

Celebration of Life
for
Ms. Fostenia Jacqueline Hairston
- SUNRISE - - SUNSET -
June 8, 1937 December 15, 2011



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.

II Timothy 4: 7-8

Thursday, December 22, 2011
12:00 Noon

St. Johns Chapel P. B. Church
8833 Moores Chapel Road
Charlotte, North Carolina

Elder Timothy Lyons, *Pastor/Eulogist*

ORDER OF SERVICE

*Presiding Rev. Melvin Davis of
Alive for Christ Ministries*

Earth's Final	11:00 am - 12 Noon
Selection	<i>"It is Well"</i> Alive for Christ Ministries & St. Johns Chapel PB Church Choir
Scripture	Old Testament Rev. Artis H. Smith Psalm 90: 1-10 New Testament Rev. Thelma Gordon II Timothy 4: 6-8
Prayer of Comfort	Rev. Clifton Griffa
Solo	<i>"I Give Myself Away"</i> Princela Lyons Porter - Granddaughter
Acknowledgements & Obituary (Cards, Telegrams)	Ms. Delores Harrison
Remarks	Dr. T.W. Samuels - Former Pastor
Selection	Alive for Christ Ministries
Family Reflections	Designated Family Members
Solo	
Eulogy	Elder Timothy Lyons - Son
Recessional	
Interment	Gethsemane Memorial Gardens Charlotte, North Carolina

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THE OBITUARY

Mother Fostenia Jacqueline Hairston was born, June 8, 1937 to the late Richard L. Hairston and Bessie Lee Hooper Hairston. She was the fourth of seven girls. Catherine Jackson, (preceded her in death), Dorothy Hairston, (preceded her in death), and Shirley Bohannon, (Winston-Salem, NC), Ophelia Abney (Charlotte, NC), Gwendolyn Lawrence, (Southfield, MI) and Reverend Artis Smith, (Winston-Salem, NC).

She accepted Christ at an early age at New Bethel Baptist Church in Winston-Salem, NC, where she was baptized by the Rev. Jerry Drayton.

She was a graduate of Atkins High School, class of 1956; was employed at Brown and Williamson Tobacco Company, in Winston-Salem, NC. She moved to New York City in 1973, where she lived for over 25 years. She also worked at Madison Detective Bureau in New York City.

She returned to Charlotte, NC in 1998 and joined Mt. Moriah Primitive Baptist Church where she was an active member. Later she moved her membership to Alive for Christ Ministries, a Mother of Church where she continued her work for the Lord.

She married Bernard Lyons, Sr. (preceded her in death). Through their union she was a loving and devoted mother of five children, Elder Timothy Lyons, (Donnetta), Charlotte, NC, Karen Lyons Worthy, (Nathaniel Sr.), Concord, NC, Bernard Lyons, Jr. (The Bronx, NY), Weldon Lyons, (Asheboro, NC) and Tonya Hunt, (Charlotte, NC). She also leaves to cherish her 14 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren, one god son and a Loving Dog, "*Ms. Oatmeal*."

She also leaves a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews and friends.

FLORAL BEARERS

Nieces



HONORARY FLORAL BEARERS

Delores Harrison

Shirley Blakley

Fran Griffa

Edna Gabriel

Frelen Bellany

PALLBEARERS

Nephews



I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.*

*I took His hand when I heard Him call,
I turned my back and left it all.*

*My life's been full, I've savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.*

*Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.*

*Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

~The Family~

Acknowledgement

*The family would like to say thanks for all the kindness, love,
prayers and support that was shown during our time of
bereavement.*

The Family