

Homegoing Celebration
for
Mrs. Ethel Marie Brown



SUNRISE
April 28, 1948
Wythe County

SUNSET
August 20, 2012
Forsyth County

Saturday, August 25, 2012
Two o'clock

Franklin Street United Methodist Church
Wytheville, Virginia

Pastor Elizabeth Allen Villinger
Bishop David Mitchell, *Officiating/Eulogist*

Interment
Oakwood Cemetery - Wytheville, Virginia

ORDER OF SERVICE

Earth's Final Glimpse (People Standing)	1:00 until 2:00
A & B Musical Selection	Wings of Faith
Scripture	Old Testament Bobby Penn
	New Testament Elder Phillip Maxwell
Prayer of Comfort	Elder Eyvonne Spencer
Solo	Elder Darlene Mitchell
Obituary	(Read Silently)
Acknowledgements	Karen Jones
Solo	Melody Tredway
Eulogy	Bishop David Mitchell
Family Viewing only	
Recessional (People Standing)	
Committal/Benediction	Bishop David Mitchell
Interment	Oakwood Cemetery
	Wytheville, Virginia
Final Flight	Spencer Funeral Home Staff

FLOWER BEARERS

Pricilla Taylor	Libby Taylor
Nancy Crockett	Barbara Thompson
Mary Lee	Sandy Baron
Deborah Taylor	

CASKET BEARERS

Sunny Zimmerman	Chris Johnson
Charlie Carter	Paul Rawley
Lewis French	Michael Johnson
Norman Lee	

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THE OBITUARY

Ms. Ethel Marie Brown 64, of 126 McMillan Lane, Mount Airy, NC and formally of Wytheville, VA. She was called home on Monday evening August 20, 2012 at Forsyth Medical Center, Winston-Salem, NC. She was born in Wythe County April 28, 1948 to James and Kataleen Johnson Braxton. Marie was a loving Military wife. She was a student at Scott Memorial and also attended Connieuit Ohio High School and a graduate of Job Core in Charleston, West Virginia. Marie never meet a stranger, she would greet you with a smile and always had something funny to say to everyone. Anyone that knew Marie knows birds was not friend. She will be forever missed by her children, family and friends.

She is survived by her mother Kataleen Johnson three daughters Gloria Braxton and Juanita Braxton both of Wytheville, VA, Teresa Davis (Ernest) of Charlotte, NC, five grandchildren Latia Braxton, Denesha Braxton, Duchen Braxton, Sierra Davis and Ernest Davis, two great-grandchildren, Xavion Braxton and Jesiah Braxton, God-Son, Andre Lee, four sisters Janet Maxwell (Elder Phillip) of Wytheville, VA, Cora E. Kindell of Wytheville, VA, Kathleen Penn (Bobby) of Martinsville, VA, Claudia Perry, Wytheville, VA, two brothers Rudy Johnson (Yvonne) Wytheville, VA, William Braxton (Deborah) Columbus, OH. a special friend Tommie Thompson of Mount Airy, NC. With a host of nieces, nephew and other relatives and many friends. She was preceded in death by her husband Thomas Brown; father James R. Braxton, two brothers William E. Johnson, and Claude Perry Jr.

When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

When Tomorrow Starts Without Me and I'm not here to see,
If the sun should rise and find your eyes all filled with tears for me.

I wish so much you wouldn't cry, the way you did today,
while thinking of the many things we didn't get to say.

I know how much you love me, as much as I love you,
and each time that you think of me, I'll know you miss me too.

But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand,
that an angel came and called my name and took me by the hand.

And said my place was ready in heaven far above,
and that I'd have to leave behind all those I dearly love.

But as I turned to walk away, a tear fell from my eye,
for all my life I always thought I didn't want to die.

I had so much to live for and so much to do,
it seemed almost impossible that I was leaving you.

I thought of all the yesterdays, the good ones and the bad,
I thought of all the love we shared and all the fun we had.

If I could relive yesterday, I thought for just a while,
I'd say good bye and kiss you and maybe see a smile.

But then I fully realized that this could never be,
for emptiness and memories would take the place of me.

So when tomorrow starts without me,
don't think we're far apart;

For every time you think of me—

I'm right here — IN YOUR HEART.



Thank You

*Life brings tears, smiles and memories:
the tears dry, the smile fades,
but the memories live on forever.*

*Thank you sincerely for sharing our sorrow.
Your thoughtfulness is appreciated and
will always be remembered.*

The Family of

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