## IN LOVING MEMORY OF





SUNRISE: February 14, 1936

SUNSET: January 18, 2023

## SERVICE

Wednesday, February 14, 2024 11:00 AM

Janes Memorial United Methodist Church 47 East Haines Street Philadelphia, PA 19144 Rev. Stacey Jones-Anderson, Pastor

## Selba's Life Story

Selba Francis Meadows Boyd was the daughter of Jean James and the late Harvey Eugene Meadows. She was born in Ashland West Virginia on February 14, 1936. She was baptized in West Virginia and a member of Midway Shiloh Temple Church. Selba received her formal education in the public school system in West Virginia and graduated from Elkhorn High School. Selba was joined in marriage for 69 years to her lifelong soul mate Carl P Boyd.

Selba earned her Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education from Bluefield State College. After graduating she relocated to Philadelphia and obtained a teaching position with the School District of Philadelphia, and shortly after she was offered a position within the Abington School District. During her teaching career, Selba returned to Antioch University to earn her Master's Master's Degree.

During her 40-year teaching career, Selba touched the lives of many young people. There is a saying that "a good education can change anyone, but a good teacher can change everything", and Selba did that for each and every child in her classroom.

Selba and Carl provided the Bluefield State University, and the Alumni with a collection of archival memories of the history of Bluefield State College in West Virginia. The collection spans the years 1895 to 2020, and includes photos, newspapers, magazine articles, school publications, and school history.

Selba served as Secretary, and many other positions in the Alumni Association over a period of 60 years, and was also selected as Alumni Queen. Selba and Carl provided thousands of dollars to create the Carl and Selba Meadows Boyd Scholarship Endowment Fund for students at Bluefield State College, and the scholarwas extended to include students from Janes Methodist Church willing to attend the Bluefield State College, in Bluefield West Virginia. Selba and Carl were honored by the Bluefield State College by naming the conference room Carl P and Selba M Boyd Conference Room.

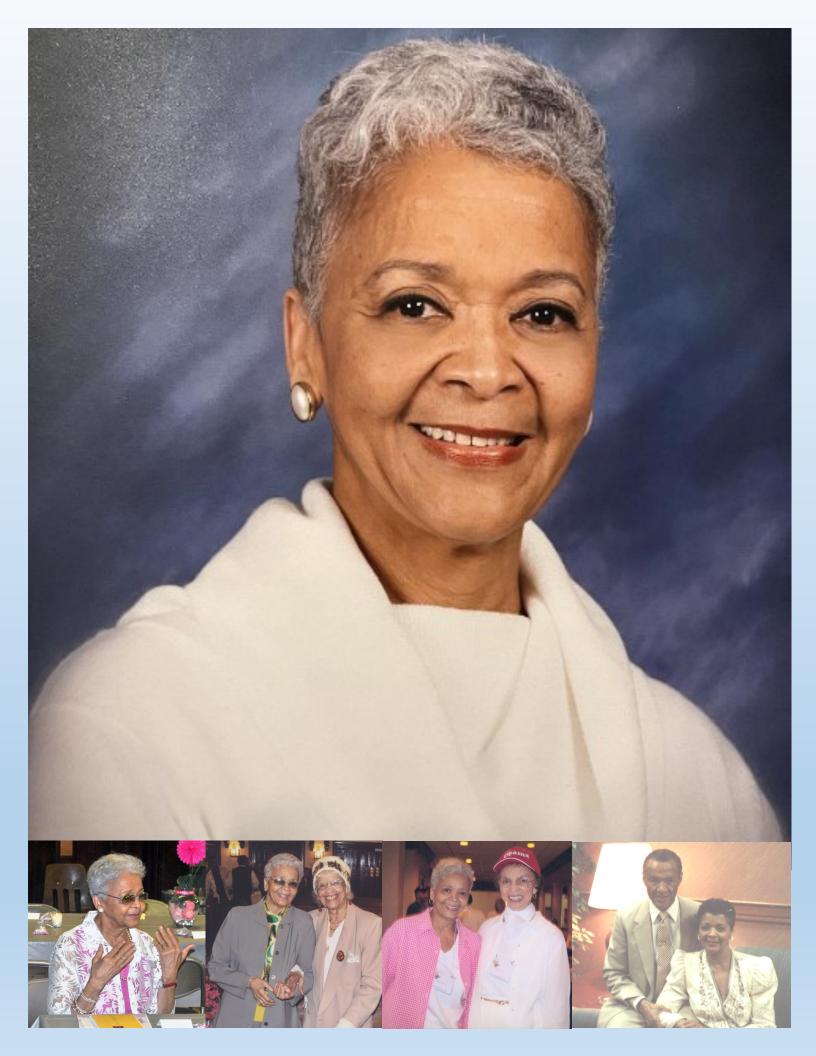
Selba was also one of the curators that provided Janes Memorial United Methodist Church with 150 years of archival history, pictures, and assortment of documents and history of the church.

If all that wasn't enough, Selba was a mother, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority member, model, actress, dancer, and a friend to all! She was a beautiful person inside and out, was kind, and cared deeply for the people around her.

Selba was preceded in death by her son, Carl P Boyd Jr., Brothers, Zebedee, Edward, Donald, Larry and Ronald Meadows, and her Sisters, Thelma Conrad Jones, Ernestine Adams, and Ethel Meadows Costello. Selba leaves to mourn her devoted Husband, Carl P Boyd, her Daughter, Carla L Boyd, her Sister-in-Law, Christine Meadows, and a host of loving and devoted Nieces and Nephews, Bluefield State University Alumni, longtime Friends, and Awbury Neighbors. We will always carry your memory in our hearts.

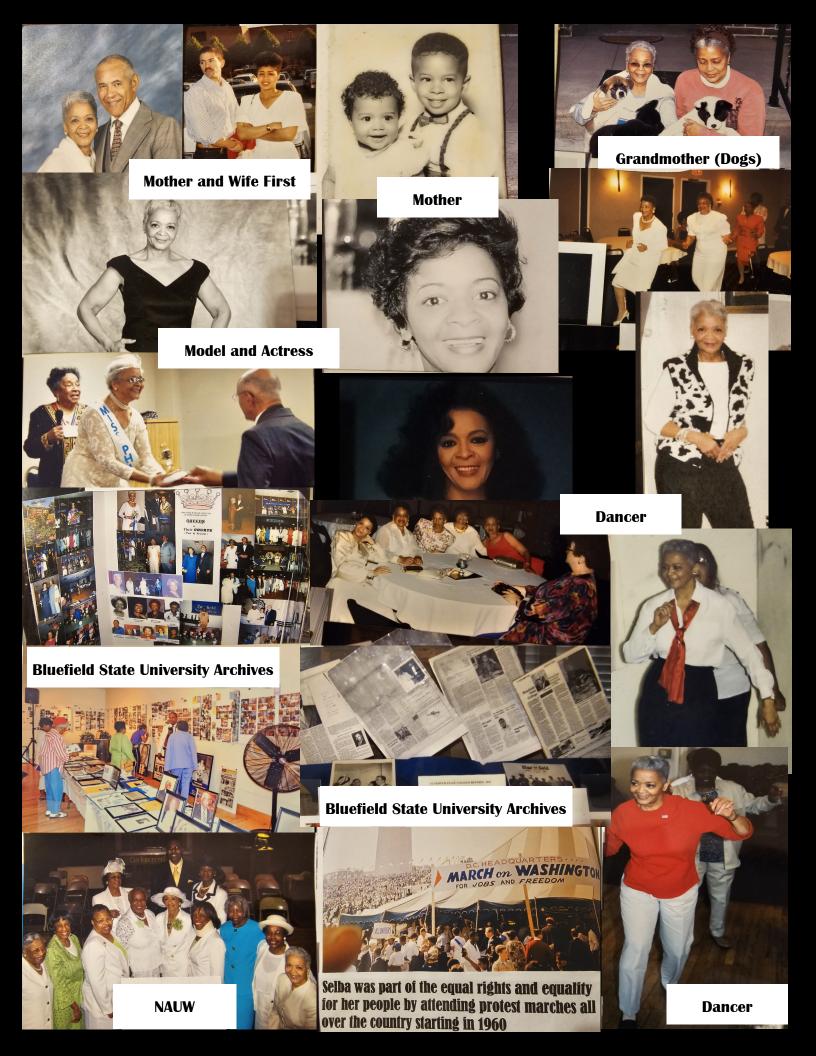
Lovingly Submitted,

The Family



Order of Service

Prelude Mr. Donald Myers
Processional Clergy & Family
The Words of Grace Pastor Stacey
Greeting
Opening Hymn "How Great Thy Art" AAHH #148 Verses 1, 2 & 4
Prayer of Remembrance
Scriptures
Old Testament: Ecclesiastes 3: 1-18
New Testament: John 14: 1-7
Solo Mrs. Marlene Wells
Obituary (read silently)
Hymn of Comfort "Jesus Is All The World To Me" AAHH #382
Time of Sharing Family & Friends (2 Minutes each)
Solo Mrs. Marlene Wells
Eulogy Rev. Stacey Jones-Anderson, Pastor
Affirmation of Faith
Hymn AAHH #281 Verses 1 & 2
Benediction Pastor Stacey
Recessional "When We All Get to Heaven" AAHH # 594 Verses 1 & 4





Selba was still climbing at 76

**Janes Church Member for 63 years** 

**Delta Sorority** 

## When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

When tomorrow starts without me, And I'm not there to see, If the sun should rise and find your eyes All filled with tears for me; I wish so much you wouldn't cry The way you did today, While thinking of the many things, We didn't get to say. I know how much you love, me, As much as I love you, And each time you think of me, I know you'll miss me too; But when tomorrow starts without me, Please try to understand, That an angel came and called my name, And took me by the hand, And said my place was ready, In heaven far above And that I'd have to leave behind All those I dearly love. But when I walked through heaven's gates I felt so much at home /hen God looked down and smiled at me, From His great golden throne. He said, "This is eternity, And all I've promised you. Today your life on earth is past But here it starts anew. I promíse no tomorrow, For today will always last, And since each day's the same way, There's no longing for the past. So when tomorrow starts without me, Don't think we're far apart, For every time you think of me, I'm right here, in your heart.