

When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

*When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not there to see;
If the sun should rise and find your eyes
all filled with tears for me;*

*I wish so much you wouldn't cry the way you did today,
while thinking of the many things we didn't get to say.*

*I know how much you love me, as much as I love you,
And each time you think of me I know you'll miss me too;*

*But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand,
that an angel came and called my name
and took me by the hand,*

*And said my place was ready in heaven far above
and that I'd have to leave behind all those I dearly love.*

*But as I turned to walk away, a tear fell from my eye,
for all life, I'd always thought I didn't want to die*

*I had so much to live for and so much yet to do,
it seemed almost impossible that I was leaving you.*

*I thought of all the yesterdays, the good ones and the bad,
I thought of all the love we shared and all the fun we had.*

*If I could relive yesterday I thought just for awhile
I'd say goodbye and kiss you and maybe see you smile.*

*But then I fully realized that this could never be,
for emptiness and memories would take the place of me.*

*And when I thought of worldly things
that I'd miss come tomorrow,*

*I thought of you and when I did, my heart was filled with sorrow.
But when I walked through heaven's gate, I felt so much at home,*

*When God looked down and smiled at me
from His great golden throne,*

*He said, "This is eternity and all I've promised you."
Today for life on what is past but here it starts anew.*

*I promise no tomorrow, but today will always last,
And since each day's the same day,
there's no longing for the past.*

*But you have been so faithful, so trusting so true,
Though there were times you did some things
you knew you shouldn't do*

*But you have been forgiven and now at last you're free
So won't you take my hand and share my life with me?*

*So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart,
For every time you think of me, I'm right here in your heart.*

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The Sons and Friends

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I Am Free

*Don't grieve for me now, I am free,
I am following the path God laid out for me.*

*I took His hand when I heard Him call,
I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work or play.*

*Tasks left undone must stay that way;
I found peace at the end of the day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it now with remembered joy.*

*A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
These things I too shall miss.*

*Be not burdened with time of sorrow,
I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow.*

*My life has been full, I have savored much,
Good friends, good things, a loved one's touch.*

*Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't spend it now with undue grief.*

*Lift up your heart and share with me;
God wanted me now, He set me free.*

THANKYOU LORD

Expression of Appreciation

We, the family, would like to thank everyone for the love, support and condolences during the time of our bereavement.

—The Family

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Celebration of Life

"Forever With Us"



Mrs. Betty Jean Young Douglas

March 17, 1941 – June 3, 2016

Saturday, June 11, 2016
3:00 P.M.

Gethsemane Baptist Church

443 99 Road

Blair, South Carolina

Reverend Norris Turner, Pastor
Reverend Willie J. Davis, Jr., Officiating

Order of Service

Reverend Willie J. Davis, Jr., Presiding

Prelude

Processional Clergy and Family

Final Viewing Family and Friends

Opening Selection Reverend Jacqueline Sims
and Gethsemane Choir

Scripture

Old Testament Evangelist Olivia Robinson

New Testament Reverend Joseph Stringfellow

Invocation Reverend Horace Wilson, Jr.

Solo Sister Tara Garmany Williams

Reflections Deacon Tyrone Atchison
The Grandchildren

Solo Ms. Shada Brooks

Reflections Deacon Clifton Hendrix
Brother Johnny McDuffie

Resolution Dr. Patricia Harvey

Acknowledgements Sister Mary Lee Hendrix

Solo Reverend Stanley Price

Words of Comfort Reverend Willie Davis, Jr.

Recessional Selection "I Am Free"

Committal and Benediction Graveside

Interment Church Cemetery
Gethsemane Baptist Church
Blair, South Carolina



In His Garden

*God looked around His garden and found an empty place.
He then looked down upon the earth and saw your tired face.*

*He put His arms around you and lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful. He only takes the best.*

*He knew that you were suffering. He knew you were in pain.
He knew that you would never get well on earth again.
He saw the road getting rough and the hills were hard to climb.
So He closed your weary eyelids and whispered, "Peace be
thine."*

*It broke our hearts to lose you but you didn't go alone.
Part of us went with you the day God took you home.*

*If tears could build a stairway and heartaches make a lane,
We'd walk a path to heaven to be with you again.*

Obituary



Mrs. Betty Jean Young Douglas, 75, departed this life on June 3, 2016, at Palmetto Health Richland Memorial Hospital with her family along her bedside.

She was the daughter of the late Mr. Heck Young, Sr. and the late Mrs. Sunnie McDuffie Young,

She was educated in Fairfield County Public School District where she obtained the necessary skills need to be a productive citizen of the Blair community.

Mrs. Betty Douglas was a faithful member of New Beginnings Christian Church where she served as a Deaconess, Pastor's Aid, Missionary and Mother of the Church. Those who knew her knew how much she loved her church members, Pastor and First Lady Willie and Joyce Davis.

Before her illness she retired from Springfield Place as a certified Nursing Assistant. She was a firm believer in citizenship and service to all mankind. She truly exemplified her motto which is "If I can help someone along the way then my living will not be in vain."

She enjoyed nurturing and caring for her children and their spouses, grandchildren, family and community members.

Her hobbies included family gatherings, traveling and caring for others.

Mrs. Betty Douglas was known by her affectionate smile, gentle and kind spirit. Her teachings will forever remain in the hearts of many.

Her husband, Bobby Douglas and grandson, Dominique Brown, preceded her to Heaven.

Those who celebrate her life and cherish precious and loving memories are five sons, Kirk Douglas (Renace) of Newberry, SC, Kenneth W. Douglas (Marilyn) of Patterson, New Jersey, Bobby D. Douglas (Sandra) and Dexter Douglas, all of Newberry, SC and Craig Douglas (Atia) of the home; three daughters, Kimlyn D. Brown (James) and TaShawn D. Cannon (Reginald) all of Newberry, SC and Wonda D. Briggs (Kerry) of Enoree, SC; 21 grandchildren; 15 great grandchildren; one sister, Elaine Y. Butler of Jacksonville, Florida; one aunt, Mae T. McDuffie of Blair, SC; mother-in-law, Mrs. Minnie D. Goodman of Newberry, SC; two sisters-in-law, Reba Ivey (Roy) of Simpsonville, SC and Grace Young of Saint Petersburg, Florida; one brother-in-law, Virgil Douglas (Joann) of Creedmoor, North Carolina; devoted cousin, Yvonne Trower; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and loving friends.