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Pall Bearers

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Missionaries Faithful Redeemed Bible Class

There's A Reason

For every cross we have to bear, For every heartache, every care, For disappointments that come our way, There's a reason.

For every teardrop that we shed, For all the dreams that went unsaid, For every stone that bruised our feet, When trodding on the endless street There's a reason.

For every hurt and every pain, And all the hopes that lived in vain, For every grief and ever plight, For every lonely hour at night, There's a reason.

But there is One who understands
Our every ache and every pain,
We must put our trust in Him,
It will not be in vain.
For He knows the reason.
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Homegoing Celebration

Ms. Alice Louise Cobb

Sunrise October 16, 1921

Sunset December 4, 2003







MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2003 1 P.M.

MOUNT VERNON BAPTIST CHURCH

1007 S. Roxboro Street Durham, North Carolina 27707

Dr. Percy L. High, Pastor, Officiating

Alice Louise Cobb

Lord, you alone can heal me, you alone can save me, and my praises are for you alone. Jeremiah 17:14

MS. ALICE LOUISE COBB, daughter of the late Claude Calvin Cobb, Sr.. and Veora Durham Cobb, was born on October 16, 1921 in Durham, North Carolina and departed this life on Thursday, December 4, 2003 at Magnolia Gardens.

She was educated in the Durham City Schools and was a 1939 graduate of Hillside High School. She attended North Carolina College (now North Carolina Central University) and Shaw University in Raleigh, N.C.

Alice worked for the Federal Government for three years prior to a thirty-nine year career with North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company from which she retired in 1986. Although her work commitment was quite obvious, perhaps her greatest passion was for her family. She acted as a second mom to her younger siblings and nieces and nephews as she lovingly guided and supported them through all situations and, with her sister, Gertrude, was very instrumental in their educational achievements.

A lifelong member of Mount Vernon Baptist Church, she has been a member and teacher of the Faithful Redeemed Bible Class, the Senior Citizens Club and the Mass choir. She was also a member of the National Council of Negro Women and the Zafa Court #41 Daughters of Isis. She also had past affiliations with the Girl Scouts.

Alice was predeceased by two sisters, Gladys Battle and Gertrude Cobb; one brother, Claude Calvin Cobb, Jr.; and two nephews, Bert Choate and Ulysses Cobb, Jr.

She leaves to cherish her loving memories, four sisters, Ruth C. Choate, Jean Haynie and Dorothy C. Wiggins (David), all of Durham and Annie Ruth Alderman (William) of Watha, NC; one brother, Ulysses Cobb (Emily) of Durham; six nieces, Rudie Choate, Donna Nelson, Patricia Gyant of Durham, Jerris Wells (Eugene) of Richmond, Va., Jeanya McMillan (Harrison) of Vancouver, Wash., and Annie Doris Lockett of Wilmington, Del.; seven nephews, Lt.Col (RET) Alphonso Matthewson (Mary Ann) of Williamsburg, Va., Gordon Matthewson, Johnny Cobb (Pam), Steven Cobb (Cathy) and Von Cobb, all of Durham, David Wiggins, III of Laurel, Md., and Claude Calvin Cobb, III (Kimberly) of San Francisco, Cal.; 27 grand nieces and nephews; her caregiver, Mrs. Lucille Richmond; and numerous other relatives and friends.

God Made As a Family

We need one another
We love one another
We forgive one another
We work together
We play together
We worship together
Together we use God's word
Together we love all men
Together we serve our God
Together we hope for heaven
These are our hopes and ideals
Help us to attain them, O God
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord

Family Visitation

12:30 P.M. - 1 P.M.

Order of Service

THE PRELUDE

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

How Great Thou Art

Choir

THE SCRIPTURE SELECTIONS

THE PRAYER OF COMFORT

THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS
AND RESOLUTIONS

THE HYMN OF PREPARATION

Count Your Many Blessings

Choir

THE EULOGY

Percy L. High

THE HYMN OF ASSURANCE

It is Well

Choir

THE REMARKS

Chris Fisher

THE COMMITTAL

THE RECESSIONAL

THE POSTLUDE



Interment

Glennview Memorial Park Garden of Devotion Durham, NC 27713

Drivers in the Procession, Please Turn on Your Headlights and Flashers for Safety. COBB

DURHAM - Funeral services for Ms. Alice Louise Cobb, 82, of 219 W. Weaver St., will be held at 1 p.m.



held at 1 p.m. Monday at Mt. Vernon Baptist Church. Family visitation, 30 minutes prior to service. Viewing, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday

p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the funeral home. Family at 219 W. Weaver St. E-mail condolences to fisherfp@hotmail .com -Fisher Funeral Parlor.

In Celebration of the Life of

Mrs. Andrew Belle Edwards Cobb

Sunrise August 20, 1927 Sunset May 7, 2013



Wednesday, May 15, 2013 12:00 Noon

St. Mark AME Zion Church 531 S. Roxboro Street Durham, North Carolina

Reverend Dr. G. Ray Coleman Officiating

Order of Service

Musical Prelude	
Processional	
Hymn of Praise	#507
"It	is Well With My Soul"
Scriptures Old Testament: Psalm 121. New Testament: Philippians 4:8-11.	
Affirmation of Faith	
Prayer of Comfort	
Musical Selection	The Perry Family Cousins
Tributes (limit 2-3 minutes)	Friend, Former Principal Durham High School
	Ms. Lessie Burton Horton Former Student, President Merrick Moore/Mill Grove Alumni
	Dr. Dwight D. Perry Cousin, Chair NCCU Board of Trustees
	Dr. Walter M. Brown Friend, West End Community
Song	Rev. Sylvia N. Branch Associate Minister St. Mark
Tributes	Rev. Brenda McCormick Associate Minister St. Mark
	Ms. Cristy and Allyson Cobb Granddaughters
	Dr. Joyce Perry Edwards Cousin
Resolution/Acknowledgements	
Song"(Come Ye Disconsolate" #447
Remarks	Rev. Dr. G. Ray Coleman
	Choir
	en We All Get to Heaven"

Interment

Beechwood Cemetery, 3600 Fayetteville Street - Durham, NC 27707

Andrew Belle Edwards Cobb A Life of Many Legacies

Andrew Belle Edwards Cobb was born August 20, 1927 in Durham, North Carolina, the second child of the late John Andrew Edwards and Annie Rose Marsh Edwards. She entered into eternal rest on May 7, 2013.

She attended Lyon Park Elementary School and graduated from Hillside High School in 1944. She earned the Bachelor of Science degree in Business and the Master of Science in Commerce from North Carolina Central University (NCCU) in 1949 and 1957 respectively. She pursued further graduate studies in Administration and Supervision, Vocational and Personnel Guidance at the University of North Carolina, North Carolina State University, and the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

Andrew Belle began a 45 year teaching career in the public schools of Durham county (Merrick-Moore High School) and city (Hillside and Durham High Schools), and Durham Technical Community College. During her professional career she taught a variety of subjects, provided vocational counseling, and served as an Administration Assistant in several

NCCU Summer Institutes for science teachers in Health Education and Microbiology.

At an early age she had a determination to achieve heights yet undisclosed but, in her mind, attainable. To this end

she embarked upon an odyssey that resulted in many professional, intellectual, and spiritual life legacies.

Her legacy of service is evident in her social, civic and community involvement where she served as president of the Linwood/Ridgeway Avenue Community Club; Board member of T. A. Grady Community Center; Durham Public Schools Education Chairperson of UNCF Solicitation and Parade of Stars Telethon; Member Daughters of Dorcas; Les Cardette Pinochle Club; Member City of Durham Human Relations Committee; District 13 Voter Poll Workers; former member of Zafa Court #41 Daughters of Isis; member of first Girl Scout Troop #21; Co-Chair/Organizer of the first West End Community Reunion.

She leaves a great legacy in the reciprocal honors that she bestowed upon others and the honors that others bestowed on her. She honored others by the precepts and example that she exhibited in her life -- her wit, plain and direct comments, her probing, thought provoking questions, and her good-heartedness. Her mentoring to young people was done with unqualified enthusiasm and a deep sense of pride -- so much so that young ladies often attempted to emulate her demeanor. One frequently heard a young lady say to her, "Mrs. Cobb, when I grow up I want to be just like you". This is certainly one of the greatest compliments, indeed honors, that a young person can give an older adult in today's times.

The honors and awards bestowed on her are numerous and include: Durham City Schools Plaques for Distinguished Demonstrations in Office Equipment; Durham Public Library Archive Room Plaque for First Black Teacher/Educator in a Private School; United Negro College Fund Award for Excellence in fund raising and hosting the UNCF telethon on WTVD. In 1969 she was one of the first African-American Durham Public Schools Teachers to transfer from Hillside High to the previously all white Durham High School where she integrated the Vocational Educational Department.

Her legacy of Christian Fellowship and Service is evident by her life-long membership in Saint Mark AME Zion Church where her great-grandmother, Sarah Womble Marsh, was one of the founders. At St Mark she held membership in several clubs and organizations including the Zionettes, the Missionary Society, Stewardess Board #3, Chair-Life member for Rainbow Tea, Chair of Month of August Birthday Social Committee, Co-Founder of Saint Mark Gazette Newspaper, Co-Chair of Staff that produced the first hard copy Yearbook, and Co-Advisor of St. Mark Dramatic Club.

Her legacy of love and gratitude is evident in the love that she gave her family by providing a nurturing, strong maternal environment that emphasized education and Christian principles. And, in gratitude, the greatest highlight of her life was the gifts that her children gave her when all three of them graduated - each on Mother's Day - from North

Carolina A & T State University.

She entered into holy matrimony with Claude C. Cobb, Jr. who preceded her in death and to that union were born three children - two daughters, Jerris C. Wells (Eugene) and Jeanya C. McMillan (Harrison), and one son, Claude C. Cobb, III. In addition to her children she leaves to cherish her memory eight grandchildren: Ivy Wells Perkins, Joy Wells Smith, Eugene Douglas Wells, III (Comeicha), Nichelle McMillan Bethune (James), Natalie Renee McMillan, Allyson Hope Cobb, Christy Drew Cobb, and Leah Lorie Cobb; and nine great-grandchildren: Nicholas Perkins, Lariisse Perkins, Jordan Smith, Kayla Smith, Naiyla Wells, Eugene D. Wells, IV (deceased), Neah Bethune, James Carl Bethune, Jr., Eugene D. Wells V, and Aleigha Martinez; one sister, Doris Lee (Bing) Bowser, an aunt, Artelia Marsh Perry and her children; two brothers William T. Fletcher and Robert L. Fletcher (Gaynell); six nephews: Aubrun Edwards, Alphonso Matthewson, Gordon Matthewson, Steven Cobb, Von Cobb, and David Wiggins, III; five nieces: Muruil Edwards, Lisa A. Bing, Rudie Choate, Donna Nelson, and Patricia Cobb, numerous cousins and many other relatives and friends.

As a daily inspirational reflection during her working days she kept under a glass on her desk the words from one of her favorite songs, "The Impossible Dream".

To dream... the impossible dream...
To reach... the unreachable star...
To try... when your arms are too weary...
This is my quest, to follow that star...
No matter how hopeless, no matter how far...
To reach... the unreachable star...

Pallbearers Nephews and Cousins

Floral Bearers

The Zionettes and Daughters of Dorcas

"Sweet Rest"

God saw that her road was getting rough; The hill was too hard to climb; He gently closed her loving eyes and whispered, "peace be thine". The weary hours; *The days and nights of pain and discomfort;* The sleepless nights are all over now; His ever patient, gentle servant has found sweet rest in that heavenly galaxy of eternal peace.

Acknowledgements

The family extends a special thanks to those who have offered comfort to us during these last few days by your prayers, your visits, and all other expressions of love that you have shown. We extend a special thanks to Wisdom Health Care and the Duke Home Hospice Services who gave unselfishly in service and friendship during our mother's transition.

The Measure of the Worth of a Person's Life

Not how or when did she die, but how did she live? Not what did she gain in her life, but what did she give to improve the lives of others? Do not remember the day when her life on earth ended, But think on the memory of her eternal love and that will remove all tears of sadness; These are the units that measure the worth of a person's life, regardless of birth, creed or stature.

> Not, what was her church, or what was her creed? But did she befriend those really in need? Was she ever ready, with kind words of good cheer, to bring back a smile, or to banish a tear?

Not what did the sketch in her bio say, But how many truly mourned when she passed away.

These are the units that measure the worth of a person's life, regardless of birth, creed or stature.

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In Loving Memory

of

Mr. Claude Calvin Cobb, Jr.

January 26, 1926 - August 29, 2001



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2001 2 P.M.

MOUNT VERNON BAPTIST CHURCH

1007 South Roxboro Street Durham, North Carolina 27707

The Reverend Doctor Percy L. High, Pastor, Officiating

Mr. Claude Calvin Cobb, Jr.

Claude C. Cobb, Jr., son of the late Claude C. Cobb, Sr. and Veora Durham Cobb, passed away peacefully in his sleep on August 29, 2001. He had waged a very courageous battle against cancer for the past several months. His death comes exactly 62 days after his sister, Gladys, succumbed.

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Claude was well-known and well-liked within the Durham Community where he has resided most of his 75 years. After graduating from Hillside High School in 1943, he attended Durham Business College where he earned an Associate Degree in Business Administration. He further studied at North Carolina College (now North Carolina Central University) and Shaw University in Raleigh, NC. Claude served in the U.S. Navy from 1944—46, completing a tour of duty in Guam near the conclusion of World War II. After returning from service, he worked in various capacities at the American Tobacco Company, the Durham Housing Authority, Operation Breakthrough, Duke Hospital and the Employment Security Commission.

Claude, or "CC" as he was known, joined Mount Vernon Baptist Church as a child and has attended continuously since. He belonged to the T. L. Rowland Bible Class. His civic affiliations included memberships in the Doric Masonic Lodge #28, Zafa Temple #176 and the Weaver McLean American Legion Post #175. He also served on the Board of Directors of Lincoln Community Health Center.

Claude leaves to cherish his memory, two daughters, Jerris Wells (husband Eugene) of Richmond, VA and Jeanya McMillan (husband Harrison) of Vancouver, WA; one son, Claude C. Cobb, III (wife Kimberly) of San Francisco, CA; eight grandchildren, Ivy J. Wells, Joy W. Smith (husband Keith), Eugene Wells, III (wife Comeicha), Nichelle McMillan, Natalie McMillan, Allyson Cobb, Christy Cobb and Leah Cobb; five sisters, Annie Ruth Bordeaux of Watha, NC, Alice Cobb, Ruth Choate, Jean Haynie and Dorothy C. Wiggins (husband David), all of Durham, NC; one brother, Ulysses Cobb (wife Emily) of Durham, NC; four nieces; six nephews; and many other relatives and close friends, among them Andrew Belle Edwards Cobb (his former wife and mother of Jerris, Jeanya and Claude III) and Vertie Glenn, former wife.

In Loving Memory Of Our Lost One

The pain we feel may never go away
You have left to go to a much better place
You have gone away but we know the Master makes no mistakes

We all loved you so much it hurts to see you go But our hearts know that your soul is in a place that we all love and know

You may have departed out of your shell but your memory will live You will live in our hearts as we have the love to give

We will cry out in pain and rejoice in joy
For you have gone to be with our Savior
Who will give you more love than you can endure.
Wanetta Choate Copington

The Order of Service

THE ORGAN PRELUDE Blessed Assurance THE SCRIPTURE SELECTIONS Old Testament New Testament THE PRAYER OF COMFORT All Day Long I've Been With Jesus THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND RESOLUTIONS Sweet Sweet Spirit THE EULOGY Percy L. High It Is Well THE COMMITTAL THE RECESSIONAL THE POSTLUDE

Interment

Masonic Rites
Doric Lodge #28, F.&A.M.

Glennview Memorial Park Lakeside Section Durham, North Carolina 27713

Drivers in the Procession, Please Turn on Your Headlights and Flashers for Safety.

ACTIVE PALL BEARERS

Doric Lodge No. 28, F.&A.M.

HONORARY PALL BEARERS

T. L. Rowland Bible Class

FLORAL BEARERS

American Legion Auxillary

HONORARY FLORAL BEARERS

Daughters of Ruth Bible Class

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WEAVER McLean Post No. 175 American Legion
Tobacco Workers Union No. 183
E. O. People Sunday School Class

FLORAL BEARERS

LADIES, USHER BOARDS

HONORARY FLORAL BEARERS

KINGDOM SEEKERS' SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS LADIES AUXILIARY AMERICAN LEGION POST No. 175

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In Memoriam



CLAUDE CALVIN COBB, SR.

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Mount Vernon Baptist Church DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

Monday, February 14, 1966 4:00 P.M.

"I am the true vine and my Father is the husbandman." — I JOHN 15:1.

THE REVEREND E. T. BROWNE, PASTOR

-:- OBITUARY -:-

CLAUDE CALVIN COBB, SR., the son of the late Handy and Alice Cobb, was born in Sampson County on February 29, 1888, and died on February 11, 1966 at the Veterans Administration Hospital at 11:53 P.M.

He attended public schools in Sampson County.

He was a retired employee of the American Tobacco Company where he worked for 45 years and was active in the Tobacco Workers Union #204 (now TWU #183).

He was active in many phases of the civic and religious life of Durham before his declining health. He was a honorary life-time member of Mount Vernon Baptist Church, a member of E. O. People Sunday School Class, a veteran of World War I, a member of the American Legion and past president of the Interdenominational Ushers Association of North Carolina.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Veora D. Cobb; seven daughters, Alice L. Cobb, Gertude Cobb, Mrs. Gladys Matthewson, Mrs. Ruth Choate, and Dorothy Cobb of the home, Mrs. Jean C. Tilley, Hartford, Connecticut and Mrs. Annie Ruth Pearsall of Warsaw; two sons, Claude C. Cobb, Jr. and Ulysses Cobb of Durham; three brothers, Ferd, William and Johnnie Cobb of Roseboro; two sisters, Mrs. Sennie McDonald of Fayetteville and Mrs. Rebecca Edwards of Mount Olive; thirteen grandchildren and numerous other relatives and friends

-:- MEMORIAL SERVICES -:-

ORGAN MEDITATIONS

PROCESSIONAL

HYMN—"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

SENIOR CHOIR NO. 1

SCRIPTURE

THE REVEREND J. W. BARNES
Pastor, Terrell Creek Baptist Church

INVOCATION

THE REVEREND JAMES STEWART
Pastor, Red Mountain and
White Oak Baptist Churches

SENIOR CHOIR NO 1

WILLIAM M. DAVIS

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS AND REMARKS

HYMN—"The Servant of God Well Done"

SOLO_____R. W. DALTON

EULOGY

THE REVEREND J. A. BROWN
Pastor, Ebenezer Baptist Church

RECESSIONAL

ZONE LEADER

MILITARY RITES AND INTERMENT -- GLENNVIEW MEMORIAL PARK

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6-THE CAROLINA TIMES-SATURDAY, JANUARY 24, 2004

Deaths



JOHN CALVIN COBB

Final rites for John Calvin Cobb were held Wednesday, January 21, at Community Baptist Church. Rev. Percy R. Chase, pastor, officiated. Interment was in Glennview Memorial Park. He died Friday, January 16, at Durham Regional Hospital.

He was born April 14, 1952 in Baltimore, Md., a son of the Ulysses Clifton and Mrs. Emily Hillman Cobb. He attended Durham public schools, was a graduate of Jordan High School and attended Durham Technical Community College. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force. He had been employed at Biomerieux, Inc.

He was a lifelong member of Community Baptist Church and an usher. He was an assistant Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 137 at St. Joseph's AME Church. He also volunteered with Community Sharing for the

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are his wife, Mrs. Pamela Nickerson Cobb; a son, Jonathan Calvin Cobb; a sister, Ms. Patricia Cobb; two brothers. Von Cobb and Steve Cobb; four aunts, Mrs. Annie Ruth Alderman of Watha, Ms. Ruth C. Choate, Ms. Jean C. Haynie and Ms. Dorothy C. Wiggins; three uncles, William Hillman of Wilmington, Robert Hillman and Richard Hillman, both of East Stroudsburg, Pa.

Arrangements were by Fisher Funeral Parlor.

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DURHAM - Funeral services for John Calvin "JC" "Johnny" Cobb, 51, of 522 Melbourne St., will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Community



B a p t i s t Church, 4821 Barbee Rd. Family visitation, 30 minutes prior toservice. Viewing, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. today at Fish-

er Funeral Parlor.

He was a 1971 graduate of Jordan High School and also attended Durham Technical Community College. A former employee of Biomerieux, Inc., he was also a U.S. Air Force veteran. He was a member of Community Baptist Church and an assistant scoutmaster of Boy

Scout Troop 137.

Survivors include his wife, Pamela Nickerson-Cobb; a son, Jonathan Calvin Cobb, his parents, Ulysses Cliffon and Emily Hillman Cobb; sister, Patricia Cobb; brothers, Von Cobb and Steve Cobb (Kathy); mother-in-law, Willie B. Nickerson of Hillsborough; fatherin-law, Herman Nickerson (Gail) of Henderson; sisters-in-law, Chris Nickerson-Pennix (Lynn) and Jeana Nickerson of Hillsborough and Rosetta Cobb; brother-in-law, Jeff Nickerson of Hillsborough; aunts, Annie Ruth Alderman (William) of Watha and Ruth C. Choate, Jean C. Haynie and Dorothy C. Wiggins (David); uncles, William Hillman (Sylvia) of Wilmington and Robert Hillman (Delores) of East Stroudsbura. Pa.

Stroudsburg, Pa.
Family also at 1002 Benning St. E-mail condolences to fisherfp@hotmail.com - Fisher

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She Is Not Dead

I Cannot say, and I will not say
That she is dead. She is just away.
With a cheery smile, and a wave of the hand,
She has wandered into an unknown land
And left us dreaming how very fair
Her needs must be, since she lingers there.
And we — oh, we, who the wildest yearn
For an old-time step, and her glad return,
Think of her faring on, as dear
In the love of THERE as the love of HERE.
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James W. Riley

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SERVICE IN MEMORY

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Ms. Gertrude Cobb

Mount Vernon Baptist Church 1007 Scrick Roxboro Street Durham, North Carolina

> Thursday, May 21, 1987 2:00 P.M.

The Reverend Percy L. High, Pastor, Officiating



Obituary

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Say unto wisdom, Thou art my sister; and call understanding thy kinswoman.

Proverbs 7:4

The Order of Service

THE PRELUDE
THE PROCESSIONAL
THE HYMN OF PRAISE
THE SCRIPTURE SELECTIONS AND PRAYER (Accompanied by Organ Music)
THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND RESOLUTIONS
THE HYMN OF PREPARATION The Choir
THE EULOGY Percy High
THE HYMN OF ASSURANCE The Choir
THE RECESSIONAL
THE POSTLUDE

Burial Glennview Memorial Park Durham

DRIVERS IN THE PROCESSION, PLEASE TURN ON HEADLIGHTS FOR SAFETY.

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COBB

The Rev. Dr. Harold James Cobb, Sr., age 76, of 3517 Westover Rd., died Monday. He was a graduate of Shaw



University with dual degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Divinity. He earned a master of Divinity from Southeastern Theological Seminary, a Master of Ed-

ucation from North Carolina Central University and an Educational Specialist Degree from East Carolina University.

Dr. Cobb was pastor of First Baptist Church, in Mebane, from 1949 to 1953. He also held pastorates at First Baptist Church, in Burlington, from 1953 to 1972, Mount Bethel Baptist Church, in Roxboro, from 1960 to 1990, and West Durham Baptist Church, from 1972 to 1993. He founded First United Antioch Baptist Church, in 1993, as part of his vision that a church should serve its community. In addition to traditional worship services, the church also provided continuing adult education through a partnership with Shaw University as well as a women's health service.

He was a member of Alpha Psi Alpha Fraternity.

Funeral services will be held 12 Noon Saturday at First United Antioch Baptist Church, 1415 Holloway St. Family visitation will be one hour prior to the service. A viewing will be held from 10:00 a.m. till 6:00 p.m. today and Friday, at Fish-

er Funeral Parlor.

Surviving are his wife, of 51 years, Armadia Goodson Cobb; sons, the Rev. Harold J. Cobb, Jr. (Sheliah) and granddaughter, Caryn, of Norfolk, Va., and Tim Cobb and grandsons, Avery and T.J., of Atlan-ta; aunts, Ida Mae Lewis, of High Point, who was his surrogate mother, and Geneva Stevenson Jackson, of Gastonia; uncle, Christopher Stevenson, of Detroit, Mich.; sisters-inlaw, Katie Dunston (Ollie) and Marjorie Powell (Robert), of Raleigh; brothers-in-law, Way-mond Goodson (Betty), of Wheaton, Md., M. Chester Goodson, of Columbia, Md., and Marion Goodson (Mildred), of Raleigh.

In lieu of flowers, please make contributions to the

church.

Email condolences to fisherfp@netscape.net.

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In Loving Memory

of

The Reverend Doctor Harold James Cobb, Sr.

May 24, 1925 -- August 6, 2001



SATURDAY, AUGUST 11, 2001 Noon

FIRST UNITED ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH

. 1415 Holloway Street Durham, North Carolina 27703

The Reverend Michael J. Page, Pastor, Officiating

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Family Visitation

11 A.M. -- Noon

The Order of Service

PRELUDE

SELECTION

I Will Trust In The Lord

First United Antioch Baptist Choir

SCRIPTURE SELECTIONS

Old Testament New Testament Ecclesiastes I:1-11 John 14:1-6

Rev. J. Ray Butler Rev. Michael J. Page

PRAYER OF COMFORT

Dr. Charles Bullock

SELECTION

First United Antioch Baptist Choir

TRIBUTES

Durham Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance

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First Baptist Church (Burlington) Mount Bethel Baptist Church

West Durham Baptist Church

First United Antioch Baptist Church

The Family

SELECTION

Amazing Grace

EULOGY

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Rev. Leroy E. Davis

Mrs. Faye Oakley Bassett

Rev. Ken Brown

Dr. Luke Torian

Wanzie McAuley

John Clark

Tim Cobb

First United Antioch Baptist Choir

Reverend Harold J. Cobb, Jr.

First United Antioch Baptist Choir

Interment

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Beechwood Cemetery Section E Durham, North Carolina 27707

Drivers in the Procession, Please Turn on Your Headlights and Flashers for Safety.





PALL BEARERS Nephews of Dr. Cobb

HONORARY PALL BEARERS

Brethren of the Cloth

FLORAL BEARERS

Women of First United Antioch Baptist Church

HONORARY FLORAL BEARERS

Minister's Wives

Adapted from "Go Down Death - A Funeral Sermon" by James Weldon Johnson

Weep not, weep not,
He is not dead;
He's resting in the bosom of Jesus,
Heart-broken wife – weep no more;
Grief-stricken sons – weep no more;
He's only gone home.

Early Monday morning,
God was looking down from his great, high heaven,
Looking down on all his children,
And his eve fell on Brother Harold.
Tossing on his bed of pain,
And God's big heart was touched with love and compassion.

And God sat back on this throne,
And called Death!
And God said: God down, Death, go down
Go down to Durham, North Carolina
Down in Treyburn
And find Brother Harold.
He's borne the burden and heat of the day
He's labored long in my vineyard.
And he's tired He's weary Go down, Death, and bright him to me.

While we were watching round his bed.

He turned his eyes and looked away
He saw what we couldn't see.
He saw Old Death. He saw Old Death.
Coming like a falling star.
But Death didn't frighten Brother Harold;
He looked to him like a welcome friend.
And he whispered to us, I'm going home.
And he smiled and closed his eyes.

And Death took him up like a baby,
Up beyond the evening star.
Out beyond the morning star.
Into the glittering light of glory.
On to God's Great Throne
And there he laid Brother Harold
On the loving breast of Jesus.

And Jesus took his own hand and wiped away his tears.

And smoothed the furrows from his face.

And the angels sang a little song,

And Jesus rocked him his arms.

And kept a-saying, "Take your rest.

Take your rest, take your rest."

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The FAMILY, of Reverend Doctor Harold James Cobb, Sr., deeply acknowledges and greatly appreciates the many acts of kindness extended to them during the illness and death of their loved one. Special thanks is extended to Rev. Z. D. Harris for his pastoral assistance. May God continue to richly bless you!!!

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A Short History of the Full Life of Dr. Harold James Cobb, Sr.

HAROLD JAMES COBB, SR. was born on May 24, 1925 in Winston-Salem, North Carolina to Walter and Minnie Stevenson Cobb. He was raised and received his early childhood education in Chester, South Carolina where he lived with his maternal grandparents Lizzie and James Stevenson. As a teenager, he moved to High Point, North Carolina where he finished William Penn High School.

He accepted his calling to the ministry and attended Shaw University in Raleigh, North Carolina. While at Shaw, he was active on campus and joined Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. He also met his wife, Armadia Goodson there. Harold and Armadia married in 1950, a union that lasted 51 years and produced two sons, Harold Jr. in 1958 and Tim in 1965. He graduated from Shaw with dual degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Divinity.

He accepted his first pastorate in 1949 at First Baptist Church in Mebane, North Carolina where he remained until 1953. In 1953, he became pastor of First Baptist Church in Burlington, North Carolina. In addition to serving as the Church's leader, he was also an active community leader with the Citizen's Committee for Civic Affairs, which was the area's primary vehicle for civil rights advocacy. In 1960, he agreed to serve as Pastor of Mount Bethel Baptist Church in Roxboro, which conducted its services on Sunday afternoons. He would remain at Mount Bethel until 1990.

In 1972, he accepted the position as Pastor of West Durham Baptist Church in Durham, North Carolina. During this period of his career, he intensified his passion as an educator, first as an adjunct professor at Shaw University and subsequently as Assistant Principal at several Durham area elementary, junior high and high schools. He retired from the Durham County School System in 1995. Dr. Cobb never lost his own desire to add to his personal educational base, and continued his formal education throughout much of his adult life. He earned a Master of Divinity from Southeastern Theological seminary, a Master of Education from North Carolina Central University, and an Educational Specialist Degree from East Carolina University. He was the recipient of an honorary Doctor of Divinity from Friendship College.

He retired as Pastor of West Durham Baptist in 1993. After a short retirement, he founded First United Antioch Baptist Church in December 1993. In many respects, First United represented Dr. Cobb's vision of how a church should serve its community. In addition to traditional worship services, the Church also provided continuing adult education through a partnership with Shaw University as well as a women's health service.

After a long and courageous bout with prostate cancer, Dr. Cobb moved on to Glory on August 6, 2001 from complications resulting from cancer. In terms of his immediate family, he is survived by his loving and devoted wife Armadia; his son Harold Jr. and daughter-in-law Sheliah and granddaughter Caryn of Norfolk, Virginia and his son Tim and grandsons Avery and TJ of Atlanta, Georgia. He is also survived by two aunts, Ida Mae Lewis of High Point, North Carolina who was his surrogate mother and Geneva Stevenson Jackson of Gastonia, North Carolina; an uncle, Christopher Stevenson of Detroit, Michigan; brothers and sisters-in-law, including Katie and Ollie Dunston, Marjorie and Robert Powell and Marion and Mildred Goodson of Raleigh, North Carolina, Waymond and Betty Goodson of Wheaton, Maryland and M. Chester Goodson of Columbia, Maryland; and many loving cousins, family and friends. He will be greatly missed by all.

Dr. Cobb leaves many wonderful and enduring legacies: including service to God and community; the tremendous benefits of hard work and persistence; and an example that ordinary people can achieve extraordinary things, if they trust in God, believe in themselves and have the courage to pursue their dreams.

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September 22, 1897 — January 30, 1985

Mount Vernon Baptist Church,

1007 South Roxboro Street Durham, North Carolina

Sunday, February 3, 1985 1:00 P.M.

The Reverend Dr. Percy L. High, Pastor, Officiating

- Obituary -

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Undoubtedly, her most remarkable characteristics and the traits for which she will best be remembered are her warmth, love and dedication as a Mother and as "grandma" to many young friends of the family. Her departure will be a heartfelt loss to two sons, Claude C. Cobb, Jr. and Ulysses Cobb, both of Durham; six daughters, Ms. Alice Cobb, Ms. Gertrude Cobb, Mrs. Gladys Battle, Ms. Ruth Choate, Ms. Jean Nelson and Mrs. Dorothy Wiggins, all of Durham; one step-daughter, Mrs. Annie Ruth Pearsall of Willard, N.C.; thirteen grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; one sister-in-law, Mrs. Seenie McDonald of Fayetteville, N.C.; one brother-in-law, William Edwards of Roseboro, N.C.; other relatives and many friends.

This is my commandment. That ye love one another, as I have loved you.

John 15:12

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COCKERHAM

The funeral for Mr. Troy Lee Cockerham, Sr., of 700 North Mangum Street, Apt. 4G, who



COCKERHAM

departed this life on June 13, 1997, will be conducted at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Morehead Avenue Baptist Church.

will be at Morehead Avenue Baptist Church Tuesday evening from 7 to 8. At other times, the family will receive friends at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Etta C. Harris, 825 Delray Street.

He is survived by his former wife, Sadie Philpot Cockerham; 1 daughter, Etta C. Harris; 3 sons, Troy, Jr., James, and Jesse; 3 daughters-in-law; 14 grand-children; 4 great-grandchildren; 5 brothers; 3 sisters; 4 uncles; 3 aunts; several nephews and nieces; and a host of loving relatives and friends.

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HONORARY PALLBEARERS

DEACON BOARD

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The FAMILY appreciates your excellent friendship during he life of their dead one, and they gratefully acknowledge your nany acts of kindness at the departure of their devoted husband, ather, brother, relative and friend.

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A Service of Worship of The Almighty God
For



THE REVEREND JESSE HARVEY COFIELD

Wednesday, March 2, 1977 2:30 P.M.

White Rock Baptist Church 3400 Fayetteville Street Durham, North Carolina

THE REVEREND LORENZO A. LYNCH, Pastor

THE REVEREND JESSE HARVEY COFIELD, son of the late Willie and Betty Cofeild, was born in Edgecombe County, North Carolina, and departed this life Friday, February 25, 1977 at his home.

He was joined in Holy Matrimony to Florence Hawkins, who preceded him in death. He was later joined in Holy Matrimony to Wavelene P. Edwards.

He attended the Public Schools of Nash County and was graduated from Brick Institute. He received the Bachelor of Science Degree in Mathematics and Science from North Carolina Central University and the Bachelor of Divinity Degree from Shaw University. His additional training included several National Science Foundation Institutes and Special Guidance Training at Saint Augustine's College and North Carolina State University, respectively.

A dedicated and loyal member of White Rock Baptist Church, the deceased assisted in the church's ministry for many years. His devoted religious services at White Rock included Sunday School Teacher, member of the College View District and the Moore-Kennedy Bible Class.

Other community activities included memberships in the North Carolina Central University Alumni Association and the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance of Durham and Vicinity. He reflected tremendous loyalty as Concession Manager at Hope Valley County Club for many years, Circulation Manager for THE CAROLINA TIMES, Incorporated, Amway Salesman, Mathematics and Science Instructor, Spaulding School and Southern Nash High School, Spring Hope, North Carolina, Dormitory Counselor at NCCU, Chaplain, Fisher Funeral Parlor and Teacher Aide, Hillside High School. He served as Pastor in Goldston and Concord, North Carolina.

The late Reverend Cofield constantly exhibited the capacity to gain and influence friends in the various areas of life.

He leaves to mourn their loss, his widow, Mrs. Wavelene P. Cofield; one daughter, Palema L. Edwards; three sons, Conald G., Ronald A. and H. Darryl Edwards, all of the home; a step-mother, Mrs. Betty Cofield of Tarboro, N. C.; five brothers, Thomas, Eddie and Fred Cofield of Tarboro, N. C., Roosevelt Cofield of Washington, D. C., and James Cofield of Brooklyn, N. Y.; five sisters, Mrs. Beatrice Taylor of Baltimore, Maryland, Mrs. Betty Smith of New York, N. Y., Mrs. Odell Higgs, Mrs. Helen Glass and Mrs. Hester Marie Knight, all of Tarboro, N. C.; three step-brothers, six step-sisters, and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

His life is a beautiful memory
His absence, our sorrows and grief,
He sleeps in God's beautiful garden,
In the sunshine of perfect peace.
Sometimes it's hard to understand,
Why some things have to be,
But in his wisdoms God has planned,
Beyond our power to see,
Time takes away the edge of grief,
But memory turns back every lear.

-THE FAMILY

THE REVEREND MILES MARK FISHER, IV, OFFICIATING

ORGAN PRELUDE MR. JOHN H. GATTIS PROCESSIONAL HYMN—Come, Ye Disconsolate The Choir SCRIPTURE THE REVEREND T. ENOCH KEARNEY Spring Street United Presbyterian Church Wake Forest, N C. INVOCATION THE REVEREND LORENZO A. LYNCH HYMN—It Is Well The Choir TRIBUTE THE REVEREND Z. D. HARRIS Ministerial Alliance THE ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.......MR. F. HOWARD ALSTON SOLO—How Great Thou Art Mrs. Ella Britton EULOGY THE REVEREND MILES MARK FISHER, IV RECESSIONAL ORGAN POSTLUDE

INTERMENT — BEECHWOOD CEMETERY

Carolina



THE REV. JESSE H. COFIELD

The Rev. Jesse Harvey Cofield 1319 South Alston Ave. died Friday evening at his home.

The funeral will be held Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. at White Rock Baptist Church by the Rev. Miles Mark Fisher. Burial will be in Beechwood Cemetery.

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Surviving ar his wife, Mrs. Wavelene P. Cofield; one daughter, Miss Palema L. Edwards; three sons, Conald G. Edwards, Ronald A. Edwards, and H. Darryl Edwards, all of the home; his stepmother, Mrs. Betty Cofield of Tarboro; five brothers, Thomas Cofield, all of Tarboro, Roosevelt Cofield of Washington, D.C., and James Cofield of Brooklyn, N.Y.; five sisters, Mrs. Beatrice Taylor of Baltimore, Md., Mrs. Betty Smith of New York, N.Y., and Mrs. Odell Higgs, Mrs. Helen Glass and Mrs. Hester Marie Knight, all of Tarboro; and three stepbrothers and six stepsisters.

OBITUARIES

William Cohen, made a difference as a teacher

SOLON - William A. Cohen

enjoyed teaching so much that he turned down promotions to administrative positions several times. He eventually succumbed and was serving as assistant principal at Lincoln Junior High School when he retired in 1984.



Cohen

"All he wanted was contact with children," his wife, Sandra, said. "It meant less money, but we were glad he did because so many people have come up to him as adults and told him he was responsible for them finishing school."

Mr. Cohen, 71, died June 24 at his home in Solon. He had cancer.

He was born in Chester, S.C., where his father was a Methodist minister. Mr. Cohen graduated from A&T College in Greensboro, N.C., where he was an Army ROTC student during World War II. He was then sent to the Aleutian Islands until the end of the war.

Mr. Cohen came to Cleveland, but decided to take a higher-paying job with the Postal Service rather than teach. The urge to return to the classroom was too great, however, so he became a teacher at Addison Junior High School in 1957.

Mr. Cohen earned master's degrees in biology and physics at John Carroll University and pursued graduate studies in school administration while he was working.

After he retired, Mr. Cohen completed a police training course at Case Western Reserve University and became an auxiliary policeman in Solon. He said he enjoyed the work patrolling parks and directing traffic in part because it did not entail carrying a weapon.

Mr. Cohen was a former president of the Tee-Offers and Grasshoppers golf clubs. He belonged ot the Knock-About-Gents social club and Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity. He was president of his condominium association.

Mr. Cohen is survived by his

wife and a sister.

A memorial service was held at Christ Episcopal Church. Arrangements were handled by the E.F. Boyd & Son funeral home of Cleveland.

WILLIAM A. "BILL" COHEN

William A. Cohen, son of the late Rev. Arthur R. and Fonnie Cohen, died on June 24,1995 of cancer. William, born in Chester, SC, came to Cleveland upon completion of his military obligation and undergraduate work at N. C. A. & T. State University, and found working in the Post Office more viable than the school system. Being an educator and scholar, he entered the Cleveland Public School System and served the students at Addison Junior High School from 1957 until entering the administrative ranks, from which he retired in 1984.

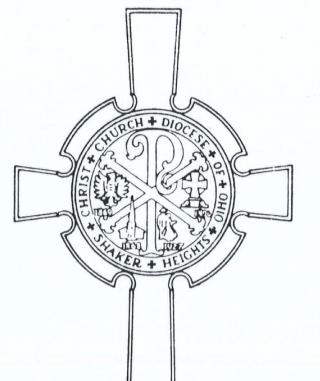
Having earned two Masters Degrees, in Biology and in Physics (through the MST Program at John Carroll University), he almost completed a third, in Administration and Supervision, after returning to school at Case Western Reserve University to complete course work for the Solon Auxiliary Police Department. In 1989 he became the first African-American to serve on the force.

William was an avid golfer and fisherman. He loved traveling, bridge, and social and civic activities. He was former president of The Tee-Offers Golf Club, member of the Grasshoppers Golf Club, The Knock-About-Gents, and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. He was president of his condominium association until his death.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Vera. He is survived by his wife Sandra, of Solon; sister Fletcher Cornelius of Solon; aunt Mary E. Clark of Durham, NC; cousins, James (Ruth) Cohen of Washington, DC; (Ralph) & Nancy Fletcher of Detroit, MI; brother-in-law Reginald (Marcia) Perkins of Riverside, CA; and a host of cousins and loyal friends.

The Family suggests donations be made to:
The Hospice of the Western Reserve
300 East 185th Street
Cleveland, Ohio 44119

North Carolina A & T State University 1606 Salem Street Greensboro, NC 27411



A Service in Thanksgiving for the Life of

William A. Cohen

Thursday, June 29, 1995 11:00 a.m.

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The mission of Christ Church:
To seek God
To share Christ
To serve others

3445 Warrensville Center Road, Shaker Heights, Ohio 441222 (216) 991-3432

The Holy Eucharist in Thanksgiving for the Life of

William A. Cohen

The Burial of the Dead

Opening Anthems in Procession (all stand)

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The Collect of the Day

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The Lessons (please be seated)

First Lesson: Isaiah 25:6-9

Psalm 46

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Second Lesson: Revelation 21:2-7 Psalm 23 (King James Version)

Gradual Hymn 662: "Abide with me: fast falls the eventide"

page 476 Eventide

Gospel: John14:1-6

Tribute to a Friend

Mr. Robert E. Lee Mrs. Izora Bagley

The Homily

The Reverend Kenneth W. Poppe

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate.

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended in heaven.

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

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The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn 599: "Lift every voice and sing" (stanzas 1 and 3)

Lift Every Voice

The Great Thanksgiving — Eucharistic Prayer A

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The Lord's Prayer

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Administration of Communion

All are invited to receive communion at the Lord's table.

Postcommunion Prayer

Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing and Dismissal

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Recessional Hymn 671: "Amazing grace! how sweet the sound"

New Britain

Postlude

Participants

Officiant/Homilist

Celebrant

Lectors/Chalice Bearers

Organist Ushers

The Reverend Kenneth W. Poppe The Reverend Henrietta H. Grossoehme

Carol Franklin and Margaret Walton Charles M. Carr

Altar Guild

Joan Bevington-Brown, Susan Blackwell, and Frank Moore

Anne Elliott, Ann Robichaux, Mary Beeg, Molly Vanderhoof, Karol Jones, and

Geraldine Shaw

At the conclusion of the service, the congregation is invited to greet members of the family in the Dowell Room.