



Leola M. Oneal

August 6, 1912 - March 9, 2005

On Wednesday, March 9, 2005, Mrs. Leola Mae O'Neal was called home to be with the Lord. Sister Leola Mae O'Neal, daughter of the late Nathaniel and Leona Baker was born on August 6, 1912 in Johnston County, North Carolina. She attended and graduated from Primary School in Johnston County and Richard B. Harris High School in Selma, North Carolina. She also attended Shaw University in Raleigh, North Carolina. Sis. O'Neal began her Christian journey at an early age at Springhill Baptist Church in Smithfield/Selma, North Carolina. In 1942, she moved to Baltimore, Maryland. The late Rev. James R. Grant united her in Holy Matrimony to Rev. James O'Neal on July 18, 1942. From this union they were blessed with a son, Kelvin James O'Neal. Because of their love for children, they raised Kenneth Green, Delphine Lewis, Towanda McCoy, Larry McCoy and Anthony Murphy. Sis. O'Neal was a domestic engineer and a housewife. Also in 1942, she became a faithful member of the Southern Baptist Church, where she was a member of the Ministers' Wives and Widows, Senior Missionaries, Civic Committee, Pastor's Aide, Seasoned Saints (senior citizens) and Advisor to the Junior Missionary Choir. She was a member of the Women's Auxiliary of the UBMC, Maryland Association of Ministers' Wives and Widows, Interdenominational of Ministers' Wives and Widows, The National Association of Ministers Wives, United Baptist Missionary Convention, Lott Carey Convention, Baptist Congress of Christian Education and the Eastside Committee. She was a lifetime member of the NAACP. Sis. O'Neal truly loved the Lord and her church family. Sis. O'

Neal was known for her jazzy hats and clothes. She could always be found shopping at Lexington Lady downtown. She also loved to talk on the telephone. She would frequently be seen talking on the telephone for 2 to 3 hours to the late Sister Essie Lowry and the late Sister Lola Grant and many of her other family members and friends. She leaves to cherish her memory and her legacy: her husband of 62 years, Rev. James O'Neal; four sons, Kelvin O'Neal, Kenneth Green, Larry McCoy, and Anthony Murphy; two daughters, Towanda McCoy and Delphine Lewis; two daughters-in-law, Pamela O'Neal and Sheila Richardson-Green; two sisters, Winne Richardson of Zebulan, N.C. and Annie Estell High of Wendell, N.C.; fourteen grandchildren, Lisa, Kevin, Kristan, Jillan, Manissa, Lakia, Kevon, James, Shawn, Nia, Jaquenette, Latasha, Jonathan, and Jermaine; five great grand children; Debris; Jordon, her Southern Baptist Church family and a large host of nieces, nephews, cousins and other family members and loving friends.

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“ *Leola M. Oneal*

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“ *Please accept my deepest sympathy to you on your loss. The pain, the grief and the feelings of helplessness can seem unbearable. At such time, we can go to God's word for comfort (2 Cor. 1:34. The Bible helps us to understand how Almighty God and Jesus feels about death.##imported-begin##Mildred##imported-end##*

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“ *dear family and friends of Leola. I am very sorry to hear about the death of your loved one. Death is not something that is normal. In the bible at Rev 21:4 it tells of a time when death will be no more. I am sure that everyone looks forward to that time.##imported-begin##A. Jones##imported-end##*

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“ My deepest sympathy during your time of sorrow but know that the God of comfort is with you all during this time of tribulation. (2Corinthian 1:3-4) Due to the many unforeseen occurrences that brings tragedy to our lives Jehovah God promises one day soon Death will be no more (Rev 21:3-4) and his son have been given the authority to bring all those in the memorial tombs back to life. John 5:28-29 Just think there will come a time not only will death be no more but Jehovah promises that no one will have to say I'm sick according to Isaiah 33:24. I feel the need to express these words of hope because so many of us today treasure the gift of life and we do all we can to maintain it to hold on to it. That is why it hurts so badly when our loved ones die. With so many of us desiring life today no matter how good or bad it is we still want life here on earth. No one looks forward to that time of death. That is why I am under obligation by the spirit and love of God to share that hope that is in our near future that the righteous shall inherit the earth and reside upon it forever according to Psalms 37: 29 along with the above stated promises on a paradise and peaceful earth. We all can hold true to this everlasting promise because Isaiah 55:11 states all the words Jehovah have spoken WILL NOT RETURN WITHOUT RESULTS. What a wonderful prospect for our future especially enlight of the fact that Hebrews 6:18 States of God, it is IMPOSSIBLE for him to lie.##imported-begin##Carter##imported-end##

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“ I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your loved one. I am only 12 years old, but I can remember the sadness I had when I lost my best friend. If you draw closer to the Almighty God Jehovah by reading the bible and praying to him he can help you to cope with your loss. Revelation 21:4 says....And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore the former things have past away. So you see in the very near future all these things will be put to an end. I hope this scripture will comfort you the way it has comforted me.##imported-begin##Bria Norton##imported-end##

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“ Dear Family, I would like to expreaa my sincere condolences to you for your great loss. If I may share some words of comfort, they would be in the way of the holy writings found in God's word. At Isaiah 26:19, we're told, "Your dead ones will live. A corpse of mine-they will rise up. Awake and cry out joyfully, you residents in the dust!..." This is just one of many promises Almighty God, Jehovah has promised concerning those death has taken from us. Please find comfort in knowing that soon, your loved one will be resurrected back to life. You may draw comfort through other scriptures such as Isaiah 25:8, Revelation 21:4, and John 5:28,29.##imported-begin##Denise Dukes##imported-end##

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“ I would like to extend my heart felt sympathy to the family of Ms. Oneal. In your time of grief I hope you find comfort in the scriptures. One encouraging scripture is 2 Corinthians 1:3,4 which says that God comforts us during times of tribulation.##imported-begin##Anitria Bullock##imported-end##

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“ To the family of Leola M. Oneal, my deepest condolences on the lost of your loved one. I know how comforting God's word can be at a time like this. At John 5:28-29, God's word assures us that those who have died will have an opportunity to be resurrected right here on the earth. This is a sure promise for at Hebrews 6:18, it tells us that it is impossible for God to lie. I hope that you along with your family find comfort in these scriptures.##imported-begin##Albert Washington##imported-end##

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“ Hello Family & Friends, I am so sorry to hear of your loss and I am offering my condolences. The scriptures can be of great comfort to us all. I am reminded of the scripture at Isaiah 25:8,9 where God says that he will swallow up death forever and he will wipe the tears from all faces. May you be comforted by this scripture.##imported-begin##Sophia Briscoe##imported-end##

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