

Homegoing Celebration
of
Mr. Curtis "Hammer" Gattis

Sunrise
September 22, 1922

Sunset
February 24, 2004



Services

Hamlet Chapel CME Church
2855 Hamlet Chapel Road
Pittsboro, North Carolina

Saturday, February 28, 2004
2:00 PM

Reverend James N. Howard, Pastor, Officiating

Obituary

Mr. Curtis "Hammer" Gattis was born in Chatham County to Ola and the late Thomas Gattis on September 22, 1922. He entered God's House on Tuesday, February 24, 2004.

He attended Chatham County schools. Soon after, he joined the United States Army, where he served three years. After returning home, he married Cecelia Satterfield Gattis on February 17, 1953. To this union seven children were born, two of whom preceded him in death, Robert Anthony Gattis and Linda Marie Gattis. His wife also preceded him in death.

He was a loving husband, thoughtful and kind brother, a devoted father and grandfather, and a special friend to all who knew him.

Curtis joined Hamlet Chapel at an early age where he remained until his health declined.

He leaves to cherish his memories: five daughters: Cynthia Ruffin, Kay Gattis and Anna Gattis, all of Chapel Hill, NC, Francis Baldwin of Durham, NC, and Rosie Love of Mebane, NC; three sons: Curtis Baldwin (Ann) of Greensboro, NC, Clyde Gattis of Chapel Hill and Jerome Gattis (Nina) of Fayetteville, NC; two sisters: Mary Farrington of Chapel Hill, NC, Mildred Alston of Pittsboro, NC; two brothers: Tucker Gattis of Pittsboro, NC and Rufus Gattis of Chapel Hill, NC; seventeen grandchildren, twenty-six great-grandchildren; one aunt, Georgia Stone of Saxapahaw, NC; one brother-in-law; several nieces, nephews and a host of other relatives and friends.



When I Must Leave You

*When I must leave you for a little while,
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears,
And hug your sorrow to you through the years.
But start out bravely with a gallant smile,
And for my sake, and in my name,
Live on and do all things the same.
Feed not your loneliness on empty days,
But fill each waking hour in useful ways
Reach out your hand in comfort and cheer,
And I, in turn, will comfort you and hold you near,
And never, never, be afraid to die.*

~ The Family

Order of Service

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL Clergy and Family

PRAYER OF COMFORT Dr. J. R. Manley

SCRIPTURES Dr. J. R. Manley

Old Testament *Psalm 23*

New Testament *I Corinthians 15: 51-58*

SOLO Rev. Robin McMillan

REMARKS (*Please limit to two minutes*) Family and Friends

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

OBITUARY (*Please read silently with soft music*)

SELECTION Hamlet Chapel Church Choir

EULOGY Reverend James N. Howard

FUNERAL DIRECTOR

RECESSIONAL

POSTLUDE

~ Interment ~



*Interment in Chapel Hill Memorial Cemetery
US 15-501 Bypass North
Chapel Hill, North Carolina*

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



Together Again

Floral Bearers

Missionaries of Hamlet Chapel

Pall Bearers

Curtis Lee Fearington

Howard Degraffenreid

Wesley Andrews

Deleon Bynum

Nathaniel Hairston

Garland King

Acknowledgment

*The family wishes to thank our family and friends for
their many acts of kindness during the illness and
homegoing of our loved one.*

~ The Family



**Services Entrusted to:
Jones Funeral Home, Inc.**

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