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**A Celebration of Life
And Witness to the Resurrection
Doretha Holland
December 4, 1929 – April 1, 2021**



April 10, 2021, 10:00 am

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

- The music of the prelude is a gift to us as we gather.
- If you speak, please do so softly so all can listen and prepare for worship.

Pandemic Safety Protocols

- Please spread yourselves out in the sanctuary. Leave the first two rows of pews for worship leaders.
- Please remain seated throughout the service.
- You can sing the hymns softly with your mask on.
- If you wish to use one of the first-floor bathrooms, please follow instructions in the bathroom about disinfecting it after your use.

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Gathering Music

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Hymn

Lead Me, Guide Me

Refrain

Lead me, guide me, a-long the way, For if you

lead me, I can - not stray. Lord, let me walk each

day with thee. Lead me, oh Lord, lead me.

Verses



1. I am weak and I need thy strength and pow'r to
2. Help me tread in the paths of right - eous - ness, Be my
3. I am lost if you take your hand from me, I am



help me o - ver my weak - est hour. Help me through the
aid when Sa - tan and sin op - press. I am put - ting
blind with - out thy Light to see, Lord, just al - ways



dark-ness thy face to see, Lead me, oh Lord, lead me.
all my trust in thee. Lead me, oh Lord, lead me.
let me thy ser - vant be. Lead me, oh Lord, lead me.

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Unison Psalm

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me to lie down in green pastures;
He leads me beside the still waters.
He restores my soul;
He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil; for You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil; my cup runs over.
Surely goodness and mercy
shall follow me all the days of my life;
And I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Spoken Reflections

Musical Reflection

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Closing Hymn *We've Come This Far by Faith*

Refrain – All



We've come this far by faith, lean-ing on the Lord;



trust-ing in his ho-ly word, he's nev-er failed us yet.



Oh, can't turn a-round, we've come this far by



faith. We've come this far by faith.

Leader



1 Just re-mem-ber the good things God has
2 Don't be dis-cour-aged with trou-ble in your



done, things that seemed im-pos-si-ble; oh,
life; he'll bear your . . . bur-dens, and

Refrain



praise him for the vic-t'ries he has won. Oh!
move . . . all the dis-cord and strife. Oh!

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Commendation and Blessing

Postlude

*Immediately following the service, Doretha's family invites you to
attend the service of commitment at
Glen Rest Memorial Estate
8029 E Main Street, Reynoldsburg.*

WORSHIP LEADERS

Presiding Minister
Pianist

Dave Shull, Pastor
Karen Kent

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Alversa Doretha Holland, 91, passed away peacefully on Thursday, April 1, 2021. It was the end of a long and full life.

Born in Harvey, West Virginia on December 4, 1929 to Frank and Viola Williams, she graduated from Dubois High School and West Virginia State College. She taught Business Education and French in the Columbus Public School System.

During different periods of her life she worked actively in various organizations. Her service to the church rose to the regional level. Her much beloved sorority, Alpha Kappa Alpha, was of major importance to her throughout her life. She labored for the Franklin County Democratic Party as well as Native American groups. For her, service on the Board of the Directors of the Reynolds/Claytor Family Reunion Inc. was of major importance.

Doretha is survived by three children, Betty Brantley of Sunrise FL, Donald Holland of Columbus, Cheryl Griffin (James) of Lake Forest, CA, two grandchildren, Regina Gossett (Calvin) of Gahanna, James R. Griffin of Anaheim, CA, three great grandchildren, Aiden Brailsford of Miramar, FL, Ava and Cole Gossett of Gahanna, sisters, Jean Smith of Fort Wayne, Indiana, Neal Williams (Melvin) of Roanoke, Virginia and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was predeceased by ex-husband D. Randolph Holland, siblings, Osa Callown, Wert Williams, John Williams, Cecil Williams, Walter Williams, Harold Williams, Clarence Williams and Marva Richardson.

Memorials may be given in Doretha's honor to
Reynolds/Claytor Scholarship Fund.

Donations should be payable to and mailed to:

Reynolds/Claytor Family Reunion Inc.

PO Box 458, Oak Forest, IL 60452-0458

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