

A Letter From Heaven – Unknown

To my dearest family, some things I'd like to say.
But first of all, to let you know, that I arrived okay.
I'm writing this from heaven.
Here I dwell with God above.
Here, there's no more tears of sadness;
Here is just eternal love.

Please do not be unhappy just because I'm out of sight.
Remember that I am with you every morning, noon and night.
That day I had to leave you when my life on earth was through.
God picked me up and hugged me and He said, I welcome you.
It's good to have you back again, you were missed while you were gone.
As for your dearest family, They'll be here later on.

I need you here so badly, you are part of my plan.
There is so much that we can do, to help our mortal man.
God gave me a list of things, that he wished for me to do.
And foremost on the list, was to watch and care for you.
And when you lie in bed at night the days chores put to flight.
God and I are closest to you....in the middle of the night.

When you think of my life on earth, and all those loving years.
Because you are only human, they are bound to bring you tears.
But do not be afraid to cry; it does relieve the pain.
Remember there would be no flowers, unless there was some rain.
I wish that I could tell you all that God has planned.
If I were to tell you, you wouldn't understand.

But one thing is for certain, though my life on earth is over.
I'm closer to you now, than I ever was before.
There are rocky roads ahead of you and many hills to climb;
But together we can do it by taking one day at a time.
It was always my philosophy and I'd like it for you too;
That as you give unto the world, the world will give to you.

If you can help somebody who is in sorrow and pain;
Then you can say to God at night....My day was not in vain.
And now I am contented... that my life was worthwhile.
Knowing as I passed along the way I made somebody smile.
So if you meet somebody who is sad and feeling low;
Just lend a hand to pick them up, as on your way you go.

When you're walking down the street and you've got me on your mind;
I'm walking in your footsteps only half a step behind.
And when its time for you to go...from that body to be free.
Remember you're not going...you're coming here to me.

Celebration of Life

For

Sister Betty Z. Harris



Saturday, August 3, 2013

1:00pm

Greater Galilee Baptist Church – Winston Salem

1355 Peachtree Street ~ Winston Salem, NC

Rev. Dr. Robert L. McGowens, Sr. – Officiate

Funeral Services held at

St. Stephen Baptist Church ~ 5000 Noble Street

Winston Salem, NC

Pastor James E. Cook, Senior Pastor

Order of Service

Family Hour—12noon

(Order of Scottish Rite Eastern Star ~ Ruth Chapter 533)

Funeral Service ~ 1pm

Worship Leader Minister Calvin Holloway

Opening Hymn "Blessed Assurance " GGBC Combined Choir

Scripture Reading

Old Testament Minister Irvin Baxter

New Testament Minister Shelia Kebe

Prayer of Comfort

Selection St. Stephen Missionary Baptist Church Choir

Church Resolution Deaconess Sabrina Wolfe, GGBC Church Clerk

Remarks (2 minutes)

Minister Robert Barr (Agape Faith Church)

Sister Cassandra McMichaels (Community)

Deacon Mitchell Carlton—St. Stephen Baptist Church

Minister Bevelena Davis (Friend)

Minister Aaron Harris (Family)

Reading of Obituary Sister Rhonda Murray, GGBC Church Secretary

Solo Sister Vickie Howell

Words of Comfort Pastor Robert L. McGowens, Sr.
Greater Galilee Baptist Church Charlotte– Winston Salem, NC

Recessional

Interment

Parklawn Memorial Gardens ~ 2730 Peters Creek Pkwy, ~ Winston Salem

Casket Bearers

Greater Galilee Charlotte/Winston Salem
Brotherhood Deacons Trustees

Floral Bearers

Greater Galilee Charlotte/Winston Salem

Missionary Ministry, Trustee Ladies, Deaconess Ministry

Obituary

Betty Z “Chris” Harris

Mrs. Betty Harris passed away July 26, 2013 at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center.

She was born November 18, 1932 to Bertha Ziglar and Chris Walker in Forsyth County. Sister Betty joined Greater Galilee Baptist Church March 31, 2013 and was a devoted member of Greater Galilee Baptist Church. She was formerly a member of St. Stephen Missionary Baptist Church for approximately 50 years.

Sister Betty attended Carver High School, Forsyth Technical Institute and other business schools in the city. Sister Betty was a member of Forsyth County BTU, also a member of Forsyth County Baptist Sunday School Union and a member of Lotta Carey Foreign Missionary. Betty was a retired employee Bowman Gray School of Medicine with 30 years of service.

In addition to her mother, Betty and her father Chris she was preceded in death by her husband, Charles E. Harris, Sr., one son, Ferlaudrus “Alexander” Harris; 2 sisters, Stella Oaks, Bertha Reynolds; 6 brothers, Levi, Charles, Oscar, Archie, Ramzey, and Alonzo Ziglar.

She leaves to cherish her beautiful and precious memories, three children, Charles E. Harris, Jr., Maurice L. Harris, Sr., and Doris “Charlene” (Aaron) Oliver, all of the city. Grandchildren, Chante E. (Rena) Taylor, Sr., Maurice Harris, Jr. and Shamar Harris; Three Great grandchildren, Monica, Chante, Jr., Christine; a special daughter; One sister, Ruth Reaves; one sister-in-law, Mary Frances Barr, two beloved and devoted friends, Ms. Panissa Bryant and Minister Bevelena Davis; and a host of nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.

~~~~~Acknowledgements~~~~~

The Harris Family wishes to acknowledge with deep gratitude, the expressions of Sympathy that have been extended during this time of bereavement. May God richly bless each of you.