After Glow

I’d like the memory of me to be a happy one,
I’d like to leave an afterglow of smiles
When day is done.
I’d like to leave an echo whispering
Softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times
And bright and sunny days,
I’d like the tears of those who grieve,
To dry before the sun
Oh happy memories that I leave behind
When day is done.

Acknowledgements

The family of Sallie McDonald wishes to express their deepest and most sincere thanks to all who shared with them in this time of sorrow. May God bless and keep you in a most gracious way.

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Don’t
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
To Those I Love And Those That Love Me

To those I love and those that love me,
When I am gone, release me, let me go
I have so many things to see and do
You mustn’t tie yourself to me with tears
Be happy that we had so many years.
I gave you my love, you can only guess
How much you gave me in happiness
I thank you for the love you each have shown
But now it’s time I travel alone
So grieve for a while for me if you must
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It’s only for a while that we must part
So bless the memories within your heart
I won’t be far away, for life goes on
So if you need me, call and I will come
Though you can’t see me or touch me, I’ll be near and
if you listen with your heart you’ll hear all my love
around you so soft and clear
And then, when you must come this way alone
I’ll greet you with a smile and say,
“Welcome Home.”

- Author unknown
“Life’s race well run, Life’s battle well fought
Life’s work well done and now, She Rests.”

Sallie Lee McDonald, daughter of the late Beulah and John McDonald was born September 6, 1934 in Dillon, SC and departed this life Friday, September 16, 2011 at Newark Bethel Israel Medical Center.

At an early age, Sallie accepted Christ as her Personal Savior and became a member of Manning Baptist Church in Dillon, SC. She was also a member of Eastern Star for many years.

Sallie worked many jobs, but recently retired as a Food Service Worker for the Newark Board of Education.

Sallie was a very outgoing, lovable woman who loved her family and friends. Her wonderful smile exuded her loving inner spirit and will be missed by all who were blessed to have known her.

In 1960, Sallie relocated to Newark, NJ and joined Greater Harvest Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Charles Banks and sang with the acclaimed “Greater Harvest Back Home Choir.”

Sallie leaves to cherish loving memories: one sister, Georgiana McDonald-Crosland (George) of Irvington; one niece, Linda Lytch-Marshall (Bruce) of Orlando, FL; two nephews, Walter Lytch and Sanford Edwards of Newark; one great niece, Linda Hubbard; one great nephew, KeShawn Bowers, Cousins, and a host of “Special Friends” too numerous to name; one goddaughter, Susan McEachern and the McEachern family of Dillon, SC.