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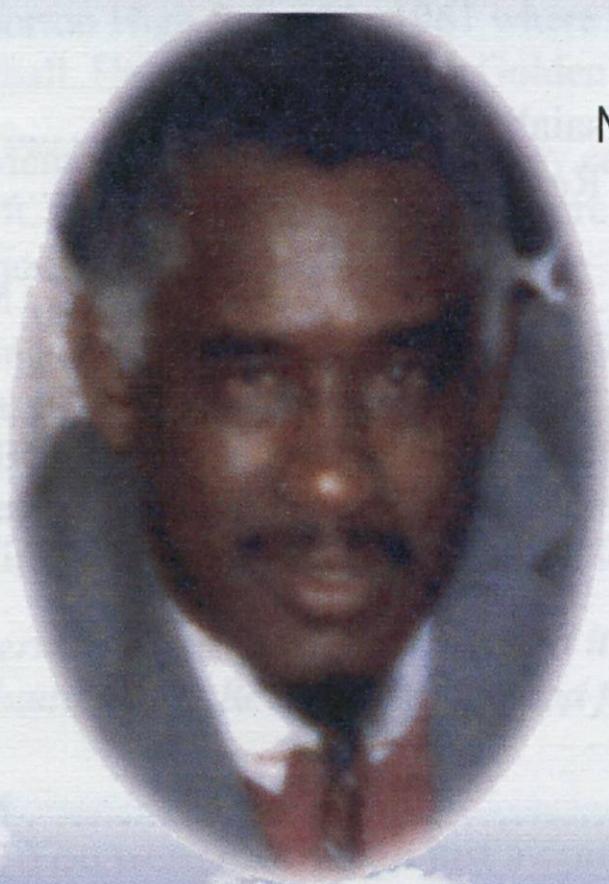
Mr. Joseph Cleveland Stone

Sunrise

March 29, 1943

Sunset

November 15, 2005



*And there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying, nor pain:
For the former things are passed away. ~ Revelations 21:4*

Saturday, November 19, 2005

11:00 am

Mt. Sinai AAE Church
Pittsboro, North Carolina

Rev. R. P. Lynch, Pastor



Memorial Service
For
Joseph Cleveland Stone

Saturday, November 19, 2005

Processional Pianist

Hymn "What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

Prayer Rev. Frinco Reaves

Scripture

Old Testament ~ Isaiah 40: 21-21 Rev. Albert Williams

New Testament ~ Revelations 21: 1-4 Rev. Robert Bland

Selection Mr. Sinai Senior Choir
"Hold Out"

Acknowledgments Karla Eanes

Solo Henry Hadley
"I Won't Complain"

Message Rev. R. Phillip Lynch

Recessional Mr. Sinai Senior Choir

Interment Pittsboro Cemetery



Obituary

Quiet and respectful, yet determined and strong - - Joseph Cleveland Stone showed us these qualities. His quiet, respectful nature was an indicator of his upbringing; his determination and strength of his character and ability to deal with the challenges of life, particularly his illness.

Joe, the oldest child of the late Thomas Stone "Little Tommy" and Mary Yarborough Stone was born March 29, 1943. On the evening of November 15, 2005, Joe peacefully left this earthly life.

Joe graduated from Horton High School in 1961 where he excelled as an athlete in basketball and football. He was employed by Golden Poultry for many years.

Joe joined Staunton Memorial CME Church at a very early age. Recently he frequently attended Mt. Sinai AME Zion Church where he often traveled with the choirs to their various engagements.

He leaves to cherish many memories: his wife, Brigal Stone; two daughters, LaToya and Veronica; two grandson, Malik and Jamir. He will also be truly missed by his sister, Bettie Watson (Victor) and brother, Frankie Stone (Mildretta); two nieces, Kenya and Britteny; a very dear and devoted friend, Frank Henry Alston; in addition to a host of aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Quiet, respectful, determined and strong he lived and it was these characteristics he demonstrated until death. Be at peace, Joe and farewell.

You were more than just a cousin
You were more than just a friend
You were more like a brother, until the very end,
The passing of a loved one
Often leaves us wondering why
Our hearts are filled with aches and pains
Our eyes are filled with cries.
In times of loss and sorrow
When hearts are dark with pain
We find a source of light within
To make life bright again.

Love, Shirley Paige

Floral Bearers & Pall Bearers

Family and Friends

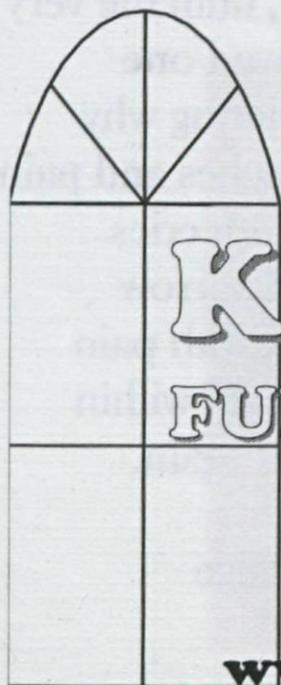
When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

*When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not there to see,
If the sun should rise and find your eyes all filled with tears for me.
I wish so much you wouldn't cry the way you did today,
While thinking of the many things we didn't get to say.*

*I know how much you loved me as much as I loved you.
And each time you think of me, I know you'll miss me too.
But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand,
That an angel came and called my name, and took me by the hand.
And said my place was ready in heaven far above,
And that I'd have to leave behind and those I dearly loved.
But as I turned to walk away, a tear fell from my eye.
For all my life, I'd always thought, I didn't want to die.
I had so much to live for, so much yet to do.
It seemed almost impossible that I was leaving you.
I thought of all the yesterdays, the good ones and the bad.
I thought of all the loved we shared, all the fun we had.*

Acknowledgement

The family wished to express their sincere gratitude to their many friends and neighbors for the kindness and expressions of sympathy shown during the illness and passing of their loved one.



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