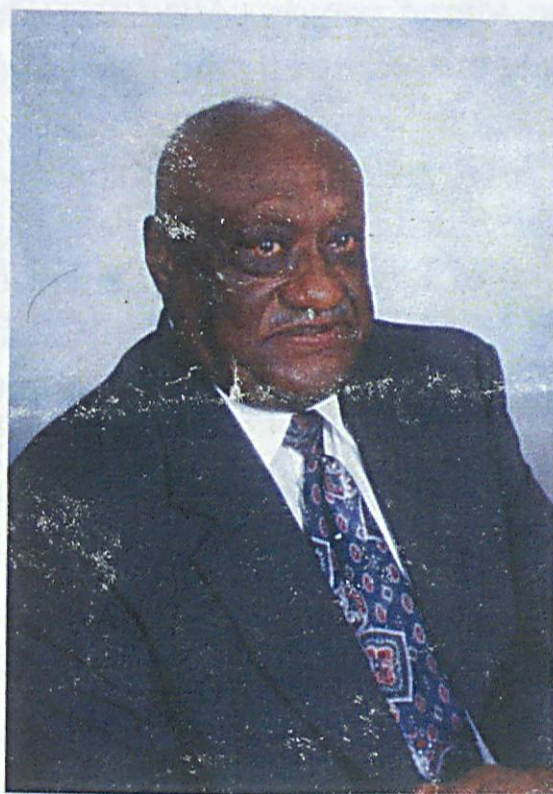


In Loving Memory
Of
Mr. Matthew "Buster" Horton

Sunrise
July 16, 1922

Sunset
January 09, 2007



SERVICE:
SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, 2007
Visitation: 1:30P.M. ~ Service: 2:00P.M.
RUSSELL CHAPEL A.M.E. ZION CHURCH
PITTSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

REV. SYLVIA DEGRAFFENREIDT, PASTOR
Officiating

~ The Obituary ~

MATTHEW "BUSTER" HORTON was born July 16, 1922 in Chatham County, North Carolina to George and Carrie Horton. After an extended illness, he entered into eternal rest on Tuesday, January 9, 2007 at UNC Hospital in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

He joined Russell Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church at an early age. He was employed by Frank Goodwin's Dairy Farm where he worked for a number of years. He was later employed with the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill, North Carolina where he retired. In celebration of his home-going, we shall remember him as a kind, compassionate and fun loving person. His heart was as big as his smile. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

He leaves to cherish loving memories: his son, William Horton; grand-daughter, Melissa Shanta Horton of Apex, N.C.; two sisters: Frances Taylor (Eugene) of Pittsboro, N.C., Doris Cotton of Chapel Hill, N.C.; two brothers: Joseph Horton (Ellen) and Walter Horton (Dorothy) of Chapel Hill, N.C.; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

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### *"It's Time For Me To Go"*

The time has come for me to say goodbye,  
So please be brave and please don't cry.

I will miss you this is true, just remember I will always love you.  
So please don't worry about me, for now my spirit can be free.

This is just the way God intended it to be.  
I hope you don't forget this, so listen carefully.

There is something I need to say.

Whenever you are feeling lonely, or even a little blue,  
Just think of me, and that will help you through.

There is nothing that I want, nor nothing that I need.  
If ever you feel my presence, it's because I'm really there,  
Sitting on your shoulder, and watching you with care.

It's time for me to leave, I really hate to go,  
But there's an angel here and he says...It's time to go.

*"The Family"*



*~ The Order of Service ~*

Reverend Sylvia Degraffenreidt, Officiating

PROCESSIONAL

FAMILY VISITATION

HYMN of PRAISE . . . . . Choir

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Old Testament . . Psalm 23

New Testament . . 1st Corinthians 13:4-13

PRAYER of COMFORT

SOLO . . . . . Brother Clifton Scurlock

TRIBUTES

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS & RESOLUTIONS:

Sister Gladys Alston

OBITUARY (Read Silently/with Soft Music)

SOLO . . . . . Brother Clifton Scurlock

REMARKS . . . . . Sister Gladys Alston

SOLO . . . . . Sister Brenda Hughes

EULOGY . . . REV. SYLVIA DEGRAFFENREIDT

PASTOR, Russell Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church

Pittsboro, North Carolina

SELECTION . . . . . Choir

FUNERAL DIRECTOR in Charge

RECESSIONAL

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**Interment**

*Russell Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church Cemetery*

*Pittsboro, North Carolina*



## *Floral Bearers*

Gladys Alston  
Valencia Bratton  
Joan Dark  
Jackie Parker

Simone Gray  
Sophie Lynn  
Linda Stewart  
Alea Taylor

## *Pall Bearers*

Billie Jo Alston  
Paul Lee

Charles Lee  
William Lee

## *Acknowledgements*

The Family acknowledges with deep and sincere appreciation the friendship, concern and love shown to us during this period of bereavement.

May God continue to  
keep you in His tender loving care.

*"The Family"*

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