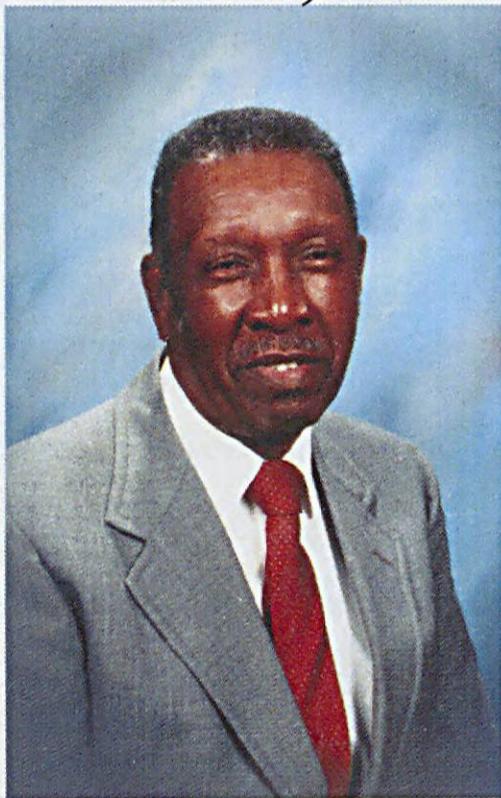


IN LOVING MEMORY  
OF

Mr. Henry Jackson  
Bland, Sr.



Saturday, June 4, 2011

4:00 P.M.

**Mt. Sinai AME Church**

176 Chatham Street  
Pittsboro, North Carolina 27312

Rev. R. Phillip Lynch, Pastor  
Rev. Larry E. Thompson, Eulogist

# Order of Service

Prelude

Processional.....Clergy & Family

Opening Selection.....Mt. Sinai Choir

Solo.....Bro. Henry Hadley

Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. R. Phillip Lynch

Scripture Reading:

OLD TESTAMENT.....Rev. Robert Bland  
Psalm 23

NEW TESTAMENT.....Rev. Robert Bland  
I Thessalonians 4:13-17

Solo.....Bro. Timothy Bland

Reflection.....Satia Akrie

Acknowledgements & Condolences.....Dr. Karla Eanes

Solo.....Bro. Henry Hadley

Eulogy.....Rev. Larry E. Thompson

Recessional.....Clergy & Family

## **Interment**

Pittsboro Cemetery  
Pittsboro, North Carolina

## Daddy

*We will think of you often,  
And always with love.  
We think about how hard you worked  
And how much you did for the family  
We remember the things  
You taught us, and the times  
You encouraged us and how  
Your wisdom and caring has  
Helped shape our lives.  
We look back on favorite  
Memories that remind us  
How much we've always  
Meant to each other and  
Always will. There are  
So many times when we  
Have thought of you and so  
Many times we will continue  
To think of you Daddy, and  
Feel proud, thankful and very  
Lucky that you are our father.*

*We Love You,  
Judy & Jackie*



## A Grandfather's Love

*By Emily Matthews*

A grandfather's love is special for it's a love that's grown  
Through the years of ups and downs with children of his  
own. He understands a grandchild's heart, the dreams and  
wishes there. He turns tears into laughter with his gentle,  
loving care. A grandfather's love is special, unconditional,  
and true. It's a precious joy & blessing to have been able  
to count on you! Thank you Papa for all the things you did  
for us, for the happy moments and special memories that  
we have of you. Thank you  
For a lifetime of love!

*Love,  
Tasha, Satia, Victor, Ashley,  
Quincy, Jay & Mikhail*

# Obituary

*"Precious Lord take my hand, lead me on, let me stand..."*

*~From the hymn, Precious Lord Take My Hand~*

According to God's divine plan, Henry Jackson Bland, Sr. (Jack) earthly life came to an end on Friday, May 27, 2011. He is now peacefully resting with his heavenly Father.

Henry Jackson, as he was fondly called, was born in Pittsboro, NC to the late Jake and Sophia Bland. He was the sixth of nine children, born to this union. He was preceded in death by his loving and devoted wife, Alma Thompson Bland.

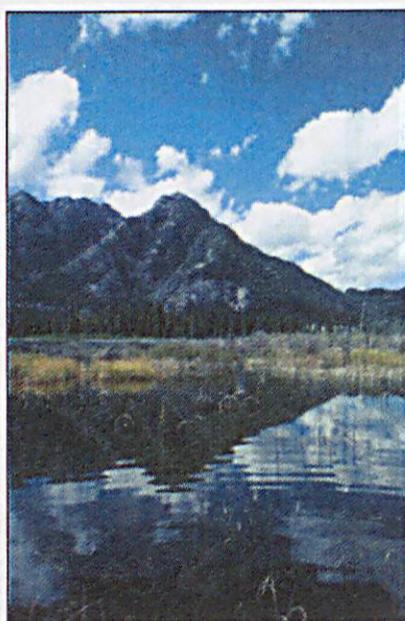
Henry attended Horton High School, and then entered into the Armed Services, where he served his country during World War II.

Upon returning to the states, he worked in Washington, DC and then returned to Pittsboro, where he worked at Horton School and Chatham Mills. Henry retired from Chatham Mills and later worked part-time at North Chatham Elementary School. He found time away from work, enjoying his family and friends and also, gardening; one of his favorite pastimes.

Henry was a very active member of Mt. Sinai AME Church until his health began to fail.

He leaves to cherish his memories: a daughter, Judith Thompson (Larry); a son, Henry Bland, Jr. (Shelia); seven grandchildren, Tasha, Satia, Victor, Ashley, Quincy, Henry III and Mikhail; four great grandchildren, Malachal, Kamya, Harley and Aniyah; two sisters, Lilla B. Turner and Sophia B. Lynn (John) both of Pittsboro, NC; one brother, Jacob Bland of Bronx, NY; several nieces and nephews; two devoted nieces, Shirley Hood and Sydney J. Roberts; also two very devoted friends, Vernon and Helen Brooks.

Henry will be missed by his family, friends and neighbors for his quiet nature, that filled their lives with care, support, love and inspiration.



## Pallbearers

Friends of the Family

## Floral Bearers

Friends of the Family

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**

The family wish to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to them during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!

**THE FAMILY**



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