



## Dr. Arthenia Bates Millican

June 1, 1920 - December 13, 2012

Arthenia Jackson Bates Millican Was Esteemed Author and Poet Whose Works Bridge Cultures, Classes, Time and Place

Dr. Arthenia Jackson Bates Millican; noted author, poet, educator, member of Saint Jude Catholic Church, and a 70 year golden life member of Delta Sigma Theta, passed away Thursday, December 13, in Sumter, SC. She was the daughter of the late Calvin S. Jackson Sr. and Susan Emma David Jackson.

Dr. Millican was born in 1920 in Sumter, South Carolina and graduated from Lincoln High in 1937, Morris College, Sumter, South Carolina (BA 1941), Clark Atlanta University in Atlanta, Georgia (MA 1948), Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana (PhD. 1972).

Both in her writing and lifestyle, Dr. Millican embraced everyone regardless of academic standing, social status or religious preference.

Dr. Millican is survived by a son, Willie Louis Lee (Ruby), Clinton, Maryland; a sister, Catherine Alia (Alden), Chicago, Illinois; a brother, Edward G. Jackson (Margaret), Washington, DC; four grand-children, six great grand-children, a niece and caregiver Doris J. Dupree, (Willie) Sumter, SC, and a host of other nieces, nephews, and friends.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by three brothers,

Calvin Jackson, Graydon Jackson and Leon Jackson; two sisters, Victoria Jackson Barr Brunson, and Susan E. Jones.

The public may view Tuesday, from 1-6 p.m. at the Palmer Memorial Chapel, 304 South Main St, Sumter.

A Delta Sigma Theta Omega, Omega Service will be held 6:00 p.m. today, at the Palmer Memorial Chapel.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday at the Saint Jude Catholic Church, 611 West Oakland Avenue with Father Charles Donovan officiating. Interment will follow in the Walker Cemetery.

The family will receive friends at the residence of Doris and Willie Dupree, 224 Wildwood Ave., Sumter, S.C. 29154 prior to the funeral.

In lieu of flowers, the family offers the option of donating to the AJBM Literary Foundation in her honor.

Please send donations to:  
AJBM Literary Foundation  
P.O. Box 723, Sumter, SC, 29151.

Online memorials may be sent to: [www.palmermemorialchapel.com](http://www.palmermemorialchapel.com)  
Palmer Memorial Chapel is in charge of the professional arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Walker Cemetery

Oakland Ave  
Sumter, SC 29150

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. Arthenia Bates Millican*

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