### Attendants

## Great Granddaughters and Great Grandsons

#### "I STOOD BY YOUR BED"

I stood by your bed last night, I came to take a peep. I could see that you were crying, you found it hard to sleep.

I spoke to you softly as you brushed away a tear, "It's me, I haven't left you, I'm well, I'm fine, I'm here."

I was close to you at breakfast, I watched you pour the tea, You were thinking of the many times your hands reached out to me.

I was with you at the shops today, your arms were getting sore, I longed to take your parcels, I wish I could do more.

I was with you at my grave today, you tend it with such care.
I want to reassure you, that I'm not lying there.

I walked with you towards the house, as you fumbled for your key.
I gently put my hand on you, I smiled and said "it's me."

You looked so very tired, and sank into a chair.

I tried so hard to let you know, that I was standing there.

It's possible for me to be so near you every day. To say to you with certainty, "I never went away."

You sat there very quietly, then smiled, I think you knew... In the stillness of that evening, I was very close to you

The day is over... I smile and watch you yawning and say "goodnight.

God bless, I'll see you in the morning."

And when the time is right for you to cross the brief divide, I'll rush across to greet you and we'll stand, side by side.

I have so many things to show you, there is so much for you to see.

Be patient, live your journey out...

Then come home to be with me. -Unknown



# HOME-GOING CELEBRATION FOR Mrs. Virginia Lee Reed





MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2015 12 NOON

CLARK S. BROWN AND SONS FUNERAL HOME CHAPEL 727 NORTH PATTERSON AVENUE WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA

REVEREND L. D. MYRICK, EULOGIST

# Obituary

"Some glad morning, when this life is o'er, I'll fly away.

To a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away."

Mrs. Virginia Lee Brewer Jones Reed was the seventh child born to the late Charles Thomas Brewer and Eulalia Jones Brewer in Franklin County, Ohio on October 13, 1925.

She received her education in the public schools of Franklin County. Following her mother's death in 1943, she relocated to Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Schooling then became secondary to family responsibilities and she became a breadwinner and caregiver. She gave tender and loving care to her daughter, Carolyn, for over sixty years.

Mrs. Reed was employed as a domestic in private homes early on and after that she went to work for Hyatt Winston-Salem Hotel until her retirement. She was of the Baptist Faith.

Mrs. Virginia Lee Reed answered the Lord's call from labor to reward at her residence in Winston-Salem on Tuesday, May 26, 2015. She was "welcomed home" to a heavenly celebration which reunites her with her parents; her daughter, Katherine Jones and six siblings, who all preceded her in death.

Those family members who survive and who will forever cherish loving memories include her daughter, Carolyn Jones; her son, Jeff (Charlette) Reed; her grandchildren, Pamelia Howell, Rayponzia Murphy, Raymond Couthen, Jr., Ronald Couthen, Steven Couthen, Cary Couthen, Curtis Reed and James Long, Jr.; eighteen great grandchildren; sixteen great grandchildren; and a special and devoted friend, Maggie Thompson; and extended family members and friends.

"To a land where joys shall never end, I'll fly away."



### **Our Gratitude**

Friends and neighbors, we appreciate the extraordinary gifts of friendship, love and comfort extended to us during this difficult period of loss of our family matriarch. God bless you for your kindness.

A special thank you to The Brothers and Sisters of Jehovah's Witness Kingdom Hall, WFU Baptist Medical Center and Kate B. Reynolds Hospice and Palliative Care.

The Family

The Processional

Organist Mr. James Anderson

Family Visitation Period 11:00 am - 12 noon

Order of Service

Opening Selection Mr. Bennie Warren

"Walk Around Heaven"

The Holy Scripture

Old Testament Reading Mr. Travis Lindsay
New Testament Reading Mr. Willie Mason

Prayer of Comfort Reverend L. D. Myrick

Solo Ms. Gail Couthen

"The Battle Is Not Yours"

Family Reflections and Tributes (please limit remarks to 2 minutes)

Solo Ms. Arlene Reynolds

Eulogy Reverend L. D. Myrick

Recessional

Interment Parklawn Memorial Park

2730 Peters Creek Parkway Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Family and Friends Repast La Deara Crest Estates Apartments

2531 LaDeara Crest Lane Winston-Salem, NC