



Funeral Service  
for  
Mrs. Virginia Williams Stepteau



Saturday, July 8, 1995  
1:00 P.M.  
Greater Bethel A.M.E. Church  
Charlotte, North Carolina  
Dr. Conrad R. Bridgen, Officiating

## Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL ..... "When Peace Like A River"

HYMN NO. 4 ..... "All Hail The Power Of Jesus Name"  
Fellowship Choir of Charlotte

PRAYER

SCRIPTURES:

Old Testament—Psalm 121 ..... Rev. Barbara D. Crawford  
New Testament—I Corinthians 15:51-58 ..... Greater Bethel AME Church

SELECTION ..... "Unto Thee, O Lord"  
Milton Ryan, Soloist

TRIBUTES (two minutes, please)

Bro. Arthur Williams ..... Williams Memorial Church  
Bro. Leroy Blackwell ..... Steward Board  
Bro. Johnny Cannon ..... Church and Friend  
Sis. Albertha Prince ..... Sunday School  
Mrs. Carolyn Gibson ..... Alpha Phi Chi Sorority  
Mr. Daniel Harvin ..... N.C. Mutual Life Insurance Company

HYMN NO. 397 ..... "Come, Come Ye Saints"  
Fellowship Choir of Charlotte

EULOGY ..... Dr. Conrad K. Pridgen, Pastor

RECESSIONAL

INTERMENT ..... West Pinewood Cemetery



## Acknowledgements

*The Family of the late Virginia Williams Stepteau acknowledges with sincere appreciation the many comforting messages, floral tributes and other expressions of kindness evidenced at this time in thought and deed.*

## Obituary

### Life Eternal

*It is not peace, it is not happiness, it is not joy, but it is all these combined into one condition of spiritual perfection, one emotion of indescribable rapture, the peace after the storm has gone by. The soft repose after the grief is over, the joy of victory when the conflicted*

MRS. VIRGINIA WILLIAMS STEPTEAU, the daughter of the late David H. Williams and Helen Teague Williams McCullough, was born October 31, 1911 in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. She departed this life on Wednesday, July 5, 1995.

Virginia attended the city schools of Charlotte and was a graduate of Second Ward High School, class of 1928. She was also a graduate of Morris Brown College and Williams Business School in Atlanta, Georgia.

She was employed by the A.M.E. Zion Publishing House and was cashier and office manager with N.C. Mutual Life Insurance Company (Charlotte District) for forty-three years. She retired in 1977.

She was the co-founder of the McCorey Branch of the YMCA Business Education classes from 1953-1967. This accredited school was founded to educate young black women in the area of business administration.

She was a member of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg League of Business Women, Church Women United, the Salvation Army Auxiliary, and the Alpha Pi Chi Sorority. She was honored for "Outstanding Service to Humanity" by UNC Charlotte Women's Studies in 1985. She was the first Black Registrar appointed by the Mecklenburg County Election Board.

A life member of Greater Bethel A.M.E. Church, Virginia served in many capacities as a Sunday school teacher, pianist for the Sunday school and worship service, member of the Finance Committee, Steward Board, Women's Missionary Society, and was a founding member of the Williams Memorial Club.

She is survived by her nephew, Dwight Patterson and niece, Doris Simpson, both of Charlotte, North Carolina; a niece, Cardrienne Williams of Rutherford, New Jersey; a nephew, David Williams of San Bernadino, California; a devoted friend, Ward Young, Jr. and a host of other relatives and friends.