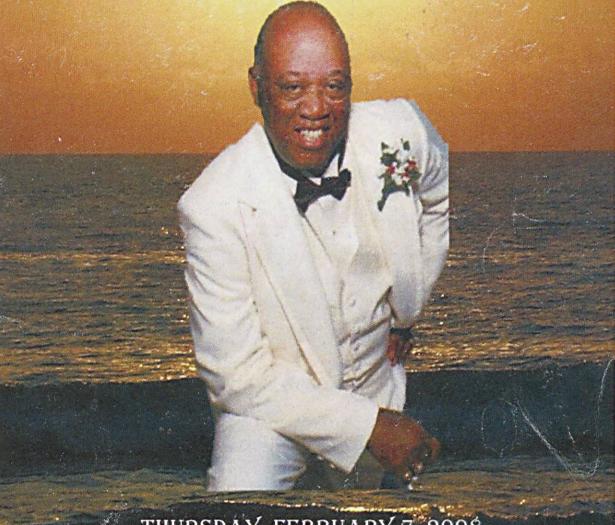
A CELEBRATION OF LIFE AND HOMEGOING SERVICES FOR

MR. ERNEST KELLY

Sunrise June 23, 1941 Sunset February 4, 2008



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2008
7:00 PM
KNOTTS FUNERAL CHAPEL
50 MASONIC STREET
PITTSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA 27312

Reverend Charles Chalmers, Eulogist Reverend Debbie Lee, Officiating

ORDER OF SERVICE

Musical Prelude----- Ellis Brooks Processional Selection----- "Blessed Assurance" Scripture Reading: Old Testament New Testament ----- Rev. Debbie Lee Prayer of Comfort ----- Rev. Eva Lee Remarks (Please limit to 2 minutes) Acknowledgements----- Mrs. Wilma Melville Obituary (Read Silently) Solo ----- "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)" Eulogy ----- Rev. Charles Chalmers Recessional ----- "I Want Jesus To Walk With Me"

COMMITTAL AND INTERMENT

Friday, February 8, 2008 10:00 a.m. Seymour Cemetery Moncure, North Carolina

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 His 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 the 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...

You Must Believe

You Must Have Faith

and You Must Trust

And Leave it in the hands of

Our Lord Jesus Christ and Savior



Love Pat

OBITUARY

God saw the road had gotten rough with hills too hard to climb He gently closed his eyes and said Peace be Thine

Mr. Ernest Kelly was born on June 23, 1941 to the late Mr. & Mrs. Kelly. He departed this life February 4, 2008 at the Laurels of Chatham, in Pittsboro, North Carolina.

He was a 1962 graduate of J.W. Ligon High School in Raleigh, North Carolina. After graduation Ernest remained in the area, working at several jobs before going to work for the upscale Angus Barn restaurant in Raleigh, North Carolina. He began as a dishwasher and worked himself up to Assistant Chef. He became an entrepreneur, launching several businesses along the way. But his love for cooking led him to become the owner of several restaurants. This earned him many honors and awards in the restaurant industry. He even created his own barbeque sauce, that was famously known as "Big K" Tongue Lapping, Lip Smacking barbeque sauce. Ernest worked for Delta Airlines for 25 years where he retired as a Cargo Supervisor. After his retirement he and his wife Pat operated a catering and a transportation business, until his health took an unfortunate turn.

Ernest was a member of St. Matthews A.M.E. Church, in Raleigh, North Carolina.

He was joined in holy matrimony to Patricia Eaves on June 23, 2001.

He leaves to cherish his memories his devoted, loving, and caring wife, Patricia Eaves Kelly of the home; three sons, Ernest Kelly, Jr. of Indianapolis, IN; Nigel Kelly and Jamal Kelly of Raleigh, North Carolina; three daughters, Michele Kelly and Melanee Kelly also of Raleigh, North Carolina and Audra Kelly-Allen (Al) of Laurel, Maryland; eight grandchildren, three great-grandchildren; one brother, Irvin Kelly; one sister, Alberta Dendy, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Floral bearers and Pallbearers

Friends of the Family

Acknowledgements

The Kelly family wish to acknowledge with sincere appreciation, the many acts of kindness and love shown to us during the loss of our beloved, Ernest Kelly

May God forever bless you all



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