

*A Celebration of
The Life
Of*
**MRS. E. FAYE
HILL-HAIRSTON**



SATURDAY, JUNE 23, 2007
2 o'clock p.m.
First United Methodist Church
of Pilot Mountain
Pilot Mountain, North Carolina

*The Reverend Ervin Best
Officiating
Eulogy*

The Obituary

Ethel Faye Hill-Hairston, wife of the Reverend Robert Hairston, of 2806 Bridgeport Drive, Winston-Salem, NC 27103 departed this life June 18, 2007 at Forsyth Medical Center.

She was born to the late Carl (Bubba) and Christina Moore Hill on February 28, 1943. Both her primary and secondary education was received at J.J. Jones High School, Mount Airy, NC where she was privileged to have competent teachers, among which was an outstanding mentor and role model, Mr. Robert Taylor, her English teacher. He instilled in her and other classmates the importance of a good education, strength of character and the value of treating one's fellowman with respect.

So great was Robert Taylor's influence that Faye shaped her formal education in English literature after him. She received her B.A. degree from Saint Augustine's College in Raleigh, North Carolina. She later received her Masters degree in English and her certificate in Public School Administration from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, Greensboro, North Carolina. Later Faye received her Education Specialist degree from Appalachian State University, Boone, NC.

Faye's teaching career began in 1964 at Lincoln Heights High School. She taught at Wilkes Central High School from 1967 to 1989, at which time she joined the ranks of administration. She served as an Assistant Principal at North Wilkesboro Elementary School, Union Elementary School, CC Wright Elementary School, finally retired as the Principal at North Wilkesboro Elementary School in 2001, after thirty-seven years of service. Because of her passion for teaching she worked part-time at Lenoir-Rhyne College as Director of Field Experience and Clinical Practice, a job that brought her much joy as she supervised student teachers.

Faye was an effective and caring teacher and instrumental leader. Her passion for teaching and her love for her parents, students and teachers permeated throughout the school. She proudly shared how blessed she was to have had the opportunity to serve several generations of numerous families in Wilkes County.

As busy as Faye was, she found time to serve and to be involved in Community and Church affairs. She was a Methodist by faith and attended New London Progressive Primitive Baptist Church in Walnut Cove, NC, where her husband Robert pastors. Faye was a member of The National Education Association-Lifetime Member, Phi Delta Kappa, Tarheel Association of Principals/Assistant Principals, Delta Kappa Gamma, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Kappa Delta Pi. Faye served on the Board of Directors of Wilkes Vocational Workshop,



Wilkes County Department of Social Services, Wilkes County Library, and the Rainbow Center. Principal of the Year, Exemplary School Award – 1996-1999 (North Carolina Department of Public Instruction. Faye was recipient of The Key to the City (North Wilkesboro, NC), and was inducted into the Hall of Fame – J.J. Jones High School – April 2007.

Left to cherish her memories are her loving husband, Rev. Robert Hairston, two wonderful children from a previous marriage, Kimberly D. Erwin, Greensboro, NC and Keith Xavier-Hill Deveraux, North Wilkesboro, NC; her mother and father-in-law, Mr. Frank (Ollie) Hairston, Walnut Cove, NC; five accepting and respectful step children: the Reverend Gordon (Robin) Hairston, Walkertown, NC, Robert (Leslie) Hairston, Jr. Walkertown, NC, Mrs. Clara D. (Otis) Cox, Atlanta, GA, Ms. Elizabeth Hairston, Winston-Salem, NC and Mr. Samuel (Karen) Hairston, Kernersville, NC. Five sisters: Frances Spencer, and Virginia Hill of Pilot Mountain, NC, Gladys Perry of Dallas, Texas, Ora L. Hill, New York City and Castine Collins, Petersburg, VA; one brother, Paul Edward Hill, Winston-Salem, NC; one brother-in-law, Bobby (Mary) Carroll, Walnut Cove, NC; three sisters-in-law, Alice Hill, Pilot Mountain, NC, Doris Hill, Mount Airy, NC and Wanda C. Hairston, Walnut Cove, NC; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, Carl (Bubba) and Christina Moore Hill; three brothers, Allen (Buster) Hill, Vance Hill, Ennis Odell (E.O.) Hill; two sisters, Carlene Hill Ayers, Evelyn (Ebb) Hill, and a special nephew, Bobby Joe Hill.

I'm Doing Fine

Don't worry about me

family and friends, weeping and caring

I'm rejoicing with Angels and I'm doing fine

My body was getting tired and now it's resting.

so keep smiling about the blessing because,

I'm doing fine

*God saw my pain that I keep inside and whispered
with his soft voice*

"Come on home My child you're gonna be fine"

Everyday I made preparations because,

God was preparing me for the great Celebration.

I'm home in this beautiful place and I'm doing fine.

Remember me with The Big Smile,

unconditional love and a Heart of Gold.

*And if you order your steps and start living right
in God's eyes, one day you will all be doing fine.*

Order of Service

The Prelude

The Processional

Invocation

Bishop Tony O. Carter

The Holy Scriptures

Old Testament

Rev. Mike King

New Testament

Elder James Benton

Prayer of Comfort

Rev. Richard Lowery

Solo

Mildred East

The Obituary

Mary Crank

Resolutions

Charlotte Hairston

Solo

Jackie Chapman

Remarks

John Jessup

Charles Carter

Solo

Fran Collins

Eulogy

Rev. Ervin Best

Solo

Mildred East

Processional

The services will be concluded at Locust Grove Big Creek Cemetery Westfield, NC

Professional Services Directed by

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“Don’t Worry”

By Thomas Bapnett

Don’t worry about me, loved ones – About my sorrows nor my pains – There was a chariot sitting and waiting for me – It was marked in Jesus’ name – Don’t try to understand the reason it happened – It might entangle the mind – Believe that God is still in control – And my homegoing is divine – I know it’s hard to understand – How such a thing could be – Darkness sometimes can create a light – All of us need to see – Trust in God with all your heart – He will help you to make it through – Old things in your life will pass away – And all things He’ll make new.

The Family

Pall Bearers

Michael Collins	Oshea Hill
Jerome Hill	Greg Hill
Mark Spencer	Scotty Simmons
Johnny Hill	Dwayne Purdie
Antonio Blackly	

Honorary Pall Bearers

Brandon Hairston
Jaquan Searcy
Justin Hairston
P.J. Hairston
Otis Cox, Jr.

Flower Bearers

Secree Simmons	Nicole Ceaser
Ariana Purdie	Adrienne Spencer
Sue Siler	D’andree Washington
Arlene Collins	Renee Collins
Brenda Knight	Melody Blackly
Kysha Washington	Kaya Washington

Honorary Flower Bearers

Nikki Hairston
Brandy Hairston
Angelica Hairston
Tiffany Hairston
Christina Hairston
Brittany Cox

Thank You

*The loss of the one we held so dear.
It was to us a great comfort indeed,
To see you in the time of sorrow and need.
So from our hearts which you tried to help mend,
We thank you sincerely again and again
For being such wonderful friends.*

The Family of –
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