A Service of Rememberence
For

Mr. Roscoe DeGraffenreidt

Sunrise:
October 21, 1916

Sunset:
July 2, 2009

Wednesday, July 8, 2009 - 2:00 pm

Knotts Funeral Home

50 Masonic Street
Pittsboro, North Carolina 27312

Reverend Kenneth Swann, Officiating

Order of Service

Processional ..... Minister & Family

Hymn of Assurance ..... Evans Chapel Choir

"Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine"

Words of Comfort:

OLD TESTAMENT ..... Psalm 90

NEW TESTAMENT ..... John 14: 1-7

Prayer of Consolation ..... Rev. John Gooch

Musical Selection ..... Evans Chapel Choir

Acknowledgements ..... Mr. Dewitt Alston

Remarks (2 min. please)

The Memorial Reflections (Read Silently)

Musical Selection ..... Evans Chapel Choir

Eulogy ..... Reverend Kenneth L. Swann
Pastor, Evans Chapel AME Zion Church
Siler City, North Carolina

Song of Victory ..... Evans Chapel Choir

Recessional

Interment

Evans Chapel AME Zion Church Cemetery
Siler City, North Carolina

Thank You

Even though we did not spend our earlier life together, I am thankful for the time during the last few years together. Thank you for your love, kindness, sharing, laughter to my family and I. We cherish the stories of your earlier life. We will always remember and love you!

~Your daughter and family

A Tribute To My Father

You were honest,
hard-working
and warm hearted.
You were not judgmental
of most people
(except George Bush.)
You were amazed at
how far black people
had progressed since
you were a child.
You will truly be missed and
I'll always love you.

~Your Son,
Barry

Obituary

Mr. Roscoe Degraffenreidt was born in Chatham County on October 21, 1916 to the union of Turner & Lilla DeGraffenreidt (Pittsboro, NC). On Thursday, July 2, 2009 he was called home.

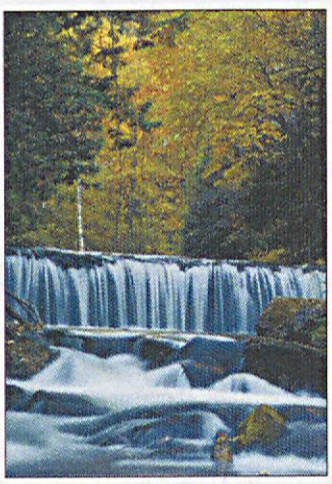
He received his education within Lee & Chatham county school districts. He resided in North Carolina until moving to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1951. He was employed as a tanner and at Frances Denny Cosmetic Company in Philadelphia. He was later employed at Oak Lane Presbyterian Church as a custodian where he was an honorary member until 2000. Upon leaving Oak Lane Presbyterian Church, he was honored with a dinner and described as being devoted, faithful, unselfish, thoughtful, trustworthy, caring, and humble.

He loved being outdoors which included fishing, gardening, and the game of baseball. He resided in Philadelphia, PA until moving to Sugarland, Texas in 2000. Roscoe then returned to Sanford, NC in May of 2009.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his wife Betty; two sons, Barry DeGraffenreidt (Myrna) of Sugarland, TX, and Ulysses Wright (Cassandra) of Houston, TX; two daughters, Lucille DeGraffenreidt of Sanford, NC, and Dianne Jacobs (Robert) of Philadelphia, PA; grandchildren, Renee (Chris) Eaves, Leon (Arcacia), Jason (Erricca) DeGraffenreidt, Sade, Eric, Rasheeda, Saana, Trae, Derrick, Darian, Dyonne, and Deneice. Two sisters, Ada Pratt of Pittsboro, NC, and Constance DeGraffenreidt of Inglewood, CA; and a host of great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Floral Bearers & Pall Bearers

Friends of the Family



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the many expressions of love,
concern and kindness
shown to them during
this hour of bereavement.
May God Bless and Keep You!

THE FAMILY

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