



Sylvia Swaim McWilliams

Sylvia Jewell Swaim McWilliams, of Little Rock, joined our Heavenly Father on November 29, 2009, with her family surrounding her at her home to say goodbye for now. She was born March 8, 1939 in Little Rock's St Vincent Hospital to Guy W. and Mildred Cox Swaim.

Sylvia grew up in North Little Rock Schools, and graduated from LR Central High. She attended Mary Washington College (University of Virginia), University of Arkansas, Fayetteville and Little Rock. She was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority.

She and Mike shared their wonderful 50 years of marriage with a memorable safari in Kenya and Tanzania, East Africa on February 28th this year. To this Christian union was born, Kevin (Dana), Mary Gay Olsen (Eric), and Mimi Lynn McWilliams Wilson (Wade); two grandchildren Justin and Bethany Olsen and two step-grandchildren, Bryce and Mia Wilson. She is also survived by her sister Cecilia Swaim Crary (Oliver), Newport Beach, California; a cousin, Martha Cox Walthall (Robert), Birmingham, Alabama and nieces and nephews.

Sylvia was a homemaker as she raised her children, and then she became Vice-President of Capital Business Machines. She was a volunteer instructor for the Business Technology Association's seminars for its dealers; president of PEO Chapter W; and a devout member of Trinity United Methodist Church, Little Rock and the Open Door Class for 47 years, and The Dance Club. She and her daughter, Mary Gay, were recognized in 2008 by Trinity UMC's United Methodist Women for their work in missions. Sylvia loved life and was an inspiration to those around her. She truly cared about others.

Visitation will be 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, December 2, 2009 at Ruebel Funeral Home. Funeral Service will be held at Trinity United Methodist Church in Little Rock at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 3, 2009. Interment will be at Pinecrest Memorial Park. Arrangements under the direction of Ruebel Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to Trinity United Methodist Church, 1100 N. Mississippi, Little Rock, AR 72207 or ARCF/Joseph Pfeifer Kiwanis Camp Endowment Fund, 1400 W. Markham Street, Suite 206, Little Rock, AR 72201. [www.ruebelfuneralhome.com](http://www.ruebelfuneralhome.com)