## A Celebration of Life In Loving Memory of Mr. Harold E. Rodgers



Sunríse September 28, 1932

Sunset July 17, 2009

Wednesday, July 22, 2009 1:00 PM

Staunton Memorial C.M.E. Church Pittsboro, North Carolina 27312 Reverend Albert S. Williams Pastor

### ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional

Hymn ...... Staunton Memorial Choir

Scripture

Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Solo "May the Work I've Done" ... Cliff Scurlock

Remarks (please limit to 2 minutes)

Obituary (Read Silently)

Acknowledgements

Solo "Because He Lives" ... Mildred Brooks

Eulogy ...... Rev. Albert S. Williams

Solo ... "I Won't Complain" .... Norris Thomas

Selection ..... Staunton Memorial Choir

Recessional



Interment
Pittsboro Cemetery
Pittsboro, North Carolina

Drivers in procession, please use headlights



Papa is my smile in my cry, the joy through my pain, and the truth through the lie—no matter what I do, I know I can count on you. You were my Rock.

Love you, Papa!

- Aysha

My papa was the best male role model that has ever stepped into my life; he knew the one thing that would always make me smile, and that was just to see him smile. I love you, papa.

- Collin

Pop, thanks for raising me and taking out time with me. Thank you for being my role model. Love you!

- Swan

What I love about Poppa
I could always make him laugh, no matter how bad he
felt. Poppa has been a strong man for as long as I can
remember. Even through his sickness, he remained strong.
I loved him and I am going to miss him.

- Gavin



# In Loving Memory of.....

Giving thanks to God for giving me the opportunity to take care of you.
- Eddye

My father was a man of few words. I remember as a young girl when he told me no there was no changing his mind. He tried to instill in me "my word was my bond". I didn't know at the time how far these words would go. I know now these words are for life.

Thank you, Daddy...

- Your daughter

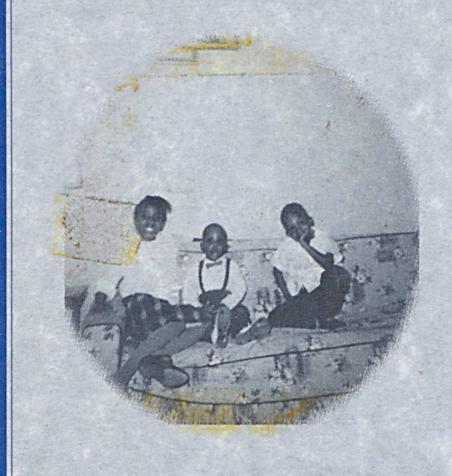
In spite of, in spite of all my faults, my shortcomings, my lying, my not listening, my being disobedient, my costing you money, you still loved me.

Every time I fell, every time I faltered, every time I fainted, you picked me up.

Because you loved me, you never judged me.

Because you loved me, you never gave up on me—which is why I never left or gave up on you.

- Mark



### OBITUARY

Harold Edward Rodgers was born on September 28, 1932, the oldest of three children. He departed this life on July 17, 2009 at UNC Hospitals, Chapel Hill, NC.

He attended Horton High School in Pittsboro, NC.

Harold married Frances Alston on March 26, 1954. From this union, three children were born. Frances (his beloved wife) preceded him in death on July 22, 1985. He was a devoted husband and father to his family.

In 1952, he was drafted into the United States Army. During his three years of service, he earned a National Defense Service Award as well as a Good conduct Medal Award.

Harold was an active and faithful member of Staunton Memorial CME Church where the served the Lord through chairing the Trustee Board and Booking Manager for the Male Chorus until his health failed in November 2007.

Harold was employed by Fort Hamilton Veterans Hospital in Brooklyn, NY for twelve years. After relocating to Pittsboro, he went to work for Allied Chemical Plant in Moncure NC where he developed a close and personal relationship with his co-workers whom he worked with for twenty four years.

He leaves to cherish in memory: two sons, Mark Anthony (Donna) of Pittsboro NC, Eddye Garcia of the home; a daughter, Venessa Dale of Apex, NC; eight grandchildren, Mario, Swanyay, Gavin, Collin, Aysha, Kiera, Tiera and Krystal; a great grandson, Tysen; a brother, Bobby Rodgers of Pittsboro, NC; a sister, Sherlyn Taylor (Larry) of GA; brother-in-law, Lacy Alston (Joanne) of Pittsboro, NC; a sister-in-law, Irene Moses of Detroit. MI; five nieces, Kim, Charlene, Priscilla and Ann; six nephews, Jimmy, Bernard, Ken, Maurice, Larry and Aaron and a host of other relatives and friends.

# Floral Bearers Friends of the Family

#### **Pallbearers**

Earl Beal Roger Quiggle Billy Farley

Gary Garter Donnell Taylor Hubert Matthews



### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

The family would like to say a special "thank you" to the aides who gave their time and energy in the caretaking of our father: Marjorie Byrd, Wilma Robinson, Christine Marsh and Aieda and Cliff Scurlock.

Thank you, Iona Pugh, our dear cousin and friend, for everything you have done for our family.

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