

Young Rapper Signs Deal

A teenage rapper from Houston's African American community has taken the world by storm with her infectious energy and sharp rhymes.

Nickelodeon last week announced it has signed a deal with 13-year-old social media star and hip-hop artist, Alaya "That Girl Lay Lay" High to develop original programming for the entertainment channel, supporting her music career and an exclusive line of consumer products.

A musical prodigy who has dazzled famous fans like Nick Cannon and Le'Veon Bell with her viral freestyle raps, Lay Lay has been writing, producing, rapping and singing since the age of five. At age 11, she became the youngest female rapper to sign a recording deal and released her debut project, Tha Cheat Code following a jaw dropping performance on The Ellen DeGeneres Show.

With TV appearances, national ad campaigns and book deals firmly under her belt, the sky is the limit for this talented young star.



Alaya "That Girl Lay Lay" High

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Wilma Pauline Graham

Jan. 12, 1934 - June 11, 2020

Wilma Pauline Graham passed away peacefully Thursday, June 11, 2020 of natural causes after a long illness. She was born in Hazelhurst, Miss., Jan. 12, 1934 to George Byrd and Georgia Tillman, and was the oldest of four children. She was raised in Empora, Miss., with her Aunt Hopie and Uncle Charlie White.

She traveled to Oregon and joined Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church, where she met deacon Elijah Graham Sr. They were married in 1952, which was the first wedding at the church. They had two sons Elijah (Tim) Graham Jr. (Leisa) and Tony Andre Graham.



Wilma was a Licensed Practical Nurse for 50 years. She worked at Emanuel Hospital, Holiday Park and OHSU, retiring as head nurse at Terwilliger Plaza.

Wilma had a loving, giving spirit. She enjoyed entertaining her family and friends. She loved

antiques, decorating her home, going fishing and getting dressed up!

She adored her five grandchildren, Lesa, Elijah III, Meyaka, Alexandria and Eli IV (Bo). She also had two great-grandchildren, Malea and Naya; and several nieces and nephews.

Wilma was preceded in death by her husband, Grand Master Mason and Deacon Elijah Graham Sr.; her mother Georgia; father George; brother Willie Zeal and sister Alice Faye. She leaves behind to celebrate her memory, her sister Ruth, her sons, grandchildren and numerous other family members.

We lost a beautiful wife, mom, sister and grandmother. She will FOREVER be in our hearts.

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