

5TH ANNUAL BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAM

# Black Leaders

## IN AMERICAN CULTURE AND HISTORY

**February 13**

2:30 p.m. – Reception | 3 p.m. – Program



### FEATURED SPEAKER

### Mrs. Sephira Bailey Shuttlesworth

Widow of Fred Shuttlesworth, Civil Rights activist with Dr. King



**Sephira Bailey Shuttlesworth**, a former teacher and elementary school principal of 23 years, was born in Jackson, Tennessee to working-class parents who stressed education as a means to a better way of life. In 1965, Sephira and two of her siblings integrated Pope Elementary School in Jackson, TN, her hometown. She began college at Union University while still a student at North Side High School, which resulted in her

earning a B.S. Degree in Elementary Education (1979) in fewer than three years.

Mrs. Shuttlesworth moved to Cincinnati, Ohio in 1979, where she began her career as an educator. She earned a Master's Degree, with Administrator's Certification (1994), as well as, a Peace Education Certificate (1995) from the University of Cincinnati.

In 1986, she met Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth and remained friends with him for 20+ years. In November of 2006, the two were married at the church he founded in Cincinnati.

Brimming with insider information and knowledge of the role, strategies and motives

used by her late husband Rev. Shuttlesworth in the Birmingham, Alabama Civil Rights Movement, Mrs. Shuttlesworth brings her own unique perspective as she informs, excites, and challenges groups of all ages and standings to recognize that each of us has the power to alter the circumstances and the outcomes in our lives thereby creating harmony, justice, sustainability, balance, and equality in the world.

She is the birth mother of one daughter, Audrey Bailey Wilson (Darnell) and the grandmother of Myles Donovan Wilson, of Cincinnati, Ohio.



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