

“God’s Eternal Day”

Don’t spend too much time in mourning,

Tears are for the sad;

I left to be with Jesus,

And this should make you glad.

Don’t waster your time in grieving,

No need to feel distress

I was tired of life’s frustration

And had to get some rest.

Life here for me was ended.

It came my time to die.

Don’t lose the love I gave you.

Keep it in your care.

Grow it with devotion

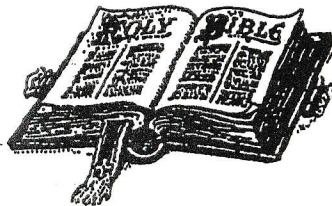
And spread it everywhere.

Don’t fret because my leaving

Came in such a way.

We’ll have another meeting

In God’s Eternal Day.



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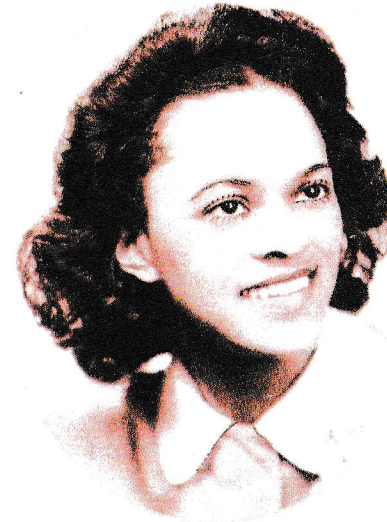
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Homegoing Celebration For Mrs. Laura Mason Booton



Thursday, August 30, 2007

1:30 P.M.

The A. S. Grier Memorial Chapel

115 John McCarroll Avenue

Charlotte, North Carolina

The Reverend Doctor Edward B. Newberry,
Officiating

~ The Order Of Service ~

PRELUDE Mr. Audwin Ross

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Dr. Edward B. Newberry, *Pastor*,
Memorial Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, N.C.

HYMN..... "How Great Thou Art"

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Bless us O God with a reverent sense of your presence. Help us to be at peace. In this hour, may we worship you with our heart, mind, and soul. We ask, O Lord, that here the doubting would find faith, the tempted find help, and the sorrowful find comfort. By your Holy Spirit, cause our worship to be offered in trust as we rely on your grace. We make our petitions for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whose Name we pray. **Amen.**

MUSICAL RESPONSE.....

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Eternal God, source of all wisdom, still all other voices but your own, that we may hear and obey what you tell us in your sacred Word. Help us to turn to you with believing hearts, so that hearing the promises of Scripture, we may have hope and be lifted above our grief through the power of your gracious Spirit. With faith we pray. **Amen.**

THE SCRIPTURES: **Old Testament: Psalm 23**
 New Testament: John 14: 1-6

WORDS OF COMFORT Rev. Dr. Edward B. Newberry

PRAYER FOR THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS

HYMN "God Of Our Life"

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL HYMN "Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah"

INTERMENT Elmwood Cemetery

Not Today

~ The Obituary ~

Mrs. Laura Mason Booton was born March 4, 1916 to the late Thomas Henry and Ophelia Thornton Mason in Halifax County, Virginia. She passed away on Monday, August 27, 2007, at her home.

Laura graduated from Lucy Addison High School in Roanoke, Virginia, then enrolled at Hampton Institute (University), graduating in 1940. Further study was done at New York University and N. C. A. & T. State University.

Mrs. Booton's early employment was at Jefferson High School in Charlottesville, Virginia and Bowie State Junior College in Bowie, Maryland.

In April 1946, she was married to Ray A. Booton and moved her residence to Charlotte, North Carolina for the remainder of her life.

Her employment was at Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System and Mechanics and Farmers Bank, from which she retired. She was very active in the community; she was a participating member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and the Moles, Inc.

She was preceded in death by: a sister, Lillian G. Dent; and a brother, Thomas E. Mason.

Those left to cherish memories of **Mrs. Laura Mason Booton** are: her husband, The Reverend Ray A. Booton; an adopted son, Carland S. Looper; a sister, Mrs. Mineola (Walter) M. Blount of Nyack, New York; nieces, Phyllis Jackson of Wynnewood, Pennsylvania, Joyce D. Sherman of Roanoke, Virginia, and Faith B. Thompson of Nyack, New York; nephews, Audrey O. Dent, M.D., of San Francisco, California, and Walter C. Blount, Jr. of Nyack, New Jersey; other relatives and friends.



~ Acknowledgements ~

The family extends its sincere thanks and appreciation for everyone's prayers and expressions of love and sympathy during this time of bereavement.

May God continue to bless each of you.