

# *L.C. Poitier*

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## **FUNERAL HOME**

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Mrs. Nellie Lee Ford Poitier was an outstanding citizen in Pompano Beach, Florida. She did her part in helping to make this city a great place to live. She was a dedicated and caring teacher. She had an influence on her students which led to many success stories which she was proud to know. She was the owner of L.C. Poitier Funeral Home which is on the Local Register of Historic Places. She took pride in offering a service to meet the needs of people as well as pride in the appearance of her business. She felt that the way you maintained your place of business was a reflection on the city.

We strongly feel that naming NW 6<sup>th</sup> Street in her honor is a great and lasting way to remember her as a Pompano Beach citizen who stood out because she cared and proved it. She believed in not just talking but actually doing something to bring about change. She was very active in her community and touched many lives by being a dedicated citizen of Pompano Beach, Florida. She would do everything possible to aid a family in need. There was no task too great or too small when it came to helping a child in need. She would prepare meals and invite everyone she came into contact with to share. She would outspokenly let you know when you are right and when you are wrong. She would listen if you just wanted or needed to talk and she would give sound advice when asked. Her impact in Pompano Beach is everlasting. A street named after her will show gratitude and respect to an outstanding citizen who loved her city of Pompano Beach.

*Woodrow J. Poitier*

Sincerely,

Woodrow J. Poitier, Owner & Licensed Funeral Director & Son of Nellie Poitier

## Biography

Nellie Ford Poitier was born on January 9, 1924 in Midway, Florida to Charlie and Alberta Ford. She graduated from Public High School in Midway, Fl. She received a bachelor degree in Home Economics in 1947 from Bethune Cookman College in Daytona Beach, Florida. She received further certification in Elementary Education at Florida A+M University in Tallahassee, Florida. She was employed by the Public Schools Systems in Calhoun County (Blountstown), St. Lucie County (Ft. Pierce, Florida)

Mrs. Poitier became a resident of Pompano Beach in 1956 and remained a resident until her demise in 1992. While living here was employed by the Broward County Schools Board in 1957. She taught at Ely High School and later in 1970 was transferred to Pompano Beach High School. She taught there until she retired in 1989.

She married L.C. Poitier in 1957. She has a son, Woodrow J. Poitier and a daughter Delphyne Dorsey. She became a member of Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church. She was an active member of Kappa Kappa Omega chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. Today the sorority gives a scholarship in her name annually to a deserving young lady.

Nellie Ford Poitier departed this life on February 15, 1992 following a short illness.