

# Obsequies

~ for ~

## FLOYD E. SPELLMAN

1916



2001

*Ministry*

*'The Order of Service*

*The Farewell Tribute*

*ACKNOWLEDGMENT*

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*Tributes*

## A FAVORITE RECIPE

*Take a cup of KINDNESS  
Mix it well with LOVE,  
Add a lot of PATIENCE  
And FAITH in God above,  
Sprinkle very generously  
With JOY and THANKS and CHEER —  
And you'll have lots of "angel food"  
To fest on all the year.*



Saturday, December 15, 2001 † One O'Clock in the Afternoon



Corner Stone Missionary Baptist Church  
Elizabeth City, North Carolina

Rev. John E. Trotman, *Pastor*  
~ Officiant ~

~ INTERMENT ~  
Westlawn Memorial Park Cemetery

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# The Order of Service

ORGAN PRELUDE ..... Mrs. Catherine Bunch

PROCESSIONAL ..... Handel  
*"Largo from XERXES"*

HYMN ..... Mass Choir  
*"Abide With Me"*

## SCRIPTURES:

Old Testament ..... Rev. William T. Davis  
*Psalms 90: 1-6, 10, 12, 14-17*

New Testament ..... Rev. John W. Felton  
*2 Corinthians 5: 1*  
*Revelation 7: 9-17*

PRAYER OF COMFORT ..... Rev. Joseph L. Wills

CHANT ..... Mass Choir  
*"Alleluia"*

## TRIBUTES:

Dr. T.V. Beasley  
Grand Chapter OES  
Grand Lodge

Hymn ..... Mass Choir  
*"The Lord Is My Light"*

Eulogy ..... Rev. John E. Trotman

Recessional ..... *"Going Home"*

Interment ..... Westlawn Memorial Park Cemetery

Benediction ..... Rev. Trotman

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## The Farewell Tribute

### ACKNOWLEDGMENT

# The Farewell Tribute

*For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come; nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

— Romans 8: 38-39

A Christian veteran said, as he came to the close of life, "I have fought a good fight" — he had been involved against the enemies of mankind; "I have finished my course" — he had made the most of life, leaving the world richer because of his living; "I have kept the faith". The apostle Paul had kept something even as he moved hither and yon throughout the Mediterranean world.

Most of us think of death as the worst thing that could befall us. When one has lived a long, useful life or when he has toiled through long trying days looking to God "the Author and Finisher" of his faith; when ones friends and family are on the other side or when ones illness lingers through endless days and nights and hope for recovery has gone — then death comes as an angel of mercy. It is the answer to the repeated sigh "Lord, now lettest thou servant depart in peace". For we know if this earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

A minister quoting Revelation has said, "There shall be no more sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain."

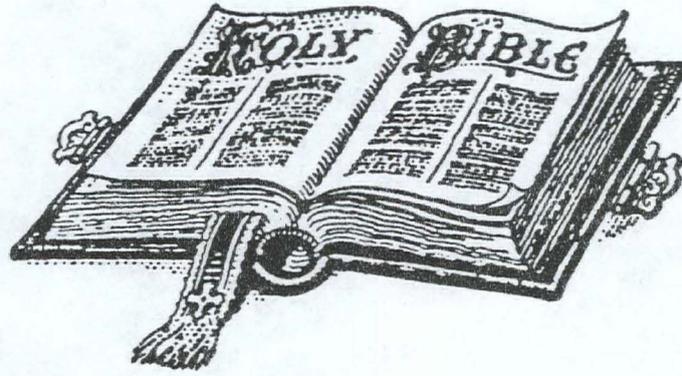
It means vacating a house that has been dilapidated and ruined by storm and moving into a large spacious mansion with a beautiful view of mountains and the sea. It means the transmission set is worn out and a new one must be found. It means putting off the old suit and dressing in a new beautiful garment.

Death is a friend because it brings release. It means freeing oneself from a worn-out diseased bodily organism and setting the Spirit free. It means a time of reward. It means the beginning of a more abundant life; it is opening the gate to eternity. The Bible says it beautifully, "*They shall hunger no more, the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd and will guide them to springs of living water and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.*" (Rev. 7: 16-17)

Over there wrongs shall be righted, tears shall be wiped away, God shall watch over them. Life will be made perfect. Eyes have not seen, nor ears heard, neither have entered into the hearts of man the things that God hath prepared for those that love Him.

You are not dead. Life has but set you free.

*The Farewell Tribute*



## *Acknowledgment*

*The Spellman family is extremely grateful  
to friends for tangible gifts, expressions of kindness and  
any assistance offered during the illness  
and bereavement of their loved one.*

*God bless all of you.*

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## Palbearers

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~ Honorary ~

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Eastern Star Lodge #15

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## Floral Bearers

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Hood Chapter #33 OESPHA

*Fathers are wonderful people  
Too little understood  
And we do not sing their praises  
As often as we should  
And Father struggles daily  
To live up to "his image"  
As protector and provider  
And "hero of the scrimmage"  
And perhaps that is the reason  
We sometimes get the notion  
That Fathers are not subject  
To the thing we call emotion,  
But if you look inside Dad's heart  
Where no one else can see,  
You'll find he's sentimental  
And as "soft" as he can be,  
Fathers are just wonderful  
In a million different ways  
And they merit loving compliments  
And accolades of praise,  
For the only reason Dad aspires  
To fortune and success  
Is to make the family proud of him  
And to bring them happiness  
And like our Heavenly Father,  
He's a guardian and a guide,  
Someone that we can count on  
To be always on our side.*

Love,

**Joyce, George, Theda,  
Cameron & Jared**

*Floyd, the builder of many homes and dreams,  
You've paved the way for many people, it seems;  
You've taken the time to assist the youth  
In numerous ways and that is the truth.  
You've spent countless hours on the road,  
Attending meetings and carrying the load;  
Of problems to solve for those in need,  
Of homes and jobs with families to feed;  
You've opened doors that some might see,  
A way to improve on whatever one can be;  
Your task seemed easy, but everyone knows,  
It demanded many sleepless hours with maybe a dose.  
You've portrayed such an enriching life,  
We know it comes from an understanding wife;  
A wife of sixty-two years to date,  
God knew what you needed when He chose your mate.  
You've seen many days come and go,  
You've seen many ways to earn that dough;  
But you were not selfish in sharing your time,  
And you've helped many people in their prime;  
To achieve those things as you saw fit,  
With your knowledge, wisdom, and certainly your wit.  
We say, "THANK YOU FLOYD, FOR ALL YOU'VE DONE!"  
You've shown us the beauty of the rising sun.*

By

**Waverly S. Creecy**  
May 11, 1996

*~ Arrangements ~*

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GRAVESIDE RITES

for



**Mr. Anthony Jerome Spells**

July 10, 1946 — January 18, 1989

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Glennview Memorial Park

Durham, North Carolina

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Sunday, January 22, 1989

3:00 P.M.

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The Reverend Z.D. Harris, Officiating

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*Acknowledgement*

*We acknowledge with sincere appreciation all of the  
comforting expressions and acts of kindness extended  
during this time of our bereavement.*

*May God bless each of you.*

*The Family*

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## Obituary

ANTHONY JEROME SPELLS of 86 Banks St., White Plains, N.Y., died January 18, 1989 after a short illness. He was born July 10, 1946 to Chester and Ophelia Spells.

He graduated from Hillside High School in 1964. He was also a graduate of Durham Technical Institute in 1966. He was a member of the Armed Services.

He was a member of Union Baptist Church of White Plains, N.Y. He was employed by the Federal Government.

His survivors are his mother, Ophelia G. Spells of Durham, N.C.; three brothers, Leroy Spells of White Plains, N.Y., Burnis Spells of Irvington, N.J., Chester Spells, Jr., of Durham; two sisters, Verla Hamm and Patricia Evans, both of Durham, N.C.; three sisters-in-law, Mary Spells, White Plains, N.Y., Maxine Spells, Irvington, N.J., Pamela Spells of Durham, N.C.; one brother-in-law, John Evans of Durham, N.C.; 17 nieces and nephews; five great nephews and one great niece; foster grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Peacock of Princeton, N.C.; one God child, Kendrick Williams; and a host of aunts, uncles, relatives and friends.

## Graveside Service

PRAYER

SCRIPTURE ..... Minister Verla Hamm

COMMITTAL

BENEDICTION

### PSALM 121

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.  
My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber.

Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.

The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.

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**SPELLS** — Graveside rites for Mr. Anthony Jerome Spells of White Plains, New York, formerly of Durham who died Wednesday will be held Sunday at 3:00 p.m. at Glennview Memorial Park with Rev. Z. D. Harris officiating. The family will receive friends from 7 till 8 p.m. Saturday evening at the Scarborough and Hargett Memorial Chapel and will be at the home of his mother, Mrs. Ophelia Spells at 709 Lee Street at other times.

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Henderson Grove Missionary Department

**FLORAL BEARERS**  
Bell-Yeager Floral Club

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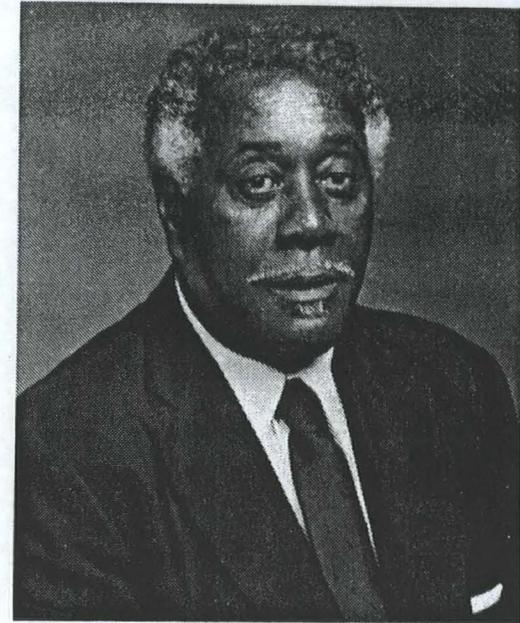
*The family gratefully acknowledges with sincere thanks and appreciation, all prayers, words of encouragement, and each act of kindness that has been shown during the illness and death of our loved one. May God richly bless each of you.*

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**IN LOVING MEMORY**  
*of*



**MR. LEVI SPENCER, JR.**  
May 20, 1922 — July 2, 1995

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**BELL-YEAGER FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
128 East Cornwallis Road  
Durham, North Carolina

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**THURSDAY, JULY 6, 1995**  
1:00 P.M.

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Rev. Dr. David H. Bell, Pastor, Officiating

— OBITUARY —

Levi Spencer, Jr., son of the late Levi, Sr. and Mary Sawyer Spencer, departed this life on Sunday, July 2, 1995 at his residence, 1700 Rosedale Street. Affectionately called "Son", Levi, Jr. was born on May 20, 1922 in Cumberland County. In the early 1920's, he moved with his family to Durham, North Carolina.

Levi, Jr. received his formal education in the public schools of the city. He served in the United States Army during World War II and received an honorable discharge in 1943.

After living in Buffalo, New York for a number of years, "Son" returned to Durham in 1970. He was the owner and operator of Spencer's Cab Company. He was a faithful member of Bell-Yeager Freewill Baptist Church where he served on the usher board.

His survivors include his devoted wife, Roberta Evans Spencer, a son, Harold T. Spencer of Hartford, Connecticut, one grandson, Harold T. Spencer, Jr. of Durham, North Carolina, two granddaughters, Dana Spencer of Durham and Bonnie Spencer of Bronx, New York, three great-grandchildren, Harold T. Spencer, III, Denis Spencer and D'Marcus Spencer, one brother, Raymond Spencer of Durham, North Carolina, four sisters, Winnie S. Herndon, Laura S. Markham, Goldie S. Meares, all of Durham, North Carolina and Vera S. Coker of New York, New York, several nieces, nephews and a host of other relatives and friends.

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*We watched you slowly fade away;  
We tried so hard to make you stay,  
But God was watching from above  
And took you home to share His love.  
God knew that you were suffering,  
The hills were hard to climb,  
So He closed your weary eyelids—  
And whispered, "Peace be Thine."*

*Our hearts still ache with sadness,  
Our eyes shed many tears,  
God only knows how we will miss you  
Throughout the coming years.*

— THE ORDER OF SERVICE —

FAMILY VISITATION — 12 NOON - 1:00 P.M.

MUSICAL PRELUDE..... The Musician

SELECTION ..... The Mixed Choir

SCRIPTURES

The Old Testament  
The New Testament

PRAYER OF COMFORT..... Rev. Gale Holloway, Pastor  
Henderson Grove Baptist Church

SELECTION ..... The Mixed Choir

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

OBITUARY ..... Please read Silently

SOLO..... Mrs. Alberta Watts  
Henderson Grove Baptist Church

EULOGY ..... The Rev. Dr. David H. Bell, Pastor

SELECTION ..... The Mixed Choir

RECESSIONAL ..... Musical Interlude

POSTLUDE ..... The Musician

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Interment  
Glennview Memorial Park  
2515 Apex Highway  
Durham, North Carolina

Drivers in the procession, please turn on headlights for safety.

9/26/04

**STALLARD**

DURHAM - Mrs. Bridget Foley Stallard, 82, of 3007 Pickett Rd., died Saturday at Hillcrest Convalescent Center.



Family visitation will take place at 3:30 p.m. today at Holy Cross Catholic Church, 1400 S. Alston Avenue. Visitation will be

followed by a prayer service and Rosary at 4 p.m. Viewing, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. today at Fisher Funeral Parlor. Final rites will be held at the St. Barnabas Roman Catholic Church in Bronx, N.Y. with burial in the Gate of Heaven Cemetery in Westchester County, N.Y.

She was a native of Ireland and a retired registered nurse.

Survivors include three sons, Patrick John Eric Stallard (Elaine) of Durham, N.C., Thomas Bryan Stallard (Caryle) of Campbell, Calif. and Niall Edwwin Stallard of San Jose, Calif.; seven grandchildren; one great-grandchild.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Holy Cross Outreach Committee. Email condolences to fisherfp@hotmail.com - Fisher Funeral Parlor.