

Pall Bearers

Melvin Holloway, Jr. Aubrey N. Holloway
Maurice Holloway Hermon Holmes
Aubrey L. Williams, Jr. Elbert Holmes
Melvin Brown, Sr. Norvell Holmes
Dr. James Holloway

Flower Bearers

Min. Rhonda Williams Betty Brown Hardnett
Audrey Williams Dorothy Brown Jarrett
Ernestine Holmes Bryant Doris Holmes
Helen M. Brown Hattie L. Watkins
Erma Holmes Hunt

Acknowledgments

The Holloway/Williams/Brown/Holmes and Graves families acknowledge with grateful appreciation your kind deeds, prayers, comfort, care and concern which are shown during the illness and homegoing of our dear loved one. We solicit your continued prayers.



*Celebration of the Life
of
Mrs. Willie Mae Graves Holloway
July 17, 1909 - August 18, 1998*



And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose. Romans 8:28

Saturday, August 22, 1998
4:00 pm

St. John Missionary Baptist Church
Hwy 76
Stanton, TN

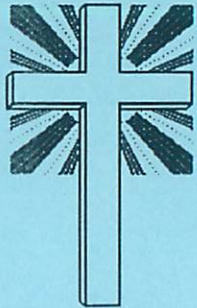
Rev. J. W. Shaw, Pastor

INTERMENT
St. John Missionary Baptist Church
Cemetery

Arrangements Entrusted to
Rawls Funeral Home



The Lord replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." Exodus 33:14 (NIV)



Tribute To My Sister

*I love and will miss you.
Our "girl talks" were always so special.
I will continue your legacy and carry your baton,
Passing it on to the next generation.*

In Jesus' Name

*Love,
Sue*



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"She has done what she could and I tell you this in solemn truth, that wherever the Good News is preached throughout the world, this woman's deeds will be remembered and praised."

*St. Mark 14:89
The Living Bible (paraphrased)*



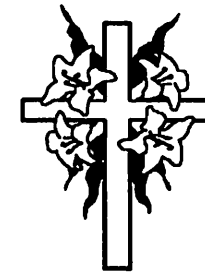
God Is In Control

I see God in everything
Even things we cannot understand.
We know it is impossible
For some things to be done by man.

God has a set time
To come back for His own.
If man knew what's good for him,
He would leave God's business alone.

We get up in the morning
Not knowing what the day may bring.
If it is the day of judgment
Nobody can do a thing.

by Willie M. Holloway



Obituary

On July 17, 1909 a beautiful, bouncing baby girl was born in Stanton, Haywood Co., TN, to the union of the late Mr. and Mrs. Samuel (Sarah Cotrell) Graves. On Tuesday, August 18, 1998, she was summoned home to the her Lord.

The second of five children, an outgoing and articulate child, who received her education in the public schools of Haywood County, TN. Willie Mae gave her heart to Jesus as a young girl and was baptized and began a dedicated life of service to her beloved St. John Missionary Baptist Church. She was a devoted member of the choir, Mothers Board, Missionary Society, Sunday School teacher, church secretary, or wherever her services were needed. Her Christian love and commitment, extended out into her community. She was a secretary of the original Haywood County Civic and Welfare League and she was active in JONAH, Inc.; she traveled extensively throughout the United States to promote the right to vote for *colored* people.

Her continuing quest for learning lead her to successfully complete the OMAT program at Tennessee A & I University, Nashville, TN (1964-1966). Her creativity was reflected in her poetry, which was often shared during special occasions; having left her precious collections to her family.

"Autine", as she was affectionately called by her nieces and nephews, played an integral role in rearing the children of the family, teaching and nurturing them in the ways of God. Possessing a gentle spirit and outgoing personality, she made her home a "spiritual haven" as she welcomed all with open arms, proudly serving her "homemade goodies", especially her "famous egg pies." However, one always heard about "her Lord" in the process.

She was joined in Holy Matrimony for 46 years to the late Mr. Ellis Holloway. Her extraordinary love for children is reflected in the many, many lives she touched. She was preceded in death by three sisters, Hettie, Julia and Virginia. Her precious, loving memories shall always remain alive in the hearts of those whom she touched. She leaves her children, Mrs. Sam Ethel Holloway Williams and Mr. Melvin Holloway, Sr., both of Brownsville, TN; a sister, Mrs. Callie Sue (David) Brown of Stanton, TN; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; one great-great grandchild; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Order of Service

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| Processional | The Family | |
| Selection | "Count On Me" | Choir |
| Scripture | Old Testament Psalms 91:1-2; 11 Rev. Rick Rouse, Pastor Douglas Chapel CME Church * Stanton, TN | |
| | New Testament I Thessalonians 4:13-14 & Rev. 14:13 Minister Paul D. Bryant (Great Nephew) | |
| Prayer | Rev. Samuel Jones, Pastor Prospect #2 Church * Stanton, TN | |
| Solo | "Special" Niece | Sister Thurlese Wilson |
| Acknowledgements and Resolutions | Sister Marjorie Vaulx All Resolutions are to be given to the usher | |
| Solo | Barry Brown, Sr. (Nephew) | |
| Obituary | Read Silently | Soft Music |
| Solo | Sis. Opal Shaw | |
| Reflections: (2 min.) | Minister Bernice Brown Shaw (Niece) Minister Beatrice Taylor (Niece) Rev. Percy Lee, Jr., Pastor Hope of Faith Nondenominational Church Brownsville, TN | |
| The Word | Pastor J. W. Shaw | |
| Invitation to Discipleship | Pastor J. W. Shaw | |
| Recessional | Family and Friends | |

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