

Footprints

One night I had a dream.

I dreamed I was walking along a beach with the Lord and across the sky flashed scenes from my life. For each scene I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand. One belonged to me, the other to the Lord. When the last scene of my life flashed before me, I looked back at the footprints in the sand. I noticed that many times along the path of my life, there was only one set of footprints. I also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times of my life. This really bothered me and I questioned the Lord about it. "Lord, you said that once I decided to follow You, You would walk with me all the way, but I have noticed that during the most troublesome time in my life there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why in times when I needed You the most, You would leave me." The Lord replied. "My precious, precious child, I love you and I would never, never leave you during your times of trial and suffering. When you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."

FLOWER LADIES

Honorary
Deaconesses Sweet Hope Baptist
Active
Ladies of Men's Progressive Club

PALL BEARERS

Honorary
Deacons
Sweet Hope Baptist

Active
Chester Men's Progressive Club

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Your kind expressions of sympathy will always be remembered by us. We thank our church family, neighbors, those appearing on program and the various organizations for your willingness to serve. The smallest detail, has not gone unnoticed. May He continue to bless each one of you.

The Family

FINAL ARRANGEMENTS ENTRUSTED TO:

Gore's Funeral Home

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"It's not the age of the business, but the professional service rendered."

Homegoing Service
for
Mr. Isaiah "Ike" M.
Chisholm



Wednesday, February 21, 1996

2:00 P.M.

Sweet Hope Baptist Church
Chester, South Carolina

Reverend Joseph Stringfellow
Pastor



IN MEMORY

Death is but a steppingstone
To a beautiful life
we've never known-
A place where God promised
man will be
Eternally happy and safe and free,
A wonderful land where we live anew
When our journey on earth
is over and through.
So trust in God and doubt Him never,
For all who love Him live forever.

Helen Steiner Rice

Order of Service

- Prelude
- Processional
- Hymn - "A Few More Years" Choir
- Scripture
Old Testament . . . Rev. Frazier Feaster
New Testament Pastor Cliff Dye
- Prayer Presiding Elder Carl Glenn

Church - Deacon Trease Feaster
Deacon Board - Deacon David Feaster
Choir - Deacon Curlee Young
Cousin - Mrs. Fannie Garvin
Friend - Rev. Frazier Feaster
Men's Progressive Club - Mr. Jeremire
Bradley
- Selection Gospel Choir
- Acknowledgement . . Mrs. Shirleen O. Gore
- Solo Mrs. Margaret Feaster
- Eulogy Reverend Joseph Stringfellow
- Recessional

INTERMENT

Sweet Hope Baptist Church Cemetery

IN MEMORY

Obituary

"God called unto him... and he said, Here I am."
Exodus 3:4

The Call for Mr. Isaiah "Ike" Melton Chisholm came peacefully on Friday evening, February 16, 1996 at Carolina Medical Center, Charlotte, North Carolina.

Isaiah was the son of the late Michael Chisholm and Mary Etta Davis Chisholm. He was born in Chester County on June 17, 1939.

Being reared in a christian home, he accepted our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ while still a youth. Isaiah dedicated himself to his church, Sweet Hope Baptist, where he served faithfully as a deacon, senior choir member and senior choir treasurer.

He attended the public schools of Chester County. Ike was the owner of Chisholm Auto Body Shop, for many years. He was affiliated with Cephus Lodge #320, Christian Burial Aid Society #4 and Chester Men's Progressive Club.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his beloved wife, Ruby Strotter Chisholm; four sons, Dwight Chisholm, Myrtle Beach, SC, Christopher Chisholm (Stella Chisholm) Columbia, SC, Michael Chisholm (Pearl Chisholm) Charlotte, NC, and Anthony Chisholm, Charlotte, NC; two daughters, Brenda C. Ford (Louis Ford) Charlotte, NC, and Linda Chisholm, Columbia, SC; eleven grandchildren; three brothers, Willie Chisholm, Chester, SC, Robert Lee Chisholm, Pittsburg, PA, and George Chisholm, Converse, Texas; one sister, Ida Moses, Baltimore, MD; four brothers-in-law; thirteen sisters-in-law; nieces, nephews, and a host of special cousins and friends.

FIRST GIVING GOD THE HIGHEST PRAISES TO PASTOR STRINGFELLOW PULPIT GUEST TO OUR BEREAVED FAMILY OFFICERS AND FRIENDS:

AS A MEMBER OF THE CHISHOLM FAMILY I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR LOVE AND RESPECT FOR OUR DEPARTED BROTHER ISASIAH WE CALLED HIM IKE .

IKES FATHER AND MY FATHER WERE BROTHERS AND ONCE LIVED IN THE SAME NEIGHBORHOOD . OUR FAMILIES LOVED AND HELPED ONE ANOTHER.

WHEN IKE AND HIS YOUNGER SISTER AND BROTHERS WERE BORN MY MOTHER SENT ME OR MY SISTER ELLA TO HELP AUNT MARY.ETTA ISASIAH MOTHER WITH THE FAMILY CHORES.

LATER WHEN WE LEFT HOME AUNT MARY ETTA SENT ISIAH TO LIVE WITH OUR PARENTS AND HELP THEM WITH THEIR CHORES. SO WE CLAIMED ISASIAH AS ONE OF OUR BROTHERS.

WHEN IKE WAS GROWING UP SOME VALUES WERE INSTILLED IN HIM THAT HE NEVER DID FORGET. 1. BE TRUSTWORTHY_ YOUR WORD IS YOUR BOND. IKE WAS A DEPENDABLE PERSON. HE ALWAYS TRIED TO KEEP HIS PROMISE. THIS IS A GOOD LESSON THAT MOST YOUNG PEOPLE NEED TO LEARN. YOU MAY NOT HAVE MUCH MONEY. YOUR WORD WILL HELP YOU TO GET MANY THINGS YOU NEED IN LIFE.

2. LEARN TO DO YOUR JOBS WELL. IKE DID BEAUTIFUL WORK. HE WAS A JACK OF MANY TRADES. HE COULD TAKE WHAT WE MIGHT CALL NOTHING AND MAKE SOME VALUABLE THINGS.

I PETER 5:10 SAYS AS EACH ONE HAS RECEIVED A GIFT MINISTER IT ONE TO ANOTHER AS GOOD GODD STEWARDS OF THE MANIFOLD GRAC OF GOD . THE GIFTS THAT GOD BLESSED IKE WITH HE SHARED THEM WITH MANY PEOPLE.

IKE HAS THE FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT WITHIN HIM AS FOUND IN GALATIANS 5: 22 THAT SAYS BUT THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS LOVE, JOY, PEACE , LONG SUFFERING, KINDNESS, GOODNESS , FAITHFULNESS. HE SHARED THIS WITH OTHERS.

LATER IN LIFE IKES OLDER SISTER BECAME ILL AND WAS HOSPITALIZED FOR MANY YEARS , HIS FATHER DIED AND HIS MOTHER BECAME ILL. IKE ASSUMED THE RESPONSIBILITY BEING A FATHER FOR HIS SISTERS AND BROTHERS . HE KEPT IN CONTACT WITH THEM ALL EVEN AFTER THEY LEFT HOME. HE LATER FOUND HIS LOVELY WIFE RUBY AND THEY HAD A FAMILY OF THEIR OWN. HE WAS A GOOD SON AND HONORED HIS PARENTS ; HE WAS A GOOD HUSBAND ,AND A GOOD FATHER FOR HIS CHILDREN. *A Good Brother, Cousin & Friend*

IKE AND I SHARED MANY THINGS TOGETHER . AFTER HIS SISTER, IDA AND HIS BROTHERS MARRIED AND WENT AWAY I TRIED TO HELP HIM TO CHECK ON HIS MOTHER AND SICK SISTER ALONG WITH OTHER GOOD NEIGHBORS.. HE HELPED ME WITH MY CARS OR ANY OTHER ODDTHINGS I NEEDED. IF HE DIDN'T HAVE THEM IN HIS SHOP HE COULD ALWAYS TELL ME WHERE TOT FIND THEM.

WE SHARED WHAT WE RAISED IN OUR GARDENS WITH EACH OTHER. I REMEMBER HE SAVED A WHOLE ROW OF SWEET POTATOES JUST FOR ME.

DURING THE SUMMERS OF 1994 & 1995 THE CHISHOLM FAMILY REUNIONS WERE HELD IN VA. MY HUSBAND WAS UNABLE TO DRIVE IKE AND RUBY DROVE THEIR CAR JUST TO CARRY US TO THE REUNION .

IKE ENJOYED IT SO WELL UNTIL HE WAS LOOKING FOREWARD TO HELPING TO SPONSOR THE REUNION IN CHESTER NEXT TIME. IF LOVE HAD BEEN ABLE TO KEEP IKE ALIVE HE WOULD HAVE BEEN ALIVE TO DAY, HIS LOVELY WIFE RUBY HIS IMMEDIATELY MEMBER OTHER RELATIVES DR, NURSES, CHURCH MEMBERS AND FRIENDS DID WHAT THEY COULD FOR HIM BUT GOD KNOWS BEST

LIKE FOUGHT A GOOD FIGHT AND NOW HE IS AT REST . LET US HOLD ON TO OUR FAITH
AND HOPE WE WILL ALL MEET AGAIN WHEN WE CAN BE WITH GOD FOREVER AND FOREVER. D

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