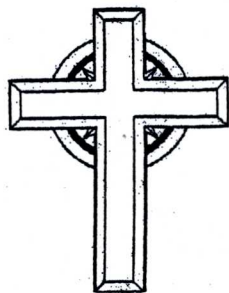


A Celebration of Life

For

Evelyn Harris O'Neal



Friday, September 5, 2003

3:00 p.m.

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church

St. Barnabas Road

Jenkinsville, S. C. 29065

The Rt. Rev'd Dorsey F. Henderson, Bishop

The Rev'd Glenn Gould, Priest in-Charge

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*I looked in the mirror
And what did I see?
My mother's face
Looking back at me
It's not that I mind
The reflection I see,
Of that wonderful woman
Looking back at me.
She gave me her strength
And that courage to cope
To live my own life
To never lose hope
I look again in the mirror
And hope always to see
My mother smiling
Looking back at me!*

-Helen E. VanGlider



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Well done, thou good and faithful servant...enter thou into the joy of thy Lord. Matthew 25:21

A Time To Be Born

Evelyn Harris O'Neal was born in Winnsboro, South Carolina to the late Ruben Boulware and Selena Harris Boulware on June 10.

A Time For Commitment

Evelyn O'Neal accepted Christ as her personal Savior at an early age. As a child, she joined St. Paul Baptist Church in Winnsboro, South Carolina. She joined St. Barnabas Episcopal Church as a young adult. She served on the Mission Council and was a member of the Episcopal Church Women. She was an active member of the Fairfield County Education Association, S. C. Education Association and National Education Association. She served as a member of the Evergreen Chapter # 126 Order of the Eastern Star. Evelyn O'Neal served as an inspiration to her children; instilling life long lessons of honesty, courage, faith and compassion for others.

A Time To Build Up

Evelyn O'Neal received her early education from Fairfield County Schools. She valued her friendship with her high school classmates and always spoke fondly of them. She attended Benedict College in Columbia, S. C. Her love for education led to a life-long career in the Fairfield County School System as an Instructional Assistant.

Evelyn O'Neal served as an Instructional Assistant for over 30 years at Ridgeway and McCrorey Liston Elementary Schools. She enjoyed arriving at school early to assist parents with early drop offs, and she greeted each child with kind words. She shared special bonds with staff members and students.

A Time To Rejoice

Evelyn Harris was united in Holy Matrimony to George O'Neal, Sr. To this marriage, seven children were born: Gaye O'Neal-Harper (Woodie) Tallahassee, Florida; Raye O'Neal-Boyd (Costello) Winnsboro, South Carolina; Cynthia O'Neal-Riley (Lewis) Bronx, New York; Santana O'Neal-Jarboe (Andre') Stone Mountain, Georgia; George Cardoza O'Neal, Jr. (Nina) Niota, Tennessee; Cassandra O'Neal-Horton (David) Lilburn, Georgia and Crystal O'Neal-Mims (Adrian) Quincy, Massachusetts.

She was very proud of her children and she showered them with all of the care and amenities that a good mother, good wife and good provider would. She frequently reminded her children "To never mistreat anyone; To do your best; To get a good education, To respect everybody and To always stick together."

A Time To Die

On Sunday afternoon, August 31, 2003, God surveyed His Heavenly Garden and noted that there was room for our Dear Loved One. He stopped, thought and searched until He reached Evelyn O'Neal's home. He saw that one of His faithful servants was growing tired and weary and said to her, "Come." Evelyn O'Neal obeyed and traded her life for eternal days in Paradise. Her beloved husband, George O'Neal, Sr. preceded her in death.

A Time To Mourn

Evelyn O'Neal leaves an abundance of beautiful memories to a family that will mourn her passing, which includes her son and daughters, nine grandchildren – Erin and Ryan Horton, Andre' and Nicholas Jarboe, Adrian Blair Mims, Jr., Jasmine O'Neal, Andrea M. Riley, and Shayla Davidson; one great grandchild – Endia Davidson. Special acknowledgement to her God Sons – Michael Meletich and Eldrick Sanders.

She also leaves five sisters, Laura Lee, Cantonville, Maryland; Louise White (Moses) Winnsboro, S. C.; Patsy Pearson, Winnsboro, S. C.; Minnie Young, Brooklyn, N. Y. and Mary Thornton, Cantonville, Maryland. She will be missed by a host of sister-in-laws, nieces, nephews and many friends

Order of Service

<i>Burial of the Dead Rite Two</i>	<i>BCP 491</i>
<i>Opening Sentences</i>	
<i>Collect</i>	<i>BCP 493</i>
<i>From the Old Testament</i> <i>Wisdom 3:1-5, 9</i>	
<i>Hymn</i> <i>"O God, Our Help In Ages Past"</i>	<i>Hymnal 680</i>
<i>From the New Testament</i> <i>Revelation 21:2-7</i>	
<i>Psalm 23 (KJV)</i>	<i>BCP 476</i>
<i>The Gospel</i> <i>All Standing</i>	<i>John 14:1-6</i>
<i>Homily</i>	
<i>Prayers</i>	<i>BCP 480</i>
<i>The Great Thanksgiving</i>	<i>BCP 361</i>
<i>The Lord's Prayer</i>	<i>BCP 364</i>
<i>Breaking of the Bread</i>	<i>BCP 364</i>
<i>Communion of the Faithful</i>	
<i>Post Communion Prayer</i>	<i>BCP 498</i>
<i>Commendation</i>	
<i>Hymn</i> <i>"Stand Up Stand Up for JESUS"</i>	<i>Hymnal 561</i>
<i>Process to Cemetery</i>	
<i>Committal</i> <i>St. Barnabas Episcopal Church Cemetery</i>	
<i>Blessing</i>	

Pall Bearers
Nephews and Cousins

Ushers

Members of St. Barnabas Episcopal Church

Thank You

We, the family members of Evelyn Harris O'Neal are grateful to each of you for your prayers, words of encouragement, kind deeds and other expressions of love and care. Thank you for sharing in our time of sorrow and joining in our celebration of the rich and blessed life of our loved one. We pray that God will bless each of you abundantly for your thoughtfulness and generosity.

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