



Annie O. Drake

September 26, 1930 - September 22, 2008

Manteo - Mrs. Annie Olane Meekins Drake was born September 26, 1930 to the late Theodore and Odessa Meekins. Annie departed this life at Chesapeake Regional Medical Center, September 22, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. to enter the Gates of Heaven. Annie was a 77 year native of Manteo, North Carolina. She was educated in Manteo Public Schools, as one of the culinary arts corner stones of the Outer Banks. She worked diligently at serving thousands of establishments such as Owens Restaurant, the Oasis and Millers Steakhouse, just to name a few. Most recently she served as a personal cook for the Lions' Club and Rotary Club members. Just as Christ Jesus served the multitude, Annie, a devoted Christian dedicated her life to God and His people. Now Annie's family and friends are receiving the overflow of her life. She was married to her husband William for 63 years. During their matrimony they were blessed with nine children. Annie is survived by her husband William C. Drake, Sr. and nine children. Seven sons, William C. Drake, Jr. (Patricia), James M. Drake (Patricia), Larmarvin Drake (Donna), Leon Drake, Henry Drake, Timothy Drake, and Tony Drake (Cathy); two daughters, Annie L. Drake-Coop (David) and Barbara Selby (Jerome) (deceased); two brothers, Nick Meekins (Linda) and Roosevelt Meekins; two sisters, Wilma Keys (Linwood) and Ossie Dunston. A host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, family and friends. A life celebration service will be held Tuesday at 1 p.m. in Haven Creek Missionary Baptist Church, 611 Sir Walter Raleigh Road, Manteo, NC.

Interment will be in Haven Creek Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery, Manteo, NC. Final care arrangements have been entrusted to J.T. Fisher Funeral Services. Condolences can be sent to the family at www.jtfisherfuneralservices.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 30. 11:00 AM - 12:45 PM (ET)

Haven Creek Missionary Baptist Church
611 Sir Walter Raleigh Street
Manteo, NC

Service

SEP 30. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Manteo, NC

Tribute Wall



“ *Today is January 22, 2015. I miss you Grandma and love you with all my heart. Love you always Kin and Meca.*

Tameca - January 22, 2015 at 07:34 AM



“ *Hello Grandma,
Today is August 26, 2009. I will have my sonogram done to find out the development of the baby. I turned 5mo on Monday, August 24, 2009. Who saids GOD cannot work mircales..... Your birthday is next month and I am hoping I can travel to NC to celebrate it with the family. We misss you so much. Please pray for me and the well being of this unborn baby. You have already told me in your dreams what I am having. I am going to name her: Triniti Ann Wallace. Help me to raise her the same way as you raised us. I love you and please continue to lift us up in prayer Grandma we need it. Meca-Meca###imported-begin##Tameca##imported-end##*

August 26, 2009 at 10:39 AM



“ Hello Grandma,

Today is January 5, 2009. I think about you every day and night. I have your picture setup to when I walk through the front door, I see your face. Everyday it get's better. I miss you so much. It sadness me that I cannot call you everday like I use to. Then I think to myself when I call on Jesus I just look to the shy and call him. I know I can call you the same way.I thank God for you everyday. He knows what is best. Pray for our stength in God as we continue on this journey.Da'von said he loves you. We will understand it better by and by.Love Meca and Family##imported-begin##Tameca and Family##imported-end##

January 05, 2009 at 02:32 PM



“ *The Lord is...; He makes...; He Leads..., and He restores...*

Psalms 23:1-3

It is with a heartfelt sympathy we extend this condolence. Our family has lost a faithful soldier in Aunt Annie, one who has fought a good fight, and stayed on the course. It is our prayer that as you walk this difficult path, you will remember that you are not alone. The Lord is with you every step of the way. Hold onto God's unchanging hands. Rest your head on his shoulders for he is compassionate.

Again we want to assure you that you will be in our thoughts and prayers as you go through this difficult time, and we know the same God who has helped you with past trials, will be ever present during this one as well.

With Deepest Sympathy,

Bennie's Kids

John Will (Betty)

Henry's Family

Jean and Rhondalyn

Alvin (Clara)

Gail (Mark)###imported-begin##Gail Chapman##imported-end##

September 29, 2008 at 04:40 PM



“ It is with sadness that I make this entry. I am also speaking for Gail, Alvin, John Will,(Bennie's children) and my daughter Rhondalyn. We too feel the pain and sadness of Annie's passing. She was more than an aunt to us, we will go on and say she was like a second mom. We believe she has lived a good and faithful life. We will miss her but we know that she is in a better place now. Please know that we have been where you are now...Please remember that weeping may endure for a night...But Joy comes in the morning...
Sorrowfully submitted,

John Will Jean, Alvin, Gail,..and Rhondalyn##imported-begin##Jean##imported-end##

September 29, 2008 at 02:21 PM



“ To the family, I pray that God continue to keep all of you and give you strength during this time. SFC Drake just remember that your mom was proud of your accomplishments, and she expect for you to continue to do good things like serving God, setting the example for your children, and retiring from the military. Take Care, and be blessed.love SFC Washington, Essie##imported-begin##Essie Washington##imported-end##

September 29, 2008 at 11:55 AM



“ Please accept my sympathies. Miss Annie was a special person. She will be missed.##imported-begin##Jay Burrus##imported-end##

September 29, 2008 at 08:44 AM



“ *Marvin, Donna and Family, you have our deepest sympathies and I pray for God to comfort you all, as you move through this process. Please know that the Brent and Howard families are here for you and to help with anything that you may need.*

*We love you,
The Brent and Howard Families##imported-begin##Tammie Brent
and the Brent and Howard Families##imported-end##*

September 26, 2008 at 05:56 PM



“ *Hi Grandma,*

It is still hard for me to believe you are not with us in body, but I thank God I feel you in spirit. I love you and I thank you for showing me that know matter where I travel in life to always put God in front of everything I do. You taught me how to cook, how to be a lady, how to count my blessing and be thankful even when things do not go the way I would like them. You are such an inspiration to me. I will miss you more than you will know. I will honor your wishes and shout you out in heaven and the tears I shed will not be tears of sorrow, but tears of praise. I thank God that you are my angel to watch over me. Da'von and Dion said they love you and will miss you. All I ask is when God is ready for me to come home please have my pot of greens with the dumplings and potatoes. Loving you now and forever. Meca-Meca##imported-begin##Tameca Carver and Family##imported-end##

September 26, 2008 at 01:31 PM



“ I will miss Miss Annie's twinkle right along with her delicious food. I was one of the very few women at the Manteo Rotary Club. We seldom spoke, but she would catch my eye and give me that special twinkle as if to let me know that we women had to stick together! I can't imagine going to a dinner meeting without her being there watching over us all --- especially me.##imported-begin##Lynn Bryant##imported-end##

September 26, 2008 at 01:06 PM



“ What a beautiful person inside and out. You have inspired me in so many ways with your love for the Lord and your family. I know deep within my heart, you are rejoicing and looking down on us all smiling. To the family: REMAIN STRONG AND TOGETHER BECAUSE THIS IS WHAT MRS ANNIE WOULD HAVE WANTED. May God bless all.##imported-begin##Dawn Larry-Drake##imported-end##

September 26, 2008 at 12:49 PM



“ The Drake family, Even though I never meet Mrs. Annie, I felt like I knew her all so well through her son (Tim).Everyday to come you will be missed dearly(Mrs.Annie),the day that you and your family will all meet again, in heaven will be an joyous time. As you,Tim and your Family travel this road on earth just remember that your Mother,Wife is traveling through the gates of Heaven...God Bless you and your Family##imported-begin##Anita Moore &Family##imported-end##

September 26, 2008 at 12:36 PM



“ Oh mama, I really miss you so much. You really left me in a bad way. You away said that we your children was your heart beat, but what you didn't know was that you was ours. What do I do now mama. My spirit rejoice because I know to be absent from the body is to present with Lord. I know all these thing mama, but this hurts. LOVE YOU MAMA your Timmy.##imported-begin##Timothy L. Drake##imported-end##

September 26, 2008 at 11:23 AM



“ We love you so much and we thank God for you everyday...We know you are walking with Jesus, Shouting, and dancing!!##imported-begin##KIntrea Carver and Family##imported-end##

September 26, 2008 at 09:52 AM



“ Hold On Guys,

God is Faithful, and will see us through.

See Ya Soon

Eric##imported-begin##Eric O'Brain Meekins##imported-end##

September 25, 2008 at 05:27 PM



“ To the Drake Family, my condolence to you. Mrs. Drake was an angel sent down from heaven. She was a very beautiful and down to earth lady. I'm glad I got a chance to meet her. I didn't spend a lot of time with her, but the time I did spend was special. She reminded me of who I wanted to be. An Angel just like her. I'll miss you.
Love, Bertha###imported-begin##Bertha Bell###imported-end##

September 25, 2008 at 03:26 PM



“ Mom- I miss you already! Thanks for always being kind and gentle. Thanks for always making whatever I liked when I was too picky to eat what you had already prepared. That was your nature; you pleased everyone. You are missed by many and loved by all. Thank you for being Lamarvin's mother. You raised him to be a great man whom I was priviledged to inherit as my husband and friend. Fran, Nicole, Devon,Dorian, and I all love you and know that you are singing with the angels now.
God bless you,
Donna###imported-begin##Donna Drake###imported-end##

September 25, 2008 at 02:07 PM



“ To the Drake family, a beautiful flower has been taken from your garden; it appears as though someone stole it the middle of the night. It was so beautiful that someone wanted to be able to have that beauty to look at also. Have no fear Mom(Ms. Anne) had sowed so many seeds of faith, hope and yes charity during her journey here that God saw that her journey was complete and that she was tired and needed rest. So when he offered her a place of peace and rest, that she so justly deserved she placed her hand in his knowing that this journey would be the best of all. Family rise up and thank god for Mom and his Mercies.
Luv, Fred-da and Auntie Girlie###imported-begin###Fred-da Delahaye and Auntie Girlie###imported-end###

September 25, 2008 at 01:43 PM