

HOMEGOING MEMORIAL SERVICE

Georgia Ella Morris

June 10, 1933 – January 12, 2017



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OBITUARY OF GEORGIA ELLA MORRIS

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Georgia Ella Morris was born June 10, 1933 to Albert and Amanda Torian, of Hopkinsville, Kentucky. Georgia was the sixth of eight children.

Preceding her in death was her husband, Donald W. Morris and daughter, Beverly J. Rucker, two brothers, (Albert Torian Jr. and Genie Torian), two sisters, (Josephine Atkins and Mable Torian). She is survived by one sister, Mattie Sue Gregory and two brothers (Joe Lewis Torian, and Ulysses Frazier Torian). Georgia leaves behind 8 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

Georgia Torain and Donald Morris were married on August 2, 1949. Out of that union came six children and one stepson (Warren Oree). She leaves to mourn, her children Patricia Green, Lorraine Lopez, Janice Morris, Gary Morris and Duane Morris.

Georgia was a military wife of 20 years and travelled extensively throughout the United States during their 44 years of marriage. They enjoyed vacationing with the children for summer breaks, having social gatherings with family and friends in the home.

Her hobbies were ceramics, silk floral arranging and gardening. She loved house plants and started a tradition of giving plants to family and friends as gifts. She was on a bowling league with her husband and children for many years.

Georgia joined Advent Evangelical Lutheran Church June 20, 1966 with her husband and children. She became active by serving on the Altar Guild for over 45 years. She also, worked on several other women committees during her tenure at Advent Evangelical Lutheran Church.

After staying home raising her children, she decided to work at Mr. Coffee in 1972, she retired as a factory worker, and worked there for twenty three years.

She was an avid Cav's fan. When LeBron James took his talents to Miami she still stood by him!!! She enjoyed discussing politics and sports. She took pride in voting for the first Black President.

Georgia moved to Florida August 2012, to reside with her daughter Lorraine Lopez, she stayed there four years. On February 28, 2016, she came to visit with Janice Morris in Greenville, SC., unfortunately she fell and broke her hip and ended up staying until her passing.

She was respected by her hospitality, pleasant personality and winning smile.



ORDER OF SERVICE

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10:00 A.M.

Prelude.....

*****Family Processional*****

Officiant Pastor Kimberly Rose (Granddaughter)

Prayer

Old Testament Scripture Kimberly Rose

Musical Selection (“I Feel Like Going On”)..... Rob Crawford

New Testament Scripture Kimberly Rose

Remarks by Family

Remarks by Church Member Advent Evangelical Lutheran

Slide Presentation..... Duane Morris (son)

Acknowledgments Advent Evangelical Lutheran Church

Musical Selection (“Who’s That Baby In The Window?”)..... Duane Morris (son)

Obituary Read Layla Morris (granddaughter)

Eulogy..... Patricia Green and Janice Morris (daughters)

Musical Selection(“It’s So Hard, To Say Goodbye To Yesterday”) Rob Crawford

*****The Creed**..... Congregation

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

PRAYERS

Let us pray, Almighty God, you have knit your chosen people together in one communion, in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Give to your whole Church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace.

Hear us, Lord

Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life and that through the grave and gate of death we may pass with him to our joyful resurrection.

Hear us, Lord

Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that you're Holy Spirit may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days.

Hear us, Lord

Grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind.

Hear us, Lord

Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in your loving care, that casting all their sorrow on you, they may know the consolation of your love.

Hear us, Lord

Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a holy and certain hope and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love.

Hear us, Lord

Help us we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting.

Hear us, Lord

Grant us grace to entrust Georgia Morris to your never-failing love which sustained her in this life. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, and remember her according to the favor you bear for your people.

Hear us, Lord

God of all grace, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give you thanks because by his death Jesus destroyed the power of death and by his resurrection has opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Make us certain that because he lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come shall be able to separate us from your love which is in Christ Jesus our Lord, who believes and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

*******Flower Carriers (Davida Gregory, Shauna Gregory, and Rosilyn Hightower)**

***Dinner will be served to the *immediate family only* following the service in the main Fellowship Hall. Refreshments will be served to anyone who wishes to participate.

The Repast will be at Duane Morris' house. Please see Kimberly Rose for directions.

On behalf of the Morris Family thank you for your support, your prayers and your well wishes in this time of bereavement. We appreciate everything each and every one has done.

SWEET PEAS BLOOMED IN TOBACCO FIELDS

Written and submitted by:

Patricia A. Green

*Scents of wild honeysuckle split the air there.
Where lush greens twined on chicken wire vines,
to fence the earth below.*

*Tall rows of hollyhock stalks
Swayed in summer breeze,
Doting pink and white buds –
A safe haven for the birds and the bees.*

*A mocking bird echoed in the distant wind,
His territory was found.*

*A woodpecker worked on the old elm tree,
With rhythmic carpenter sound.*

*The road would meet a crooked stream;
Where catfish danced among the lily pads.
Where healing waters cooled those
Who worked the land.*

*Christian black folks were baptized there
In Hopkinsville, Kentucky.
So were white folks then,
If they were lucky.*

*Fresh fish, eggs and ham.
Buttermilk biscuits,
Strawberry jam.*

*Cinnamon colored Aunt Mable,
Would graciously set our table.*

*Home was mad in a shot-gun frame.
Built to breath the distant rain.
So, I could see beyond the horizon...*

*And it ain't no surprisin,
That sweet peas bloomed in tobacco fields.*



It's So Hard, To Say Goodbye To Yesterday

How do I say goodbye to what we had?
The good times that made us laugh
Outweigh the bad

I thought, we'd get to see forever
But forever's gone away
It's so hard to say goodbye to yesterday

I don't know where this road is going to lead
All I know is where we've been
And what we've been through

If we get to see tomorrow

I hope, it's worth all the wait
It's so hard to say goodbye to yesterday

And I'll take with me the memories
To be my sunshine after the rain
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