



Zena Newsome Edwards

October 6, 1930 - August 14, 2021

Branchville

Zena Marie Newsome Edwards born October 6, 1930, passed away peacefully Saturday August 14, 2021, she was 90 years old. She was born in Orangeburg a daughter of the late Jimmy Alfonso Newsome and Lillie Bell Dukes Newsome Judy. Zena was a proud veteran; she joined the USAF in 1951 and served until 1954. She also played basketball for the Air Force during her stay. She worked for Westinghouse in Columbia SC for 21 years as a Pellet operator until she retired. She received several awards for her outstanding work there. After she retired she continued to help out family and others as well, always giving of herself. She was the widow of the late Thomas Oliver Edwards and she will be truly missed.

Graveside services will be conducted Tuesday August 17, 2021 at 11:00 AM at Ott Cemetery in Branchville with Rev Wayne Manning officiating, and military rites. The family will receive friends Monday August 16, 2021 at Ott Funeral Home from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

She leaves behind two sons, Samuel Thomas Edwards (Sue) and David Wayne Edwards, one sister, Annie Colleen Jolly, four brothers, Jacob Alfonso Newsome, Allen Thomas Newsome, Willie Perry Newsome and Ronald Larry Newsome, five grandchildren, Jeannie Marie Edwards, William Richard Edwards Jr., Angela Christine Daniel (Kyle), Brittianni Alexander Cox (Zach), and John Mark Hitopoulos (Chandler), fifteen great grandchildren, and a number of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by one son

William Richard Edwards, two sisters Melba Janet Capp and Barbara Estelle Odom.

In lieu of flowers consider giving to the SPCA, she loved her cats, and they will miss her. Online condolences can be made a www.ottfh.com

Tribute Wall

CJ

“ *Colleen Newsome Jolly lit a candle in memory of Zena Newsome Edwards*



Colleen Newsome Jolly - March 20, 2023 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ *I miss my dear sister so much, hope she is in a better place, her suffering here on earth has now ended and she is with her heavenly Father..God bless her family and keep them safe.*

Colleen Newsome Jolly - November 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ *Saddened to hear of Zena's passing. I was a coworker in the pellet area for several years, but on a different shift. I knew Zena as a hard working, dedicated lady. She gave her all at work. She was also an extremely nice lady. Prayers for all who loved her.*

Ronald Capps - August 27, 2021 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *Condolence to the Newsome family. Sorry to hear of cousin Zena's passing. Very nice lady who will be missed. Brad and Theresa Hanley*

Brad hanley - August 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *Thomas and the family: all of Culpeper Wood lifts you up in prayers.*

John Willard Wolfe Jr - August 17, 2021 at 12:00 AM

CJ

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Colleen Newsome Jolly - August 16, 2021 at 12:00 AM

EP

“ *Zena was visiting with us one Sunday. At the time she did not have a car; it was time for her to leave; and, rather and disturbing anyone, she decided to walk home: about five miles to Branchville, where she lived. Her military service is appreciated very much.*



Elizabeth J. "Libby" Phillpott - August 16, 2021 at 12:00 AM

AE

“ *We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Ott Funeral Home*

A Memorial Tree was planted for Zena Newsome Edwards - August 15, 2021 at 12:00 AM