

In Memory

*Goodbye, dear one, you will be,
Always in our memory.
God was calling you, we know,
But we hated to see you go.*

*It just won't be the same for us
Not having you here to make a fuss.
In good times and bad times, we always knew
Just how much depended on you.*

*We will always remember the love you gave,
And promise you now, we will be brave.
To get on with our lives, we will try,
Though our hearts are heavy, and we tend to cry.*

*You've earned your rest in heaven above;
Give all the family there, our love.
Memories will help to make us strong
Sort of like a private phone.*

*You know we'll always keep in touch,
Because we all loved you so very much.
We should rejoice and not be blue,
For God's greatest gift to us was you.*

Goodbye, Farewell---
By Cornell Cleaver Hatchett

Active Pallbearers

Brian E. Wright
Geoffrey A. McCullough
Derek A. McCullough
James Michael Mims, Jr.
Kevin Williams
Vincent Cason, Sr.

Honorary Pallbearers

Jonathan E. Williams, Jr.
Lowell H. Cleaver, Jr.
Gregory K. Williams
Jonathan E. Williams, III
Christopher Williams
Paul L. Bigby, II
James Michael Mims, Sr.

A Message from the Family

Just as the Lord carries us on His shoulders in our time of trial, the love and generosity of so many of you have carried us through these difficult days. The Lord has comforted and nourished us through your cards, visits, food, phone calls and flowers. Your prayers will sustain us through the days ahead. We shall forever remember your acts of kindness and expressions of love. May God richly bless each of you.

Home Going Celebration

In Loving Memory



Cornell Gazelle Cleaver Hatchett

September 30, 1917

February 22, 2010



Saturday, March 6, 2010
10:00 A.M.

First African Methodist Episcopal Church
1700 North Raymond Avenue
Pasadena, California 91103

The Rev. Allen L. Williams, Sr., D. Min., Senior Pastor
Reverend Homer Burnett, Officiating
Reverend Dr. Johnie Carlisle, Jr. Eulogy

Obituary

Cornell Gazelle Cleaver was born September 30, 1917 in Austin, Texas. She was the third child of Arthur G. and Maude Allie Cleaver. Her elementary education was completed at Prairie View A & M College Laboratory School. She finished high school and entered the college program at age 15 and received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Home Economics in May, 1937 from Prairie View A & M College. She had been assigned an adult class in the teacher training program while in college and was a classroom teacher before her 20th birthday. She later returned to Prairie View to earn her Masters of Science Degree from Prairie View A&M College in 1974.

Growing up in Texas she was baptized in Clear Creek at Mount Corinth Baptist Church in Hempstead, Texas at the age of 11. While teaching in Texas, she made no affiliations, but attended each denominational church in the towns where her students resided.

On December 25th, 1941, Cornell was married to Matthew E. Crawford, also a Prairie View College graduate. To this union two children were born, Matthew, Jr., June 1943 and Ardelia, June, 1945. She moved with Matthew to Pasadena, California in May 2, 1944. Upon arriving in California, she joined Lincoln Avenue Baptist Church, where her husband Matthew was assistant pastor. She worked closely with the Missionary Society and was a dedicated member.

She was divorced in 1946 and moved back to Galveston, Texas with her two children. In August of 1947, she married Alto Hatchett who had a son Willie and they moved their family to Pasadena in February, 1948. Their daughter, Carolyn, was born February, 1949. On her return to Pasadena, she followed her husband, Alto to Metropolitan Baptist Church where he was a member. She played an active role in the church and was a part of various auxiliaries. She later became a member of First AME Church, Pasadena in 1978, after Alto passed.

Cornell taught in the Pasadena Unified School District for 29 years: 1954 to 1956 as a substitute teacher; and then began teaching at John Muir High School in 1956 through 1973. She became Clothing Department Chairman at Marshall Fundamental High School after obtaining her Masters. She retired from the Pasadena Unified School.

Cornell became an active member of the Gamma Chapter of the Gamma Phi Delta Sorority, Inc. in 1969. She began a second career with Century 21, Richardson Realty in 1977, with a real estate license earned in 1953.

Cornell relocated to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1993, where she remained until (her passing) February 22, 2010.

She was preceded in death by six siblings, stepson, Willie Hatchett and son, Matthew E. Crawford, Jr. She leaves to cherish her memory two daughters: Ardelia M. Crawford Wright and Carolyn J. Hatchett McCullough; daughter-in-law Florence Johnson Crawford; four grandchildren: Michele E. Cason (Vincent, Sr.), Brian E. Wright, Geoffrey and Derek McCullough; three great-grandchildren: Vincent, Jr., Mitchell Cason and Chea Luna Wright. She also had three grandchildren by her late stepson: Salita, Stephanie, and Marvin Hatchett and great-grandchildren: Rayshawn, Naleyah, Taliyah, and Ciyani Hatchett, along with a host of other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude Parting View
Processional Clergy and Family
Call to Celebration Reverend Homer Burnett
Hymn No.68 *How Great Thou Art*
Prayer Reverend Homer Burnett
Scripture Old Testament – Psalms 23 Sandra Mims
New Testament – Ephesians 4:1-7. Jon Williams
Musical Selection *His Eye Is On The Sparrow* Tim Davis
Acknowledgements and Condolences Gregory Williams, Mary Armistead
Resolutions Joann Thomas
Tribute From the Family Brian Wright
Remarks Friends (2 minutes maximum, please)
Obituary Read Silently
Special Selection *Just A Closer Walk With Thee* Tim Davis
Eulogy Reverend Dr. Johnie Carlisle, Jr.
Closing Prayer Reverend Homer Burnett
Benediction Reverend Homer Burnett
Recessional Clergy and Family



Interment

Rose Hills Memorial Park
3888 Workman Mill Road
Whittier, California 90601