I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free, I'm following the path God has laid you see. I took His hand when I heard Him call, I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day.

To laugh, to love, to work or play.

Tasks left undone must stay that way.

I found that peace at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered joys. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh yes, these things I, too, will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow; I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much, Good friends, good times, A loved one's touch.

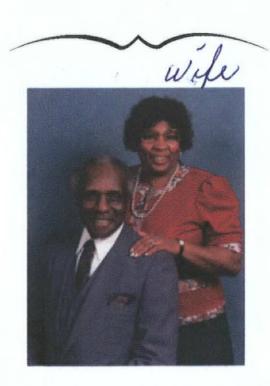
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief.

Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.

Lift up your hearts and peace to thee.

God wanted me now; He set me free.

~ Author Unknown



Floral Bearers

Order of the Eastern Star

Pall Bearers
Masons

Honorary Pall Bearers
White Rock Deacons and Trustees

Acknowledgment

The flowers you sent today, the cards you sent, the services you stopped to render, the delicious repast you brought provided warmth and strength. Your loving words of God and your love lessened our troubled hearts like a glove. The prayers you prayed played a part in easing the pain in our hearts, each helped us to find strength to bear our loss of one we held so dear. It was indeed great comfort to see you in our time of need. So from our hearts which you have tried to mend, we thank you sincerely again and again for being such truly wonderful friends. ~ The Family



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A Worship Celebration For the Life of Deacon Guss Alston

Sunrise Sunset April 13, 1933 - May 31, 2003



Services

White Rock United Holy Church White Rock Road Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Thursday, June 5, 2003 1:00 PM

Elder David Henderson, Officiating

Obituary

There is a time for everything and a season for every activity under the heaven.

Deacon Guss Alston was born April 13, 1933 in Chatham County to the late Mr. Roscoe and Mrs. Maude Alston. He departed this life Saturday morning, May 31, 2003 at UNC Hospitals, Chapel Hill, NC, following a briefillness.

He was united in marriage to Thelma Atwater. He joined White Rock United Holy Church at an early age and remained a loyal and faithful member working in whatever capacity that needed to be done. For many years, he served as a deacon at the church, under the pastorship of Dr. Robert A. Siler. Deacon Alston was appointed chairman of the Deacon Board where he served untiring, until God called him from labor to reward. Deacon Alston worked in all areas of the church. He was a devoted and dedicated member of the Male chorus.

He was also a member of Interprise Lodge #146 of Farrington, NC.

He attended school in the Chatham County school system. He was employed by the Town of Chapel Hill, NC, until his retirement. After retiring, the Lord blessed him to go into the trucking business that was a great success for him.

His survivors include his loving wife of 43 years, Mrs. Thelma Atwater Alston of the home; his son, Mr. Keith Alston of Chapel Hill, NC; a devoted and loving, kind special friend, Ms. Felicia Tilles of Carrboro, NC; a Goddaughter, Ms. Shelia



A. Munn (Elvin) of Siler City, NC; a granddaughter, Miss Keyeana Alston of Raleigh, NC; a grandson, Mr. Keith A. Alston of Farrington, NC; two sisters, Ms. Flossie Alston of Chapel Hill, NC, Ms. Margie French of Siler City, NC; four brothers, Mr. Roger and Roscoe Alston Jr. of Chapel Hill, NC, Mr.

Andrew Alston of Durham, NC, Mr. Talbert Alston (Jean) of Chapel Hill, NC; two sisters-inlaw, Rev. Adel Paisaint (Raymond) Chapel Hill, NC, Ms. Geraldine A. Tay of Upper Marlboro, MD; three aunts, Ms. Cora Stamp of Pittsboro,



Grand Child

NC, Ms. Dorothy Martin of Goldston, NC, Ms. Luby Haggans of New York; two uncles, Mr. Lee Goldston of Asheboro, NC, and Mr. Jim Goldston of Pittsboro, NC; a lifetime friend, Mr. Ray Williams of Chapel Hill, NC; eleven nieces, four-

teen nephews, and a host of cousins and friends.

Order of Service

Presiding

Elder Eula Coleman

Prelude

Minister Witcher

Processional

Hymn of Praise

Scriptures

Old Testament New Testament

Elder John Brown Elder Charlie Thompson

Prayer of Comfort

Bishop Elroy Lewis

Selection

Male Chorus

Remarks

(Limit two minutes please)

Condolences

Minister Rhonda Kelley

Solo

Sister Sarah Harrington

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Elder David Hendeson

Selection

Male Chorus

Funeral Director

The Preached Word

Recessional



Interment

Chapel Hill Memorial Cemetery Hwy 15-501 Bypass Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Drivers in the procession, please turn on headlights and blinkers for safety.