



## Thelma Irene Wells (Hamilton)

September 16, 1913 - February 11, 2015

Mrs. Thelma Irene Wells was born September 16, 1913 in Greencastle, PA. She is the daughter of the late Olive Mazie Rusco and George William Hamilton of Greencastle, PA. Thelma was one of nine children. She was affectionately known as "Tammy" to her family and friends. Wednesday morning, February 11, 2015, Thelma Wells found peace and heard a voice from heaven saying, "Come unto me and rest". She passed away at Manor Care Health Services. Thelma Wells, a jewel, was one hundred and one (101) years of age.

Thelma accepted Christ at an early age while attending Bethel AME Church, Greencastle, as a child. After her marriage, she moved to Chambersburg, PA, and joined St. James African Methodist Church, and for the next 85 years she was an invaluable member of the congregation. She sang in the choir, served as a Pastor's aide, and for 30 years was on the Board of Trustees as secretary, and eventually retired as Director of the Board. Mrs. Wells also volunteered many, many hours at the Chambersburg Senior Center.

Thelma was a highly intelligent child who attended Public Schools in the Greencastle area. She moved to Chambersburg shortly after graduation. Thelma started working while in her early teens in Chambersburg, and continued to work until her latter 80's. She worked for many years, first at the Swifton Company and later at Stanley Company. Over the years she developed a loving and caring relationship with the people she had worked with and worked for. Throughout the years that special bond only grew. No

one who met her ever forgot her.

Mrs. Wells volunteered many, many hours at the Chambersburg Senior Center. She was a member of the St. James African Methodist Church. Thelma possessed a heart of gold. Her home was always welcoming. She loved her family and friends dearly. She always helped those in need. Her favorite scripture reading is Philippians 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." That is true because she has done all things and continued to do all things until her health failed. She was a mother, cook, seamstress, factory worker, caregiver, ceramics maker, and leader. She loved to read, and with her excellent handwriting addressed and signed all holiday, birthday, and thank-you cards herself. She truly was "one in a million."

Thelma was married to the late Willimore A. (Gus) Wells and two children were born of that union of 33 years, the late Carolyn (Kitten) Spraglin and the late Arthur A. (Boobie). She leaves to cherish her loving memories to two sisters, Elizabeth Robinson and Lillian Miller, three grandchildren, Rick Spraglin (Sandra), Tonia Wells (Alfred), Monecia Clary (Ralph), four great grandchildren, Jaynia Ragsdale (Stephen), Ricki Guerrero (Dave), Randi Clary, and Justin Spraglin, seven great great-grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews, as well other relatives, friends and a loving church family.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Olive May and Janet, four brothers, Lance (Lover) Roscoe, George (Poly) Jr., Henry (Hen) and Howard (Jew), a son, Arthur and a daughter, Carolyn.

The service will be held Friday, February 20, 2015 at 11:00 A.M. at St. James African Methodist Episcopal Church 510 S. Main St., Chambersburg, PA with Reverend Roger W. Wilmer, Jr., officiating. Donations may be made in lieu of flowers to the National Kidney Center: [www.NationalKidneyCenter.com](http://www.NationalKidneyCenter.com)

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.sellersfuneralhome.com](http://www.sellersfuneralhome.com)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Wells family,  
I am very sorry for your loss. Revelation 21:4 says "And he will wipe out every year from their eyes and death will be no more. Neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore the former things have passed away." What a wonderful time it will be when death is no more! We can have confidence in all the Bible's promises.

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**Kelsey Stanley** - March 13, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ We were very sorry to hear of the passing of Miss Tammy. She was a wonderful person. May the Lord bless and keep you.

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**Vicki & Ben Kieffer** - February 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM