











A Mother's Love

A mother's love is unconditional, and from her heart this can be told.

A mother's love is nutritional; it is the fruit that feeds our soul.

A mother's love 'IS' true love, and from her heart she cannot lie.

A mother's love is eternal, the kind that won't ever die.

A mother's love is the tie that binds, and her bond can never be broken.

A mother's love is branded in our hearts, even when her words aren't spoken...

-Unknown

Acknowledgement

There are those whose lives death cannot diminish.

Their love radiates forever in the hearts of family and friends.

We felt that love in your thoughtfulness.

And we thank you for every kindness shown.

God gives us comfort in the form of good friends. May His peace be with you for His love never ends.

The Family



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A Service of Witness to the Resurrection for Mrs. Velma Penn Hawkins



Thursday, September 4, 2014 11:00 a.m.

Evergreen Cemetery 2124 New Walkertown Road Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Dr. Carlton H. G. Eversley, Officiant Bishop Joseph P. Lowery, Co-Officiant

Obituary

Mrs. Velma Penn Hawkins was born in Forsyth County on July 13, 1941. She the youngest of three children born to the late Bruce Penn and Sadie G. Penn.

She was a 1959 graduate of Atkins High School and she earned a BA Degree in Criminal Justice from Shaw University. She also completed the Basic Law Enforcement Training Program in Winston-Salem.

Mrs. Hawkins had a varied employment history which included a position as a Children's Counselor with the New York City Department of Social Services and in Winston-Salem she was employed as a School Crossing Guard and Substitute Teacher for Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools, an officer for Pinkerton Security and Investigation Service and she was Owner/Operator of Hawkins Transportation System for children.

She was a former member of White Rock Baptist Church and was most recently in regular attendance at Dellabrook Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Hawkins was a member of Rho Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Sisters of Bivouac #530, OES and National Women of Achievement (Pfafftown Chapter).

She passed away at Forsyth Medical Center in Winston-Salem on Friday, August 29, 2014, after a period of illness. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Harold Penn.

Those family members who survive and who will forever cherish fond memories of **Velma Penn Hawkins** include her loving and devoted son, Sean R. Hawkins (D'Netta Breland); grandson, Sean R. Hawkins, Jr.; brother, Willis (Barbara) Penn of Charlotte; cousins, Claudine Cheek, Lillie B. Wilson, Dr. Sadie (James) Webster and James (Kathy) Brown; five nieces; five nephews; a devoted and very close friend, Isadora Springs; special friends, Thelma Chevannes of Norcross, GA and Barbara (Jordan) Colley of New York; and many other relatives, extended family members and friends.

Order of Worship

The Invocation

Hymn "Amazing Grace" (two stanzas)

Prayer of Comfort Dr. Carlton A. G. Eversley
Senior Pastor, Dellabrook Presbyterian Church
Winston-Salem, NC

Old Testament Scripture Bishop Joseph P. Lowery Pastor, St. Matthews Apostolic Temple Church of Jesus Christ Winston-Salem, NC

Reflections Bishop Joseph P. Lowery Atkins High School "Camels" Schoolmate

New Testament Scripture Dr. Carlton Eversley

Eulogistic Remarks Dr. Carlton Eversley

The Committal / The Lord's Prayer

Closing Prayer and Benediction

Hymn "When We All Get to Heaven" (Chorus)



Only One Mother

-Irish Funeral Prayer

You can only have one mother patient, kind and true; no other friend in all the world, will be the same to you.

When other friends forsake you, to mother you will return, for all her loving kindness, she asks nothing in return.

As we look upon her picture, sweet memories we recall, of a face so full of sunshine, and a smile for one and all.

Sweet Jesus, take this message, to our dear mother up above; tell her how we miss her, and give her all our love.