

*Celebrating
the Life
of*

Frances B. Dukes

Friday, October 29, 2010 at 11:00 a.m.

Good Shepherd Baptist Church

1714 Olive Road

Augusta, Georgia 30903

706-733-0341

Rev. Dr. Clarence Moore, Pastor

Rev. Nelson C. Dukes, Jr., Eulogist

Obituary

Frances B. Dukes was born on March 26 to Charlotte Fleming and Ike Morris in Louisville, Georgia. She was the youngest of three children born to this union.

Frances graduated from Jefferson County High School and received her Bachelor of Arts Degree from Antioch College. She later received her Master's Degree in Education from Adelphi University.

Frances had three children; William Brown, Tammy A. Taylor and Nelson Christopher Dukes, III. She loved her children dearly and lived her life doing what was best for them.

She had a passion for education. She dedicated her life to educating children. Frances started her career as a Lead Teacher at East Calvary Nursery School (NYC) and taught at Sheltering Arms Day Care Center (NYC) and Children's Circle Day Care Center (Bronx). She then moved on to the New York City Board of Education as an elementary school teacher at P.S. 30 in the Bronx.

Upon her retirement, she moved back home to Georgia where she purchased her first dream home in Hephzibah, Georgia. She later purchased her second home in Evans, Georgia. Frances loved home decorating and it was one of her passions. The Augusta Chronicle recognized her home in a feature article that showed her unique ability to truly turn a house into a home of distinction.

Frances was an active member of Good Shepherd Baptist Church in Augusta, Georgia where she served and participated in the Sunday School Ministry and the Women's Ministry/Greeters. She taught the Children's Church and was a member of the Columbia County Democratic Party.

Frances will always be remembered as a warm and loving person who brought laughter and joy to all of her friends and family. She was there when people needed her and was always willing to lend an ear when someone needed advice or just needed to talk.

She was a loving mother who was devoted to her children and grandchildren. She was also a GREAT friend.

Frances now joins her deceased parents and siblings; Lottie Walden and Lillie Graham. She leaves to cherish her memories: her beloved children, William Brown, Tammy A. Taylor (Ricky) and Nelson Christopher Dukes, III (Tan); her beautiful grandchildren, Ricky Taylor, Jr., Kayla C. Taylor, Morgan C.J. Taylor, Kaley Stocks-Dukes, Christopher J. Dukes and Corrine J. Dukes; her siblings, Carrie Lowery, Ike Morris, Jr., Betty Morris, Relexia Morris and William Terry Morris; her aunts, Gladys Morris, Minnie Lowery and Ella Mae Lowery, all of Louisville, Georgia; two special children who she cared for and was close to her heart, Andrew Little and Makaela Whitley. She also leaves a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and devoted friends.

We love you, miss you and will never ever forget you.

Sorrowfully submitted,
The Family

Order of Service

Officiant Rev. Dr. Clarence Moore
Pastor, Good Shepherd Baptist Church

Processional Ministers and Family

Opening Prayer Rev. Oscar W. Brown
Pastor, Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Edgefield, SC

Scripture

Old Testament Rev. Willis Page, Jr.

New Testament Rev. Daniel Johnson

Selection Good Shepherd Church Choir

Resolutions & Acknowledgements Sis. Roberta Hatcher

Remarks Deacon Amos Richardson
Rev. Michael Thomas
Pastor, Piney Grove Missionary Baptist Church
Rev. Frederick Favors
Pastor, Springfield Baptist Church

Musical Selection "God Will Take Care Of You"
Min. Kellie Turner and Min. Dominique Denman

Eulogy Rev. Nelson C. Dukes, Jr.
Pastor, Fountain Spring Baptist Church

Recessional

Interment
Mount Olive Memorial Gardens
Augusta, Georgia

Repast
Good Shepherd Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

Pall Bearers
Good Shepherd Baptist Church Deacon Ministry

Flower Bearers
Classmates



*Lonely Is
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Without
You*

*Lonely is the home without you,
Life to us is not the same;
All the world would be like Heaven,
If we could have you back again.
A light from our household gone,
A voice we loved is still,
A place is vacant in our home
That never can be filled.
May the God of Love and Mercy,
Care our loved one who is gone,
And bless with consolation,
Those left to carry on.
The happy hours we once enjoyed,
How sweet their memory still
But death has left a vacant place,
This world can never fill.
How dearly we loved you,
And prayed you might live,
But Jesus just beckoned,
And we had to give.
God gave us strength to bear it,
And courage to fight the blow,
What it has meant to lose you,
God alone will ever know.*

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for your kindness during a time of sorrow.

Special Acknowledgement

The family would like to thank Clifford V. James, Vice President of Unity Funeral Chapels in New York City, for the love shown to our family during our time of bereavement. It is greatly appreciated and will never be forgotten.

Funeral Services Entrusted To:

Garrer Funeral Home

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