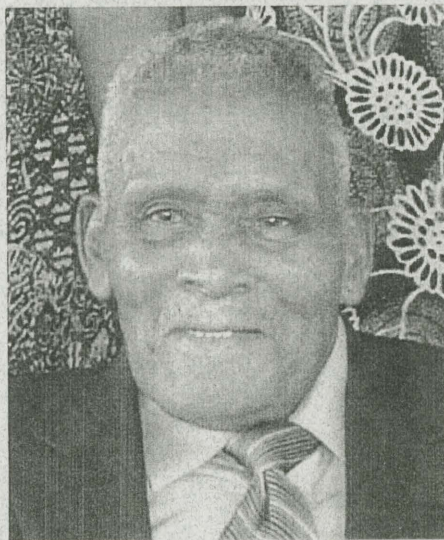


A Service of Love and Memory
for
Mr. Arthur Wilson (Pops) Carter, Sr.



SUNRISE

September 11, 1919
Ararat, Virginia

SUNSET

February 14, 2009
Mount Airy, NC

Thursday, February 19, 2009
Two o'clock

Clark's Creek Progressive Primitive
Baptist Church
Squirrel Creek Road
Ararat, Virginia

Reverend Ashley Jones, *Officiating*
Reverend Michael King, *Eulogist*

Interment
Clark's Creek Progressive Primitive
Baptist Church Cemetery
Ararat, Virginia

ORDER OF SERVICE

Earth's Final Glimpse	one until two o'clock	
Invocation	Bishop Tony Carter	
Selection	Payne's Chapel Gospel Choir	
Words of Comfort	Minister Shawn Hairston	
Scripture	Old Testament	Guest Minister
	New Testament	Reverend Dexter Brown
Solo		Bernetta Simmons
Obituary/Acknowledgements		Sister Anise Hickman
Solo		Anthonya Patterson
Family Reflections	Ellen Carter (daughter-in-law)	
Solo		Leon Shuff
Eulogy	Reverend Michael King	
Selection	Payne's Chapel Gospel Choir	
Recessional		
Committal/Benediction	Reverend Michael King	
Interment	Clark's Creek Church Cemetery	
	Ararat, Virginia	
The Final Flight	Spencer Funeral Home Staff	

To some he may forgotten to others just a part of the past. But to those whose loved and lost him. His memory will forever last.

FLOWER BEARERS

Darene Banner	Faye Carter
Rayland Carter	Mildred Hylton
Shirley Joseph	Robin Moore
Alma Pilson	Delores Smith
Hattie Strickland	Maggie Hatcher

CASKET BEARERS (Grandsons)

Arthur Carter III	Melvin Carter
Charles Rawley	Michael Howard
Richard Howard	Craig Sheff

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

Leroy Carter	Agree Carter
Ransom Carter	Donald Carter
Richard Carter	James Strickland
Clarence Siler	Tommy Thompson

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THE OBITUARY

On February 14, 2009 Arthur Wilson Carter Sr. made the transition from this earth into the arms of his heavenly father. Mr. Carter was a well known, much loved and admired and respected figure in the Ararat, Stuart and Mount Airy communities. Mr. Carter was born September 11, 1919 to the late Lester and Sally Hatcher Carter. He was educated in the Patrick County School System.

Quiet, humble and gentle in manner he was a friend to everyone. He helped build the 104 Road. Known by many in the communities of Patrick County, where he lived his entire life as 'Hat', Mr. Carter worked tirelessly as a farmer, when he was awarded the title of "Farmer of the Year" by the Patrick Soil and Water Conservation District on October 8, 1992. Though his steps slowed, his spirit never did and prior to his death he rested his mind, body and soul, was baptized and gave his life to God.

He was united in marriage on March 6, 1937 to Lillie Virginia Carter until her death and to this union eleven children were born, Glenda (Anthony) Clark of Wingate, NC; Claristine (Richard) Howard of Bronx, NY; Rosa (Elliott) Zimmerman of Mount Airy, NC; Sherman Carter of Ararat, VA; Haywood (Josephine) Carter of Mount Airy, NC; James (Ellen) Carter of Winston Salem, NC; Larry (Helen) Carter of Elkin, NC; forty grandchildren; eighty great-grandchildren; four great-great grandchildren; two sisters Rowena Hairston of Ararat, VA; Ellen Hylton of Stuart, VA; two aunts Leonora Carter and Thelma Carter both of Ararat, VA; one uncle Clinton Carter of Mount Airy, NC; three sisters-in-law Lillie Mae Carter of Pittsburgh, PA; Sheri Carter of Martinsville, VA; Wilma Carter of Stuart, VA, his loving companion Alice Martin and he shared a special bond with Darren Banner both of Mount Airy, NC. A host of nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his wife Lillie Virginia Carter, two sons Nelson Carter and Arthur Carter Jr.; two daughters Mary Lynn Smith and Sandra Carter; two sisters Lucille Smith and Elizabeth Smith; six brothers Robert, Floyd, Anderson, Roosevelt, Joseph, Thomas Carter.

I have fought a good fight. I have finished my course. I have kept the faith.

Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness

Which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day:

And not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

2 Timothy 4:7-8

TO THOSE I LOVE AND THOSE WHO LOVED ME

*When I am gone, release me, let me go-
I have so many things to see and do
You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears
Be happy that we had so many years.
I gave to you my love, You can only guess
How much you gave to me in happiness*

*I thank you for the love you each have shown
But now it is time I traveled alone
So grieve a while for me grieve you must
Theb let your grief be comforted by trust
It is only for a while that we must part
So bless the memories within your heart,*

*I won't be far away, for life goes on.
So if you need me, call and I will come.
Though you can't see me or touch me, I'll be near
And if you listen you'll hear,
All of my love around you soft and clear.
And then, when you must come this way alone,
I'll greet you with a smile and say "Welcome Home."*



Acknowledgements

*The family extends its deepest and sincerest appreciation
To each of you for all acts of kindness you have shown
during the illness and demise of our loved
one . . .*

May GOD richly bless you today and everyday.

***The Family of –
Mr. Arthur Wilson Carter
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