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Don't spend too much time in mourning, Tears are for the sad; I left to be with Jesus And this should make you glad. Don't waste your hours in grieving, No need to feel distress; I'm tired of life's frustrations And had to get some rest. Don't puzzle yourself with questions Or try to reason why Life here for me was ended, It came my time to die. Don't lose the love I gave you Feed it with your care: Grow it with devotion And spread it everywhere. Don't fret because my leaving Came in such a way; We'll have another meeting In God's eternal day.

-Author unknown

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Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say. Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Opening Hymn

Scripture Reading

Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Acknowledgement / Resolutions

Remarks (2 minutes please)

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

Obituary

On Tuesday, August 6, 2013, God called our beloved **Ida B. Handy** into eternal rest.

Ida Bell Handy was born on February 26, 1939 to the late Lorenzo and Rosa Bell Blackwell in Oxford, NC.

At an early age she joined New Grassy Creek Baptist Church in Oxford, NC where she met the late William B. Handy and they were united in holy matrimony on November 14, 1958. Later they moved to Orange, NJ from this union they had two children, Kurk and Natalie.

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Ida joined Faith Temple Original Freewill Baptist Church under the leadership of Bishop L.N. Forbes, and remained a faithful member for over forty years. She was a member of the Sr. Choir and the Nurse's Unit until the time of her death.

Ida was a hard worker and a loving caregiver for her family. She had a love for cooking, singing and attending church. Ida retired as a Certified Home Health Aide at the age of seventy-three.

She was preceded in death by her son, Kurk, her sister, Julia and four brothers, Lorenzo, Turner, Joel and George.

Ida spent her final hours surrounded by those whose lives she had touched in a special way.

She leaves to cherish loving memories: her daughter, Natalie Handy of the home; four grandchildren, Jannelle Handy, Azizah (Sade) Miller, Nichole Handy and Antoine Porter; four great grandchildren, Makayla, Quayan, Jailynn and Nailah and one expecting great grandson, Kaidyn; one sister, Roxanne Jay, Oxford, NC; five brothers, Charles Blackwell (Virginia), Willow Springs, NC, Robert Blackwell (Arnette) Oxford, NC, Louis Blackwell, Spring City, PA, John Blackwell (Catherine) and Ollie Blackwell (Pamela) of Rahway NJ; six additional sisters-in-law, one brother-in-law, nine godchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends, a devoted friend, Calista Jordan.