Active Pallbearers

Tabernacle Baptist Church Deacon's Ministry

Honorary Pallbearers

Tabernacle Baptist Church Tuesday Prayer Ministry

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free. I'm following the path God laid for me. I took His hand when I heard him call; I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day, to laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way; I found that place at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, then fill it with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss; oh yes, these things, I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow. I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much; good friends, good times, a loved ones touch. Perhaps my time seems all too brief; don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free.

Acknouledgements

The family of the late Mrs. Claudia H. McCray deeply appreciates the many expressions of love, concern, and kindness shown to us during this time of bereavement. May God bless you and keep you.

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Claudia H. McCray

October 25, 1947 - August 23, 2016

Saturday, August 27, 2016
10:00 A.M.

THE HISTORIC TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH
1223 Laney-Walker Boulevard
Augusta, Georgia

Reverend Dr. Charles E. Goodman, Jr. - Senior Pastor
- Officiating -

Obituary

MRS. CLAUDIA HARRIS MCCRAY, daughter of Preston, Sr. and Leola Rock Harris, was born on October 25, 1947 in Statesboro, Georgia.

Claudia graduated from William James High School and attended Georgia Southern University in Statesboro, Georgia. She was one of the first Black women to integrate both her high school and college. During her working years, she worked in Consumer Banking with Bank of America before retiring in 2002.

On August 23, 1969, Claudia married Mr. Leon McCray and was a devoted wife for 47 years. To this union, three children were born, whom she dearly loved.

Claudia was a devoted member of Tabernacle Baptist Church in Augusta, GA. She was affectionately known as a "Powerhouse Prayer Warrior" and was always willing to pray and intercede for, and with, anyone in need or on her heart. She faithfully served as a member of the Prayer Ministry and regularly attended Prayer Meeting until her health declined.

In retirement, Claudia loved to exercise and loved to participate in indoor cycling to keep her body healthy and strong. Also, she was known for her beautiful smile, compassionate heart, and love of people. She had a sense of humor and talent for making others laugh, even at times when they wanted to cry. Her personality was contagious, infecting everyone around her with her joy and laughter.
During life, Claudia often recited Psalm 118:17 that states, "I shall live and not die, and declare the works of the Lord." She departed this earthly life to move to her heavenly home on August 23, 2016.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Catherine Harris.

Gone from their presence but not from their hearts, Claudia's legacy will continue through: her son, Gregory L. (Vanessa G.) McCray of Hephzibah, GA; daughter, Peri M. (Jemanne L.) Faulks of Landstuhl, Germany; and daughter, Sheena M. McCray, of Grovetown, GA. Grandchildren: Zekia Jackson, Daja Goodman, Carlos Goodman, Jr., Ayden L. Faulks, and Aubrie L. Faulks. Siblings: Preston Harris, Jr., Ernest (Shirley B.) Harris, Timothy Harris, Carl (Ida Lou W.) Harris, Leola Harris, and Marsha Ann (Michael) Williams.

The Order of Service

Reverend Dr. Charles E. Goodman, Jr. - Officiating

Processional

Call to Worship ..... Reverend Dr. Charles E. Goodman, Jr.

Scripture ..... Reverend Dr. Wanda Richardson
Old Testament - Proverbs 4:20-22
New Testament - John 14: 1-4

Prayer of Comfort ..... Minister Nancy Traylor

Selection ..... Tabernacle Music Ministry

Reflections (2 Minutes - Please) ..... Ms. Margaret Taylor, Best Friend
Mr. William Good, Family Friend
Ms. Shirley Godbee, Family Friend
Deacon Gladys Pope, Tabernacle Prayer Ministry

Obituary ..... Read Silently

Acknowledgements ..... Ms. Ashleigh J. Brooker

Selection ..... Mr. Reginal Weaver
"I Know It Was The Blood"

Eulogy ..... Reverend Dr. Charles E Goodman, Jr.

Recessional ..... Tabernacle Music Ministry

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