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Celebration of Life
for

Mrs Blanche Nelson

Sunrise
February 23, 1905

Sunset
April 14, 2008



Saturday, April 19, 2008
Family Visitation: 10:00 am
Celebration: 11:00 am

LINCOLN MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
641 Masten Avenue
Buffalo, New York 14209

Reverend Patricia L. Brown, Pastor

Obituary

On Monday, April 14, 2008, Blanche Nelson being summoned by God to surrendered to the will of God left this world and life she began in Raleigh, North Carolina on February 23, 1905. Blanche was the middle child of five children born to the late Mr. Ralph and Mrs. Anna Adams. On June 23, 1927 she married Charles L. Nelson and made their home in Buffalo, NY.

Soon after relocating to Buffalo, Blanche meet the Houses family who encouraged her to join the church that would be later named Lincoln Memorial. Blanche was a faithful devoted member of the Lincoln family for 81 years. She was active in the mission and ministries of the whole church. She attended the Adult Sunday School classes as late as the age 90 plus. She walked to the Wednesday evening Bible Study where it is said, "She knew the Bible from front to back and did not mind sharing it with others, especially when she saw the need." She was a member of the Altar Guild, Sunshine Committee, the Usher Board, the Communion Steward, and the Parsonage committees. For her devoted service, the members of Usher Board # 2 honored Blanche by renaming the board The Blanche Nelson Usher Board. No task was too big or too small for Blanche. For many years she helped to keep the church neat and clean while ensuring that everything was in its place. And, when families were in need she went above her titles and offering to assist them.

Blanche had a special love for children. She would do crafts and picture puzzles with them for long periods of time; and even provided financial support for several children to attend camp. Blanche was indeed a "mother" for the children in her midst.

Her husband, Charles and two sisters and one brother preceded Blanche in death. She leaves to cherish her loving memories: one brother, Roy Adams of Baltimore, Maryland, three nieces; Delois Jones (Andrew) of Philadelphia, PA, Olivia Howard of Los Angeles, CA and Christine Stewart of Raleigh, North Carolina, one sister-in law, Katherine Basely of Buffalo, NY; two godsons, Willie J. Dorsey and Adolph Dupree, and one goddaughter; Marion Bouie all of Buffalo, NY and a host of nieces and nephews. For many persons in the church, Blanche was considered as the Mother of the church. Her gentle loving spirit will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Order of Service

*Please stand, as you are able

Prelude Mr. Tim Kennedy, Organist

The Words of Grace Rev. Patricia L. Brown

*Hymn. "In the Garden" 314

L: The Lord be with you

P: And also with you.

Let us pray.

Ministry of Music Senior Choir

Scripture Lessons

Old Testament.....Psalm 23
Mr. Rodney Washington

New TestamentRevelation 21:1-7
Mr. Willie J. Dorsey

*Hymn. "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" 703

~~~ Silent Reading of the Obituary ~~~

Eulogy ..... Family and Friends

Ministry of Music ..... Gospel Choir

Words of Comfort..... Pastor Patricia L. Brown

~~~ Commendation ~~~

Solo "The Lord's Prayer"
Ms. Jeanne Lumpkin

*Going Forth. "When We All Get To Heaven" UMH #701

You are invited to join the family downstairs in the
Fellowship Hall immediately after the interment service
in a time of food and fellowship

Safely Home

I am home in heaven, dear ones;
oh so happy and so bright.
There is perfect joy and beauty
in this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over,
every restless tossing passed;
I am now at peace forever,
safely home in heaven at last.

Did you wonder I so calmly
trod the valley of the shade?
Oh, but Jesus' love illumined
every dark and fearful glade.

And he came himself to meet me
in the way so hard to tread.

When that work is all completed,
He will gently call you home;
oh the rapture of that meeting,
oh, the joy to see you come.

And with Jesus' arm to lean on,
could I have one doubt or dread?

Then we must not grieve so sorely,
for I love you dearly still;
try to look beyond death's shadows,
pray to trust our Father's will.

There is work still waiting for you,
so you must not idly stand;
do it now while life remaineth,
you shall rest in Jesus' land.



Pallbearers

The Members of The
Blanche Nelson Board

Interment

FOREST LAWN CEMETERY

1411 Delaware Avenue • Buffalo, New York 14209

Final Arrangements Entrusted to:
THOMAS T. EDWARDS FUNERAL HOME INC.
995 Genesee Street • Buffalo, New York 14211

Acknowledgments

We, the family of Blanche Nelson would like to
express our sincere appreciation for all the kind deeds
and expressions of sympathy shown to our family
during our time of sickness and bereavement.