



## Mary Theresa Blake

February 18, 1934 - July 9, 2006

Our family has always believed that God has a bigger purpose than we can know or can see. For this reason, when God called our mother, sister, grandmother, aunt, and friend home on Sunday, July 9, 2006, we knew in our hearts that He had a higher calling for her. MARY THERESA (MAY T.) ROANE BLAKE, wife of the late Woodrow Wilson (Bert) Blake and the daughter of Mrs. Fannie Roane and late Thomas Croxton (Plunks) Roane, was born on February 18, 1934 in King William County, Virginia. She is preceded in death by her daughter, Audrey A. Collins; a sister, Ruth E. Howell. She was educated in King William County Public Schools. She spent most of her years caring for others in the community. Mt. Olive Baptist Church, King William, Virginia was the place where she first accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Savior at an early age. She served in many capacities such as singing in the Senior Choir, Gospel Chorus, and work as a missionary in the community. Her missionary work included having a passion for helping the elderly by sitting with them and making quilts for them as well. She served as a surrogate mother to those who had experienced the loss of a parent. May T. enjoyed wearing her fancy hats and watching her soap operas daily. Everyday she sat on the sofa (and did not move) and watched All My Children, One Life to Live, and General Hospital. In fact, many of her children and grandchildren watched these same shows daily because of the passion she had for them and for being made to watch them as well. She is also known for her strong knowledge of the family tree. Often, she would receive calls from the BBQR

(our family reunion) Committee wanting to know more about our family's history. Mary Theresa married the late Woodrow Wilson (Bert) Blake. To cherish her memory, there remains five sons, Alvin (Robin) Roane of Glen Allen, Harold Blake, Anthony Blake, Wayne Blake, and Marvin Blake, all from King William; five daughters, Ruth (Jerome) Garlick of King William, Paula Blake of New Castle, DE, Jacqueline (Benjamin F. III) Moore of King William, Carolyn Blake of King William, and Cheryle Blake of Bronx, NY; four devoted grandchildren, Tanya Roane, Jermaine Moore, Courtney Blake, and Renita Reed; four great-grandchildren; devoted mother, Fannie A. Roane of King William; devoted sister, Iris (David) Craighead of New Castle, DE; devoted brother, James (Delores) Roane of Wilmington, DE; devoted cousin, Dorothy Mae Roane who sat with her daily along with other devoted cousins; one aunt, Lou Anna Gaines; son-in-law, David Collins; three sisters-in-law, two foster sisters-in-law; one brother-in-law; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends, amongst them two devoted friends, Joyce Moore, and Elizabeth Claiborne.

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“ *Mary Theresa Blake*

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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Paula, Iris and Family: I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your mother and sister. May God strengthen you to endure.##imported-begin##Rev. Emma Corbin##imported-end##*

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“ *Iris; My prayer's are with the family Hyla Wright##imported-begin##Hyla Wright##imported-end##*

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“ *My prayer's are with the Family;It has been a year for our BBQR family; May God keep you and give you the strength to handle it all! I know how you feel right now;but God is only a phone call away. Peace be with you! Sorry I could not be there! Rev. Melissa M. Bordley##imported-begin##Rev. Melissa M. Bordley##imported-end##*

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“ Aunt Iris, Paula, Glenda, Carmen and Family. Our deepest sympathy is extended to you during your loss. Stay encouraged and lean on GOD's everlasting arm as your rock and comforter. He knows what you are going through and he will take you through it. Lovingly, the Gosa Family###imported-begin###Karen Gosa Liggians###imported-end##

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“ Cheryl and Carolyn, I just wanted to say how sorry I am about the passing of your mother. I remember Miss Mary T, having a strong voice and she loved to sing God's songs. Now she can sing in that heavenly choir. God bless you all and I will keep you and the rest of the family in my prayers. Juanita###imported-begin###Juanita Fautleroy Johnson###imported-end##

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“ Glenda, You are blessed with special memories with your aunt. What a blessing... praise God that you will see her again. I pray for strength for you and your family at this time. Lots of love from your friend and sister in Christ Jesus... Bonnie###imported-begin###Bonnie Kirby###imported-end##

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“ Iris, Paula and family You are in our prayers and thoughts. May God's love and mercy sustain you during this difficult period Love, Annie, Tonja, Brenda and Al###imported-begin###Annie W. Wigfall###imported-end##

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“ Dear Iris and family: My thoughts and prayers are with you. May Jehovah Shalom comfort you. I don't presume to know how you are feeling, but I sorrow in your trial.##imported-begin##Elaine Smith##imported-end##

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“ Iris and Paula and Family: My love and prayers go out to you and your family. I pray your strength in the Lord right now and know that he is able no matter what you are facing at this moment. Love, Glenda & Family##imported-begin##Glenda Brewington & Family##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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“ Please accept my sincere condolences for your loss. I too have lost loved ones in death. Even though we know that death is inevitable, it is still difficult to accept. Death was not something that God intended for us. The thought of death is always distasteful and it always will be because Jehovah God has created within us the keen desire to live forever. We never get used to it. We feel deep down in our hearts that this should not happen because, “Even time indefinite he (God) has put in their heart,” says Ecclesiastes 3:11. One of the wonderful parts of his plan is the hope of the resurrection of dead loved ones. (John 5:25, 28, 29). Please be assured that Jehovah God loves us and wants the best for us. Take comfort in the promise that he has given us at Rev. 21: 3-5 of a new earth where there will be no more death.##imported-begin##Senita Swann##imported-end##

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“ Dear Family, As we go through all our trials and tribulations, remember that GOD has a plan for all of us. We must be strong and continue to pray. To Ant May T, we will miss you and we love you. You are in the perfect place. Please kiss mommom for me and tell her I love her.##imported-begin##Niece, Braunte' (Ruth's Oldest Grandbaby)##imported-end##

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“ To God be the Glory for the great things he has done. We truly thank God for the time that he gave Cousin May T. to us for us to enjoy her presence. May all the family be blessed.##imported-begin##Calvin & Dee McRae##imported-end##

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“ To the Blake, Roane and Craighead families....I pray that each of you know that I was there in spirit with during the passing of your Mom, daughter and sister. God's love never fails and I know that God's love has enabled you to celebrate her completing her race and living a life of giving and sacrificing for family and others. Always remember how much she loved each of you!! Be strengthened in the Lord Jesus Christ.##imported-begin##Phyllis Y. Joyner##imported-end##

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“ To 'the Family' - We must continue to look towards the hills whereas cometh our help - our help cometh from the Lord. We are all feeling the loss and miss her already. We are blessed with so many cherished memories. My prayer is that we continue to pray and stay together. Rest in peace my auntie 'til we meet again.##imported-begin##Niece, Glenda##imported-end##

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“ Aunt Iris,Paula and to the rest of the family, I loved Aunt May T from the very first time I met her and she welcomed me into her home. You are my family and you're always in my prayers May God give you the strenth you need at this time. Sincerely, Wanda##imported-begin##Wanda Rucker-Green##imported-end##

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“ Please accept my condolences for the loss of your loved one. First Corinthians 15:26 assures us that "enemy death" will one day be destroyed. There is hope for our loved ones who have fallen asleep in death. John 5:28,29 says- "Do not marvel at this, because the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out". May you receive much comfort and strength as you reflect on this wonderful hope from the Bible.##imported-begin##Sharon Hill##imported-end##

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“ To Our First Cousins and Grannie Fannie Roane: Our heart breaks as we extend our deepest regrets and condolences. I had just spoken to Aunt May T last week she sounded wonderful and I told her we would be down in August. God directed that phone call as he has directed all the moments, seconds and the hours of our past and present. Please know that All things work together for the good for those that love the Lord. I know during HOMECOMING we will have great Aunt May T stories/memories to share. Love to you all Valerie, Lance and the Supremes!##imported-begin##Valerie and Lance Turner##imported-end##

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“ I am very sad to hear about the lost in the family. You are in my prayers##imported-begin##Brenda Craighead##imported-end##

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“ Our condolences go out to our Friend and Sister in Christ, Iris Craighead and the family during your loss. May you be comforted by the Lord and be assured He will be there during this time of need. Love, Hillard and Robbin##imported-begin##Hillard and Robbin Lee##imported-end##

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