

# Pall Bearers & Floral Bearers

Nephews & Nieces

# Letter from Heaven

When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not here to see, If the sun should rise and find your eyes 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.

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

# Acknowledgements:

The family of *Deacon Elmo Harris* wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to them during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!

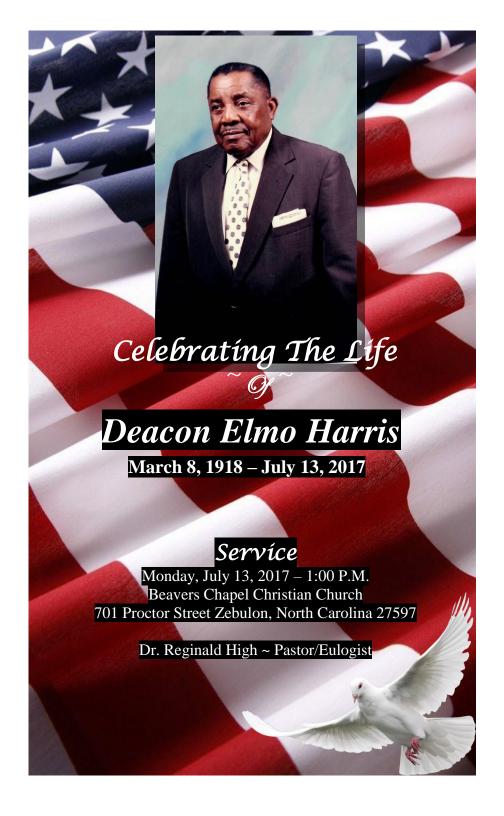


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#### **Prelude**

#### **Processional**

Clergy & Family

#### Invocation

Rev. Dr. Reginald High

### **Opening Selection**

Zebulon First Baptist Choir

### **Scripture Reading:**

OLD TESTAMENT – Mr. Kirby Bunn NEW TESTAMENT – Rev. Laura Johnson

## **Prayer of Comfort**

Bishop John Mangum

#### Solo

Mrs. Daureen Lee

## Remarks (2 Minutes)

Deacon Robert Ward Family & Friends

# **Obituary Reading (Silently)**

#### **Musical Selection**

Zebulon First Baptist Choir

# **Eulogy**

Dr. Reginald High

Mortician's Brief

Recessional/Selection

#### *INTERMENT*

Wakefield Cemetery Zebulon, North Carolina

# **OBITUARY**

We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed.

2 Corinthians 4: 8-9

### DEACON ELMO HARRIS

Born in Youngsville, North Carolina to the late Robert and Rachel Holden Harris on March 8, 1918, departed this earthly life on July 13, 2017.

## DEACON ELMO HARRIS

was educated in the Wake County School System.

While in high school, he and his twin brother, Delmo, were stars on the basketball team and helped the team to win a state championship. After high school Elmo left the farm and joined the U.S. Navy and served for 6 years.

## DEACON ELMO HARRIS

returned to Zebulon and worked locally until he chose to go to Harris Barber College where his uncle Sam Harris was owner and operator. After finishing barber school and obtaining his barber's license he opened Harris Barber Shop where he served for over 50 years. He served as commander of the American Legion Post (James Rodgers 363 Zebulon) for many years. He served on the Zebulon planning board and Zebulon Sport Authority. He was part of the first group of African American registered voters in Zebulon and helped many others register to vote. He later married the late Vernetta Richardson and became a deacon at Zebulon First Baptist, which was very meaningful to him, causing him to live up to the biblical standards of a deacon. He often shared about the building and rebuilding of the Zebulon First Baptist Church, and how a few faithful men faced and overcame many challenges, but yet saw the task at hand and completed it. He is noted for his favorite Bible verse (2 Cor. 4:8-9).

# DEACON ELMO HARRIS

was very sober-minded and exemplified good behavior. He was also gentle, patient, and kind. He was a teacher to many in various ways, whether it was biblically related questions and concerns or daily living. He will be truly missed.

### DEACON ELMO HARRIS

was preceded in death by his wife Vernetta R. Harris, daughter Gina L. Harris, eight brothers and 2 sisters.

## **DEACON ELMO HARRIS**

Leaves to carry on his legacy and love; one son, Richard Harris (Edith) of Zebulon; granddaughter, Soleil Harris; two grandsons, Peter and Simeon Harris all of Zebulon, Reared in the home as a son Quentin Higgins (Dorothy), and their three children, Tonya, Quentin Jr., and Shameka of Kentucky. Reared in the home for a season, Brenda Baten Everette and Michael Baten of Maryland; Sister Naomi Webb, sister-in-law Virginia Harris, a host of nieces, nephews other relatives and friends. a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.