

Homegoing Celebration
Of
Mr. Bennie Marsh
"Ben"

Sunrise
August 20, 1911

Sunset
March 8, 2005



Jesus said,
"I am the resurrection and life, he that believeth in me though he
were dead, yet shall he live. And whosoever liveth and believeth
in me shall never die.
St. John 11:25-26

Saturday, March 12, 2005
1:30 p.m.

Evans Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church
Siler City, North Carolina

Dr. J.C. White, Officiating

Order of Service

*Prelude

*Processional

*Hymn of Praise

The Scripture Lesson

Old Testament - 27 Psalm

New Testament - II Corinthians 5: 1-7

The Prayer of Comfort.....Dr. J.C. White

Selection..... "Precious Lord".....Zoretta French

Acknowledgments/Resolutions

The Obituary

Selection.....Minister Brenda Foxx

The Eulogy.....Rev. Kenneth Brooks

Selection

*Recessional

*congregation standing

Committal Service.....Evans Chapel AME Zion Church



About Mr. Marsh

Ben grew up on Hickory Mountain with his brothers and sister. His father, the late Jerry Marsh, a share cropper had a vision that his children would be educated, thus he was a founder of Shialo School which Ben attended. Ben is the last of the eight children - his love and care of his father's land will forever be remembered.

Ben was a loving husband and a caring father. His strength and determination was an inspiration to all who knew him. Ben loved the outdoors, working on the land and he was a very loyal and dedicated agriculturalist. Ben was a very observative, friendly and playful - he loved to tease the people he loved.

We realize that death is a necessary end of life but Ben will forever be with us in loving memories as a father, uncle and friend.

A Prayer to Remember

Dear Lord,

I thank you for this day. I thank you for my being able to see and hear. I thank you for being a forgiving God and our understanding God. You have done so much for me and you keep on blessing me.

Lord, forgive me this day for everything I have done, said thought that was not pleasing to you. I ask now for your forgiveness. Lord please keep me safe from all danger and harm. Help me to start this day with a new attitude and plenty of gratitude. Let me make the best of each and everyday. Clear my mind so that I can hear from You. Lord, broaden my mind that I can accept all things. Let me not whine and whimper over things I have no control over. When I am pushed beyond my limits, I know that when I can't pray, You listen to my heart. Lord, please continue to use me to do your will. Continue to bless me that I may be a blessing to others. Keep me strong that I may help the weak...Keep me uplifted that I may have words of encouragement for others. Bless those that are lost and can't find their way, bless those that are misjudged and misunderstood. Lord, please bless those that don't know you and don't believe in you. Thank you Lord that I believe in your power to change people and situations.

Lord, bless all of my loved ones, each family member. I ask you for peace, love and joy in their homes, please meet all their needs. Let them know without any doubt that there is no problem, circumstance. Or situation grater than you, Lord. Every battle is in YOUR HANDS for YOU to fight. God I love you and I need you. Lord I thank you

Obituary

On Tuesday morning, March 8, 2005, Bennie Marsh "Ben", age 93 entered into a peaceful rest at UNC Hospitals, Chapel Hill, NC.

Ben was born in Pittsboro, NC on August 20, 1911 to the late Mary A. Marsh and Jerry Marsh.

Ben attended Evans Chapel AME Zion Church. Ben was united in holy matrimony to the late Lydia Rogers Marsh on July 28, 1932. To this union nine children were born of which two are deceased, Ben Marsh, Jr. and Frank W. Marsh.

He leaves to cherish is loving memory: Nellie Crawford, Washington DC (sister-in-law); Leroy Alston, Durham, NC (brother-in-law); four daughters, Irma L. Marsh, Frances S. Vittoro and Mary L. Marsh all of NY; three sons, Jerry L. Marsh, Joseph Marsh both of New York and Roger Marsh of Spring Lake, NC; three daughters-in-law, Peggy Marsh of Snow Camp, NC, Brenda Marsh of Pittsboro, NC and Malinda A. Marsh of Spring Lake, NC; seven grandchildren, Kathy L. Marsh, of NY, Nimfa C. Vittoro and Carla Vittoro of Raleigh, NC, Rodney L. Marsh and Rinaldo M. Marsh of Pittsboro, NC, Chief Petty Officer Roger T. Marsh, United States Navy, Hampton, VA and Toress A. Marsh of Spring Lake, NC; nine great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild, many nieces and nephews; and a host of relatives and friends.

Floral Bearers

Nieces
Family and Friends

Ball Bearers

Nephew
Friends of the Family

*Sunset and evening star, and one clear call for me!
And may there be no moaning of the bar, when I put out to sea.*

*Twilight and evening bell, and after that the dark!
And may there be no sadness of farewell, when I embark.*

*For though from out our bourne of time and place
The flood may bear me far, I hope to see my pilot face to face
When I have crossed the bar.*

Special thanks to Bobby Rogers, Harold Rogers, George Williams, Charles Marsh, Mamie Johnson, Mexie Marsh, UNC Hospital Staff and several others that was always there for our Father. We Love You!

The Family

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to acknowledge the many kind acts that were extended to them during their time of bereavement. May God richly bless each of you.

