

*Flower Bearers*

**Deaconesses**

*Casket Bearers*

**Deacons**

## **Our Matriarch**

(paraphrased)

*Black, beautiful intuitive and strong  
The matriarch, the stabilizer,  
The earth's backbone  
From the beginning she excels  
determined to survive  
In her womb the seed of trillions  
through the ages she will provide  
Unfazed by obstacles  
Perpetual is her drive  
Kings, Queens all royalty alike  
are inherently in her blood line  
Against all odds she presses on  
not a moment does her love wane  
She looks down through the annals of  
time and realize she must maintain  
Her aura of invincibility  
Her spirit of strong will  
Her disposition of 'I will succeed  
regardless of the mountainous hills'  
She is black, bold and beautiful,  
mother, grandmother, and friend  
Her strength personified since birth  
She is the matriarch of our family  
She is the backbone of the earth*

By: Mitchell M. Gissendanner

## **Our Gratitude**

We are grateful to God  
for the life of our beloved,  
**Kathleen Bitting Mock.**  
And we thank you dear friends  
for every kindness shown to us  
during this difficult period in our  
lives. We will always remember  
your kind expressions of love,  
friendship and sympathy.

## **THE FAMILY**

“O God, thou hast taught me from  
my youth and hitherto have I  
declared thy wondrous works.  
Now also when I am old and grey-  
headed, O God, forsake me not;  
until I have shewed thy strength  
unto this generation, and thy power  
to everyone that is to come.”

**Psalm 71:17, 18**

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*Service in Loving Memory of*  
***Mrs. Kathleen Bitting Mock***



**Saturday, December 28, 2013**  
11:00 a.m.

**Rising Ebenezer Baptist Church**  
900 Free Street  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

**Reverend William C. Brown, Pastor/Eulogist**

## Obituary

Kathleen Bitting Mock was born in Forsyth County, North Carolina to the late Wade Henry Bitting, Sr. (1885-1968) and Josephine Steele Bitting (1894-1963) on May 1, 1924. She was a graduate of Atkins High School where she was a member of the Women's Basketball Team. Following high school graduation, she briefly attended Winston-Salem Teachers' College in pursuit of a degree in Elementary Education. She was employed by and retired from Salem College and Academy after several years of dedicated service.

Mrs. Mock married the late Douglass E. Mock and they became the proud parents of three children. Known for her pleasant smile, Kathleen was an avid reader, storyteller and jokester. She assigned nicknames to her grandchildren, nieces and nephews and she always encouraged them to strive to reach their highest potential in life.

She joined Rising Ebenezer Baptist Church at a very young age and maintained that membership throughout her lifetime. She gave faithful service to the Senior Choir Ministry, Ida Potter Missionary Circle and many Sunday school classes. She was pianist for the Weekly Bible Study and Devotional Services at her home church and at Union Chapel Baptist Church. Kathleen shared a very special and unique love for her pastor, Reverend William C. Brown and the Rising Ebenezer Baptist Church Family.

In the community, she was historian for The Happy Hill Gardens Reunion and following in the footsteps of her father, *the activist*, she became actively involved in "**Across the Creek at Salem.**"

Very early on Friday, December 20, 2013, God, in His infinite wisdom, called Kathleen from The Oaks at Forsyth in Winston-Salem to join Him in eternal rest. She now serves as an anointed, spirit-filled songstress and musician on that heavenly choir which includes her parents; late husband; nine siblings, Annie, Nathaniel, Percy, Leo Henry, Alberta Bitting Mitchell, Andrew, Wade Jr., Paul, Matelyn 'Tine' Hunter; four sisters-in-law, Evelyn Mock Childs, Arnice Penn Bitting, Callie 'Cal' Hunter Bitting and Louise Rapley Bitting.

*Those who will forever cherish loving memories of Kathleen* include her children, Brenda Joyce Mock Terry, Douglas E. Mock, Jr., and Ward Aubrey Mock; her faithful, loving and dedicated daughter-in-law, Jeanette L. Mock; eight grandchildren of whom she was very proud, Keith Stavaughn, India Nicole and Mark Avery Terry, Jermaine and Tiffany Mock, Jerrold, Chantay and Patrice Ijames; nineteen great grandchildren; two great, great grandchildren; and many very special nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews who loved "Aunt Kat." She will also be greatly missed by her spiritual, biological and extended family members and her neighbors at The Oaks at Forsyth.

## The Processional

Gathering of Family and Friends

10:30 a.m.

## Order of Service

Opening Song "Victory Is Mine" Ms. Patricia Bitting

## The Holy Scripture

Old Testament Reading

Minister Robert Cooper

New Testament Reading

Deacon Ted Petree

Prayer of Comfort

Deacon Jerry McDuffie

Solo

Brother Michael Moses

## Resolutions

Community - Ms. Yvonne Willis

Church - Ms. Peggy Hale

## Family Tributes and Reflections

Mr. Paul F. Bitting

Mr. George Burl

Ms. India Terry

Mr. Douglas Mock

Solo

Sister Carolyn Turner

Eulogy

Reverend William C. Brown  
Pastor, Rising Ebenezer Baptist Church

Recessional

The Interment

Evergreen Cemetery  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina