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Acknowledgements
The Family of the late Lauretta M. Anderson wishes to thank all for their acts of kindness during Lauretta's illness, and for the continued words of encouragement during our time of sorrow.

Pallbearers
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N'Tare Gault
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Jerry Richardson

The Start of a Journey
(A Tribute to Lauretta Anderson)
by N'Tare Ali Gault

Let the drum beat slowly,
Let the organ play lowly,
And let the choir hum softly,
For today, the Angels have called on one of their own:
Let the workers in the vineyard pause for a moment
Of silence,
Let the winds calm,
Let the doves fly a little higher,
Let the clouds open,
And let the sunshine fall upon her face
As her spirit ascends to the Mighty Throne.
Let us cheer the weary traveler,
Let us watch the storm pass over,
And let us celebrate the newest ancestor,
Because there is now nothing between
Her and her Savior.
Let us take a moment to weep,
But then rise up and rejoice!
For Mary and Martha are ringing the bells
The drum is beating slowly,
The organ is playing lowly,
The choir is singing softly,
BUT the trumpet is blowing Victoriously!
For today, the Angels have called on one of their own!

A Service of Worship
And Celebration for the Life of...

LAURETTA M. ANDERSON

Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church
641 Masten Avenue
Buffalo, New York 14208
Rev. Dr. James S. Webb Jr.
Pastor

Tuesday, December 12, 1997
11:00 a.m.
Order of Service

Organ Prelude

Solemn Processional

Hymn - "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" ................................ UMH #526

Invocation

The Lord's Prayer

The Lessons From the Holy Scripture .......................... Rev. John Gibson, Pastor

Old Testament .............................................. Psalm 27
New Testament ............................................ I Corinthians 13

Hymn - "It Is Well with My Soul" ....................................... UMH #377

The Pastoral Prayer of Intercession ............................... Rev. Dr. James S. Webb Jr.

The Response .................................................. "Oh Lord Be Near Us"

Selection ......................................................... Emma J. Horner Chorale & Senior Choir

Words of Comfort ............................................. Rev. Thompson, Pastor

Selection ......................................................... Emma J. Horner Chorale & Senior Choir

Acknowledgements, Cards and Condolences .................... Rev. Dr. James S. Webb Jr.

Obituary ............................................................... (To be read silently)

Selection ......................................................... Senior Choir

Eulogy ............................................................... Rev. Walter C. Barton Jr.

Senior Pastor
Grace; St. Albans U.M. Church
Queens, N.Y.

Recessional Hymn – "For all the Saints" .......................... UMH #711

Obituary

Lauretta Maybelle Anderson, 80 of Buffalo, a well-known soprano soloist and choir director, departed this life Friday, December 12, 1997 in Buffalo General Hospital after a brief illness.

Born in Philadelphia, P.A., she came to Buffalo in 1929 with her aunt and uncle, the late Emma J. and Rev. William H. Horner, who was appointed pastor of Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church. Lauretta was the granddaughter of the late Rev. Charles A. Tindley, the author of such famous hymns as "Nothing Between", "We'll Understand It Better By and By", and countless other well-known hymns.

She was encouraged to join the church choir under the direction of her aunt, often performing as the soprano soloist. Lauretta was active in many church groups.

In the 1930's, she became a member and frequent soloist in the Buffalo Urban League's Clef Choral Club, appearing at Shea's Buffalo Theater for a week's special engagement.

She served as the youth choir director at Lincoln Memorial church. In 1965, she became the director of the church's Senior Choir, a position she held for many years.

She often was asked to sing at weddings, funerals, church programs and pageants such as "Birth of the Spirituals" and a local production of "Porgy and Bess". Most recently, she directed Lincoln Memorial Church's Emma J. Horner Chorale.

Mrs. Anderson was a retired Navy employee. She was the widow of the late Fred W. Anderson to whom she was married for over 50 years.

She leaves to mourn her passing a sister-in-law, Theresa Evans of Buffalo; two nieces Gwendolyn Greene of Buffalo, and Theresa Greene Reed, Md. of Rockville Maryland. She is also survived by Goddaughters, Myra Harrison of Davidson, North Carolina, and Rene Petties-Jones of Buffalo.

Services provided by
Richard Meadows Jr. Funeral Chapel

Interment
Mount Calvary Cemetery
Pine Ridge Road
Cheektowaga, N.Y.