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A History of the Black Campus Community



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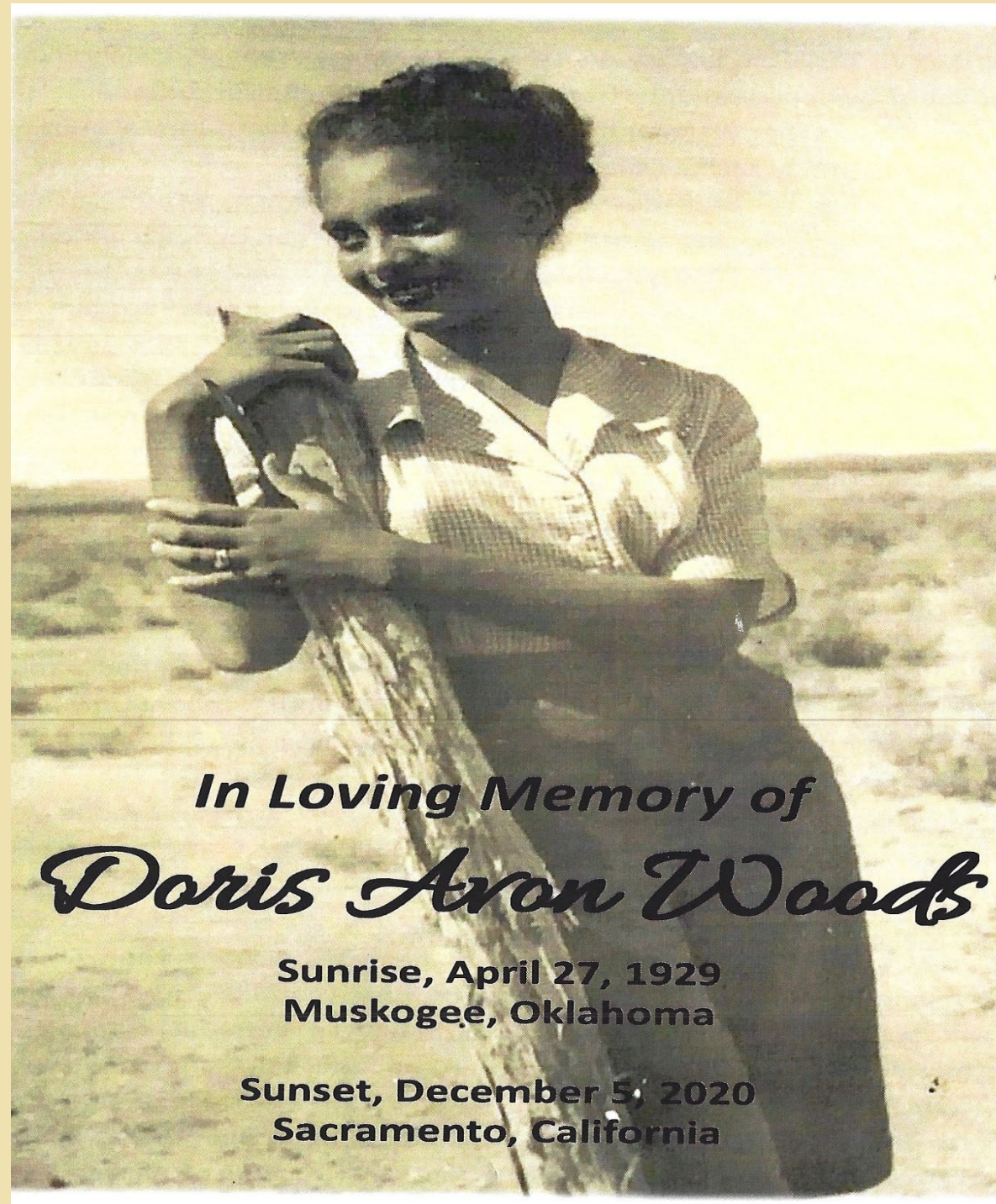


A CSUS FAMILY AFFAIR - THE REEDE FAMILY

- Doris A Woods BA Education 1951
MA Education 1974
- Cheryl D. Matlock-Reede BA Criminal Justice 1986
- Dr. James W. Reede, Jr. Masters Public Policy & Administration 1998
CSU Chancellor Doctoral Incentive Fellow 2000
Ed.D. University of San Francisco 2003
- Cheryl D. Matlock-Reede MS Community Counseling 2009
- Jessica S. Reede BA Communication Studies 2015

Doris A. Woods

First African-American Female CSUS Graduate - 1951



In Loving Memory of

Doris Avon Woods

Sunrise, April 27, 1929
Muskogee, Oklahoma

Sunset, December 5, 2020
Sacramento, California

Doris Avon Woods was born on April 27, 1929 in Muskogee, Oklahoma. The first of two children born from the union of Mitchell and Marie Jackson, she and her younger brother were raised by her paternal aunt Atha Reeves in Chickasha, Oklahoma.

Excelling in her academics and music, she graduated from Lincoln High School in Chickasha. Shortly thereafter, she began her collegiate career at Prairie View A & M College in 1947. It was there she met her future husband, the collegiate tennis champion and chemistry student Leon A. Woods Jr.

Continuing her studies at Sacramento City College (California), she graduated from Sacramento State College in 1951. It was that same year she married Leon Jr. and began her distinguished career as an educator.

In 1951 she began the career she loved impacting the lives of young students as a teacher, later as a Principal in the Del Paso Heights community of Sacramento. Later receiving a Masters of Arts, from CSUS, she retired having spent over thirty years working with and serving students and teachers. Though retired, her work in the field of education was not completed. She then began her employ with National University working with and mentoring many student-teachers as they began their careers.

Her involvement with civic and community organizations was equally impressive. Doris was a charter member of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, La Belle and Le Beau Arts and the National Coalition of 100 Black Women (NCBW) and a docent at the Crocker Art Museum.

Doris was preceded in death by her late husband Leon Jr. and brother John Jackson. She is survived by sons Leon III, Gary A. Woods, granddaughter Lisa Ann Woods, sister-in-law La Vern Jackson, nieces Betty Hill, Brenda Gipson (Mike), Barbara and John Jackson, Lynn Mullins (Mike), great nieces Lauren, Brittany, Kristara, Carlena and cousins Dr. James W. Reede (Cheryl), Billy Cohee, Bob Cohee, Linda Howard (Larry) of Chicago, Yvonne Cohee-Cockerham (Donald) of Oakland and Amy Diaz.



Leon, Doris and John



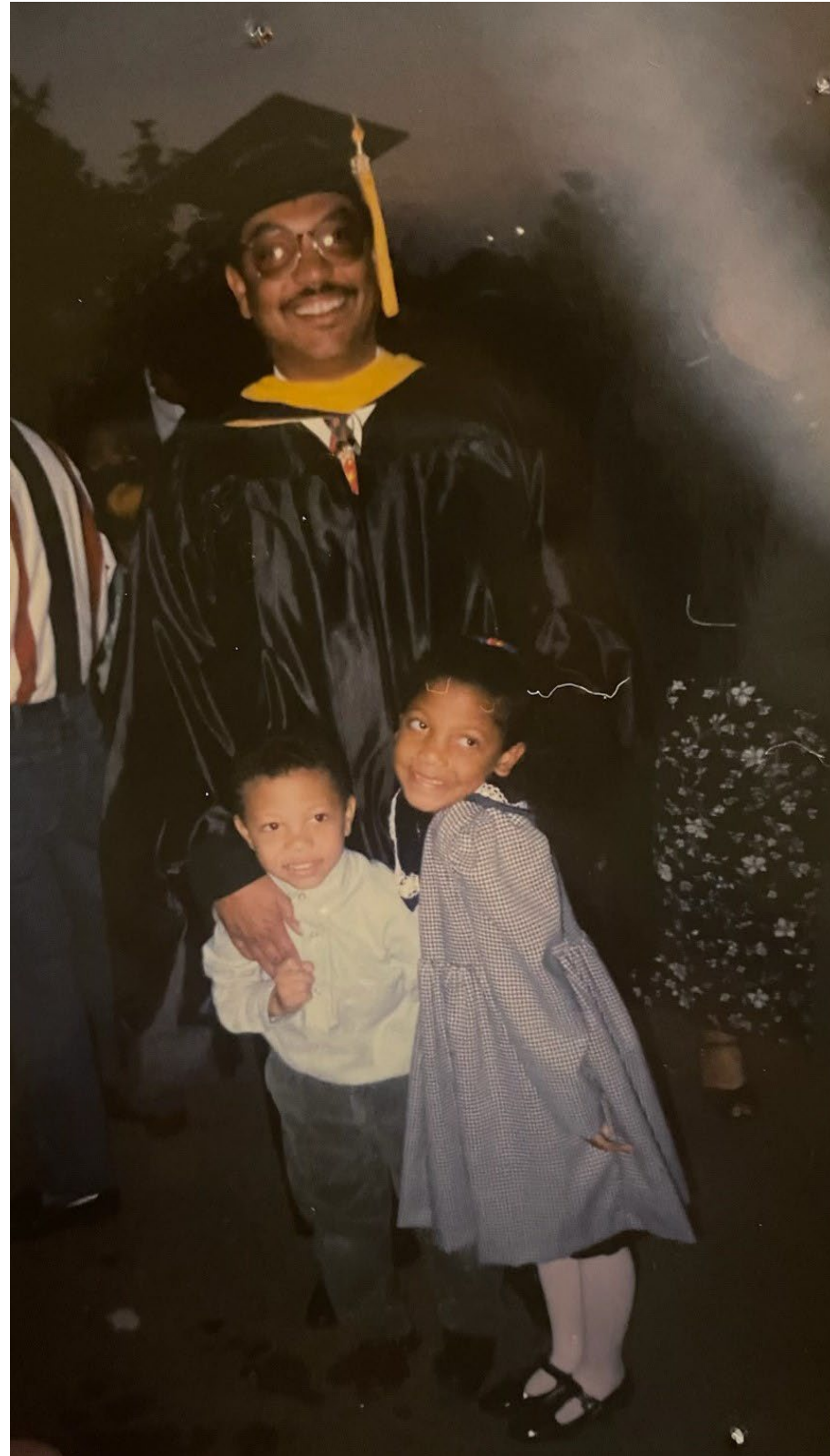
PRINCIPAL DORIS AND STUDENTS AT DEL PASO HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



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MPPA 1998



Jessica S. Reede
BA 2015



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BA 1986 MS 2009



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2015 BA Communications CSU-Sacramento
2018 MA Counseling Prairie View A&M



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2017 BS Biology Jackson State University - Golf
2020 MBA University of South Carolina