

THE VALIANT FIGHT

The valiant fight is not quick, nor easy
'Tis a struggle of arduous length
In which few have battled more nobly
Fought with more courage or strength

Refusing to accept the probabilities and odds
Odds that counted them an easy prey
Striving to remain with cherished loved ones
Determined they'd somehow find a way

Bravely enduring pain and weakness
In exchange for the chance it would provide
To give their body more time to fight the battle
Hoping for a healing over time

Giving their best through all the challenges
Pushing their body past the limits of its strength
Touching the hearts of all who witnessed
This battle over unexpected lengths

...And for a time even death itself
Turned and hung its head in shame
Subdued by the courage and valiant strength it saw
In the soul it sought to claim...

Yet eternity's purposes may differ
From ours in this earthly frame
And at times death's rebirth to life eternal
Accomplishes purposes we're unable to explain

So there are times when death is allowed
To take a soul fighting the valiant fight
Yet Marilyn's bravery wasn't diminished
Because the outcome was death, instead of life

And though her loss is truly tragic
And her absence so vivid and strong
Our hearts swell with pride, having witnessed her bravery
The legacy of courage to which she belongs

And our final farewells were exempt of any regrets
Only marked by admiration and deepest love
A love that will carry us through 'til that blessed day
When we are reunited in heaven above.

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A Celebration of Life

For

Miss Marilyn Ann Bailey

"Heaven has a New Angel"



Sunrise: October 20, 1946

Sunset: August 8, 2014

August 16, 2014

12:00 Noon Service

Evergreen Cemetery
2124 New Walkertown Road
Winston-Salem, NC

Minister Alicia Bailey, Eulogist

Obituary

On Friday, August 8, 2014, God dispatched an angel to Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center to take our loved one back to heaven to meet her mother, father, sisters, brothers and friends who preceded her. Marilyn Ann Bailey was warmly received at that grand reunion in the sky.

She was born in Winston-Salem, NC on October 20, 1946 to the late William McKinley Bailey, Sr. and Mary Louise Reaves Bailey.

Marilyn Bailey was educated in the public schools of Winston-Salem/ Forsyth County and graduated from A.H. Anderson Senior High School. She received her early Christian Education at Rising Ebenezer Baptist Church where she attended along with other family members.

She was known to “entertain strangers” because she had a spirit of fellowship, a giving heart and loving personality.

The memory of Marilyn Bailey will forever be cherished by her children, Reginald Bailey and Sonja Bailey; four grandchildren, Malcolm Bailey, Lorenzo Jarrett, Jr., Brittany Bailey and Brianna Bailey; two sisters, Virginia Bailey Cuthrell and Aurelia Bailey Stribling; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family members and many friends.

Family Acknowledgement

Life has loveliness to tell,
all beautiful and splendid things
like the many well wishes
you sent our way to touch
our hearts from day to day.
You said that you care with
a very special touch-
this is life's loveliness.
Thank you so much.

The Order Of Service

Opening Solo	Ms. Sandra Cunningham
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Scripture Readings

Old Testament	Psalms 23	Mr. Marquis Bailey
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New Testament	II Timothy 4:7-8	Trustee Bobby Cunningham
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Prayer of Comfort	Deacon William Reeves
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Remarks	Reverend Dr. Daryl Hairston
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Solo	Ms. Maxine Brown
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Eulogy	Minister Alicia Bailey
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Benediction

