



Purcell Thomas Bates

November 23, 1918 - November 6, 2003

Purcell T. Bates, son of the late Gilmore and Lucy Bates, was born on November 23, 1918 in Richmond, Virginia. He departed this life on November 6, 2003 after a lengthy illness. He received his education in Richmond, Virginia. C.J. Langenfelder employed him until he retired. Purcell and Virginia Dennis of Shady Side, Maryland and from this union reared five children, Rose, Alphonso, Herman, Margaret and Stevie. Purcell was a longtime member of Gillis Memorial Church. He loved family gatherings and sports. He leaves to mourn: his wife, Virginia Bates; two daughters, Rose Chavis and Margaret West; three sons, Alphonso, Herman, and Stevie; two brothers and two sisters; two sons-in-law, Bobby Chavis and Reginald West; one daughter-in-law, Alice Bates; four brothers-in-law, six sisters-in-law, a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, one great-great granddaughter, and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

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“ Though during your time of grief it may not seem possible but there is always light at the end of every tunnel especially when someone dear has been separated from us due to death. Death in this present day is not something we want as a part of life’s cycle. Our heavenly father Jehovah God wants you to know that. He wants all people to know he is aware of all our suffering and losses due to our enemy Satan and he will soon rectify because this is not the way he purpose life to be. 1John 4:8 lets us know God is Love so out of his love for us he made a provision that only the true and Almighty God can do. Jehovah have promise according to Rev 21:3,4 that death one day will be no more... the things that causes pain and mourning will be no more. As for those we have lost to death, John 5: 28, 29 states those in the memorial tombs will hear God’s sons voice, Jesus Christ and will awaken from an eternal sleep that have been made a temporary state now due to the ransom sacrifice of Jesus Christ. How wonderful the day when you will be able to enjoy your once lost loved one to death. Yes Jehovah promises us the gift of everlasting life according to Titus 1:2. The righteous ones will reside on earth forever as he informs us at Psalms 37:29 because that have always been his purpose since the beginning of mans creation again stated at Titus 1:2. You can have trust in this promised hope because Isaiah 55: 11 states of Jehovah his words will not return to him without results. Yes trust in God’s word the bible because Hebrews 6:18 says it is impossible for God to lie. My prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Carter##imported-end##

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“ To the Family: Please accept my deepest sympathy. May you all find comfort from Jehovah God the Father of tender mercies and the God of comfort..”, who promises that soon there will be a resurrection of those who went asleep in death. 2 Corinthians 1:3,4 and John 5:28,29.##imported-begin##gbowers##imported-end##

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“ My condolences to the family. Our family receives much comfort from God's word. Daniel 12:13 says- "And as for you yourself, go toward the end; and you will rest, but you will stand up for your lot at the end of the days." So here God's words informs us of a resurrection for our loved ones in God's new world. We hope this comforts you as it has us in times of grief.##imported-begin##Sharon Hill##imported-end##

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