



Queen Esther Winters

July 7, 1920 - March 24, 2003

It was on July 7, 1920 that Queen Esther Winters transitioned into the World. Actually it began nine months earlier, but this was the day of her “coming out”. Born to the late Roy and Annie Bass in Nash County, North Carolina, she was the oldest of three girls and affectionately known as “Boot” to family and old friends. Queen’s family moved to Garner, NC when she was very young. It was there that she received her education, experienced the adventures of childhood, and met and married her childhood sweetheart, the late Howard S. Winters, on September 27, 1938. The young couple moved to Baltimore in the early forties where they established a home and raised their children. There were certain contradictions about Queen. She was soft-spoken, yet strong-willed, feisty and a fighter in every sense of the word. She had a warm smile that set others at ease and eyes that pierced the soul. Her beautiful hair drew attention wherever she went. Next to God, her family was the center of her life and she embraced her purpose with passion and compassion-leaving a legacy of love, hope and charity. She reached out to people and people were drawn to her. She had a special love for children and young people. The children in her neighborhood often stopped by to say hello and to snuggle up to her. Queen had the rare gifts of patience and listening. Not only did she listen, but she listened without prejudice or judgment. Family members, friends and strangers often found themselves confiding in her-even when they didn’t intend to. She was a worker and a planner-a woman of few words with a ready hand. She had an open door to family, friends and strangers alike and

on many occasions provided a home to those in need. Queen was blessed because she was a giver. She loved to “treat” others and was the person many turned to when in need. She was also a woman of great wisdom and extremely loyal. Queen Esther Winters spent 82 years on her life’s journey. So needless to say she did a lot of things, saw a lot of things and met a lot of people along the way. She lived life, which means that she experienced both the joy and the pains of life. But the most incredible blessing, the thing we can only pray for in our own lives, is that she left this life having no regrets and no unfinished business. She remains in our presence in a different form. Just as she has passed on to an eternal life, her essence remains in who we are today because God chose to put her in our life for a season and a reason. She touched hearts and shaped lives without any pretense, but by far her greatest gift to us all is that she loved us unconditionally. Bless God and Praise His Holy Name! She leaves five generations: her sisters, Ida Mae Adams and Margaret E. Coleman, both of Garner, NC; her daughters, Sondra Ann Hamlin of Garner, NC, and Esther M. Steptoe, Annie M. Norris and Helen M. Grier of Baltimore, MD; ten grandchildren, twelve great-grandchildren and four great great-grandchildren. Her only son, Robert S. Winters, predeceased her.

Tribute Wall



“ *Queen Esther Winters*

March 25, 2023 at 10:25 AM



“ *Queen Esther Winters*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Please accept our heartfelt sympathy in your time of great sorrow. Only those who have lost a loved one can know the depths of your feelings. We hope our caring will make your sorrow easier to bear.##imported-begin##The March Family and Staff##imported-end##*

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“ *Dear Esther and Family, Our prayers and love surround you. You have such a wonderful Mother who will continue to Mother you from heaven. It is the nature of a Mother to attend to her Children- no matter how old or how far. She looked so beautiful, a woman of character, strength and virtue. You were blest to have her for so long. Hold on to God's unchanging hand and be assured of our prayers and support. Love, Therese, Maria and Judy.##imported-begin##Therese Favors, Maria King, Judy Ringgold##imported-end##*

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“ *Esther, you and your family are in my prayers. It appears that your Mother had a beautiful life.##imported-begin##RETA BREWER##imported-end##*

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“ *Dear Esther, Helen, Annie and the family, my prayers and sympathy are with at this time of sorrow. I must say that I can attest to the most wonderful words in the obituary of your mother as I indeed enjoyed every moment that I spent with her. She surely was a most pleasant woman and seemed to sparkle whenever I stopped by to talk with her. Never anything negative and you always felt good when you left because she presented a good vibe. I have always felt blessed to know your mother and your family and rest assured she is now in the Lord's hand. Love and Peace, Always a Friend of the Family, Thomas Wilson & Family.##imported-begin##Thomas Wilson##imported-end##*

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“ *To the Family of Esther Winters: I would like to express my sincere condolences to the family and friends. May you find comfort in the words of our Lord and Savior found at John 5: 28 & 29. There the Lord Jesus Christ promise that there will be a "resurrection". I pray that you rely on our Heavenly Father, for strength to cope with your loss.##imported-begin##Denise King##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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“ to the family and friends of queen esther winters i write just as a reminder of the comforting thoughts my fellow friends have sent. there is a hope for you to see you dear, dear loved one again. the bible promises that there will be a paradise earth in which to welcome mrs. winters back to life in perfect health and under perfect peaceful conditions. this is a promise from God's word the Bible. but there are requirements from God for us if we would like to be present when these things come about. I'll leave you with a couple of scriptures to read to confirm these promises from God in which He says He "....can't lie. if after reading these you decide that you would like to learn more, please contact me at my e-mail address: kic2@verizon.net: Revelation 21:3,4, John 5:28,29, Psalms 37:9-11, Psalms 72:12-14,16##imported-begin##kathy commander##imported-end##

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