

IN LOVING Memory

When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

By David M. Romano

When tomorrow starts without me and I am not here to see
If the sun should rise and find your eyes all filled with tears for me
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 Jesus came and called my name and took me by the hand.

He said my place is ready in heaven far above
And that I have to leave behind all those I dearly love.

But as I turned to walk away a tear fell from my eye
For all my life I'd always thought it wasn't my time to die.

I had so much to live for and so much yet to do
It seems 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 have stayed for just a little while
I'd say goodbye and kiss you and maybe see you smile.

But then I fully realize 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 and felt so much at home
As God looked down and smiled at me from his great golden throne.

He said This is eternity And all I've promised you
Today your life on earth is past but here it starts anew.

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

Flower Bearers

Nieces, Cousins and Friends

Pall Bearers

Nephews, Grandsons and Friends



Heaven Sent: February 24, 1946

Ethel Mae Poole
RAINEY

Heaven Bound: June 17, 2021

Wednesday ~ June 23, 2021

One O'Clock in the Afternoon

Ollie Robinson Brown Memorial Chapel

Marcus D. Brown Funeral Home, Inc.

1212 South Main Street

Anderson, South Carolina 29624

Reverend Charvis Gray, Officiant



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Celebrating Ethel's Life

Reverend Charvis Gray, Presiding

Prelude.....“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

Processional.....Ministers and Family

Inspiration from Scripture

Old Testament.....Reverend Kelly Simmons, Jr.

New Testament.....Pastor James E. Massey

Prayer.....Reverend R. H. Mitchell (Emeritus)

Solo.....Bro. Tommy Johnson

Remarks.....Ms. Stephanie Joseph
Mrs. Nicole (Rainey) Andrews

Solo.....Mrs. LaKeta Jeter Norwood

Eulogy.....Reverend Charvis Gray

Recessional.....“I Shall Wear A Crown”

Committal/Benediction/Interment

Mt. Moriah Baptist Church Cemetery
4909 Highway 81 South
Starr, South Carolina 29624

Acknowledgement

The family of Mrs. Ethel Mae (Poole) Rainey would like to thank our many friends for the visits, food, calls, cards, flowers and words of comfort during the loss of our beloved one. We will forever remember your kindness. May God Bless you!

~ The Rainey and Poole Family ~

Tribute



Obituary

Ethel Mae Poole Rainey departed this life on June 17, 2021 at AnMed Health Medical Center.

Ethel (Mae) was born in Anderson, SC on February 24, 1946. She was the eldest child born to the late J.B. and Ethel Goss Poole (“Mama P”).

Ethel attended New Deal High School (now Starr-Iva Middle School) and received her G.E.D. from McDuffie High School. She joined Mt. Moriah Baptist Church at an early age. She served as a member of Circle #4 of the W.M.U. and the Sanctuary Choir among other groups. Ethel loved singing, dancing and taking care of her plants; she was also known for her sweet smile. She worked for Ronnie Cole Law Firm & Family for many years and retired from Anderson Memorial Hospital after 15 years of service.

Ethel was married to the late Walter Rainey, Jr. and through this union, eight children were born. She leaves to cherish her memory, three sons, Anthony Fitzgerald Rainey, Sr., Terry Lorenzo Rainey, Brian Delano Rainey; four daughters, Sharon Diane Rainey, Beverly Melissa Rainey, Denise Larissa Rainey, Lenise Felicia Rainey; one granddaughter reared in the home like a daughter, Vaneishia Nicole Rainey (Kareem) Andrews; two sisters, Mary P. Mattress, Doris P. Reed; two brothers, J.B. Poole, Jr., Charles R. Poole; close family friend and “Goddaughter,” Andrea “Lynn” Frazier Jones along with twelve more grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, Ethel was also preceded in death by her son, Tyrone Bernard Rainey; her grandsons, Tramaine Demond Rainey and Dondriques Lamar Rainey; a great-grandson, Julian J. C. Sanders; her brothers, Bennie Alvin Poole and Leroy Durham; a sister, Emma Lean Poole; brothers-in-law, Sylvester Reed, Jr., Charles Rainey, Louis Rainey, Louie Rainey; sisters-in law, Mamie Poole, Linda Rainey Guyton and Mary Ann Rainey Pickens; in-laws, Walter Sr. and Genevieve (“Big Mama”) Rainey.