Evangelist Emelda (Moody) Washington "I have fought a good fight, I have finished the race and I have kept the faith. Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge will give me on that day and not me only but also to all who have loved his appearing." Timothy 4:7-8  
 A native of Mount Airy, Louisiana, was called home to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Wednesday, December 3, 2008 at 5:25 p.m., at the age of 66. Emelda was born March 31, 1942 at Charity Hospital in New Orleans, Louisiana. With her family by her side, Emelda peacefully passed away at Ochsner Hospital in New Orleans, Louisiana.   
Emelda was predeceased in death by her parents, Ernest and Rosemary Washington and her sister Elaine Washington Orr.  
 A faithful, dedicated, and devoted mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. Three children survive her: Maurio, Randall and Nekol Alexis. Her grandchildren, Nikita Cornish, Myoneika Joseph, De'Anthony Alexis, Troychelle Alexis, Jai Alexis, and Maurion Alexis. Her siblings are Ernest Washington Jr., Ernistine Joseph, Rosemary Washington, Frederick Washington and Wilbert Washington. Her sister-in-law include: Claudia Washington, Brenda Vinnet, and Denese Washington, her Godparent, Wilmer Edwards and Godchildren, Virgil, Scott, Chad Smith and Tammy Houston, a host of nieces and nephews, cousins and friends.  
Evangelist Emelda was a well renowned educator in the St. John the Baptist parish for over 44 years. Her alliances includes, but not limited to , Word of Life Ministries, First Community Antioch Baptist Church, The New St. John Missionary Baptist Church, and even in the privacy of her own home, where she not only fellowshipped, but taught the word of God.   
 She was an "Army Officer Servant of God", who, without preconceived reservations, welcomed everyone from the community and surrounding areas, into her home for weekly word cells.  
 She was a graduate, and Alumni of Southern University of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, where she received both her Bachelors and Masters Degrees. She attended the Word of Life Ministries School of Theology, where she became a licensed Evangelist.  
 Emelda will always be remembered for her generosity and kindness to others. She will be sorely missed by her family, and the many friends she leaves behind.  
 Relatives and friends are invited to attend the Funeral Services at The New St. John Missionary Baptist Church, 287 Daffodil St., in Mount Airy, Louisiana at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, December 10, 2008. Visitation at the church after 9:00a.m. Burial Zion Travelers Cemetery, Reserve, LA.  
 Professional Services Entrusted to: The Baloney Funeral Home, LLC, 399 Earl Baloney Street, P.O. Box 69, Garyville, Louisiana 70051 (985) 535-2540

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