master's Degree in Administration & Curriculum Supervision at Xavier University, in Cincinnati, Ohio. She also completed post-graduate work at Wright State University.

Norma retired from the Dayton Public School System after several years as an educator and school administrator, where she touched and impacted the lives of so many students.

A life member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and was a highly active member of Top Ladies of Distinction. In addition, she served and supported several other organizations, Status of Women Thrust, Top Teens Advisory Board, Clothes that Work, Jefferson Township Optimist, West Dayton YWCA, The Battered Women's Shelter, Mercy Manor, National Council of Negro Women and more.

Active, smart, devoted, sophisticated, stylish, classy...beautiful inside and out, these are all the words that describe Norma. She was blessed with a life well lived and will be deeply missed.

ORDER OF SERVICE

March 9, 2021

Processional.....	Soft music
The Parting View.....	Soft Music
Musical Selection.....	Yolanda Holmes
Poem.....	Tiffany Cole
Obituary Reading.....	Andrea Allen
Delta Resolution.....	Kellye Jackson
Video Tribute	
Reflection (via video).....	Charles Brantley
Reflection.....	Linda Carter
Reflection	Kalia Cole & Austen Taylor
Musical Selection.....	ShayLyssa Alexander
Bible Reading.....	Ashleigh Taylor
Eulogy.....	Rev. Dr. William Harris

Interment

Given Covid 19, graveside service will be private and limited to the immediate family.

Services Entrusted to
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