



Ruth Ramey, 87, of Youngstown absent from this body went home to be present with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on November 7, 2014.

Ruth, the fifth child of Frank and Gussie Stephens Gay, was born February 10, 1927 in Youngstown, Ohio. She began her education in the Youngstown School System and graduated from East High School in 1945. She was a long standing employee, as well as a family-like member and dear friend of the late Dr. and Mrs. John Kalfas retiring after over 40 years of service.

Ruth united in marriage to Norman L. Ramey on September 3, 1966, who passed away July 23, 1983.

At the former Faith Temple Baptist Church of Campbell, now known as The Word Church of Faith in Liberty, Ruth served as president of the usher board and served on the church auxiliary committees and the Pastor's Anniversary Committee.

Ruth gained notoriety as being one of the nicest people, befriending everyone who she graced with her presence with an open heart and a listening ear. She enjoyed and loved her family. She also enjoyed shopping, cooking, family gatherings, and taking road trips with family member and her retiree group. She was a woman full of life enjoying church, family and friends.

She leaves to mourn her passing, but rejoice in her peace, her grandson, Brian K. (Geselda) Bell of Sacramento, CA; nieces, Winifred (Frank) Torbert of Imperial, PA, Karen (Larry) McDonald of Youngstown, Shelly Watson and Felice (Lester) Nunley both of Tennessee; nephews, Dr. Roy (Dr. Judy) Gay of Philadelphia, PA, and Earl Watson of Youngstown; as well as a host of great nieces and nephews; relatives and dear friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, children from her first marriage, Jacqueline Bell Williams, Stanley H. Bell; her brothers, Roy Gay and Frank Gay Jr.; her sisters, Janie Tanner, Ella Jackson and Amelia Watson.

Friends may call from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Saturday, November 15, 2014 at the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, 827 Wilson Avenue. Funeral services will follow immediately at 10:00 a.m. Arrangements entrusted to the L. E. Black, Phillips & Holden Funeral Home.

The family would like to thank Hospice of the Valley, Kim West, Cheryl Wellman and Pastor Jay Eastman for their many acts of kindness, as well as personal caregivers Pam Berch, Annie Parkman and special family members.