



Bishop Mattie F. Alston

January 9, 1941 - March 12, 2009

Norfolk - Bishop Mattie Faye Alston, 68, of the 1300 block of Lead Street, departed this life on March 12, 2009 in Harbour Pointe Rehabilitation Center in Norfolk. She was born in South Carolina to the late Robert and Mary Reid on January 9, 1941. She was educated in Princess Anne County Public Schools. Bishop Alston was married on January 25, 1957 to George Alston. Bishop Alston came to know the Lord in 1968 and continued to serve him until the very end. She began preaching in 1984 and was ordained bishop shortly after.

Bishop Alston leaves to cherish her memory a loving husband, George Alston, two sons; Robert and Johnny Alston; two daughters, Patricia Alston and Stephanie Colon; two sisters, Mildred Ruffin and Vivian Billups (Joseph). Also left to cherish her memory are grandchildren; Johane, Robert, April, Johnathan, Nathaniel, Tony, Shanice, Shekera; sister in law; Sarah Gladney, and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

Viewing will be held on Tuesday, March 17, 2009 from 5 pm until 8pm at Mount Olive Word of Life Church, 725 W. 35th Street, Norfolk. A life celebration service will be held on Wednesday, March 18, 2009 at 1 pm at New Galilee Baptist Church, 1013 Great Bridge Blvd., Chesapeake where the pastor is Rev. Anderson Foreman, Jr. Pastor Linda Moody will officiate. The family has entrusted J. T. Fisher Funeral Services to handle the final care

arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 17. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Mount Olive Word of Life Church
725 W 35th Street
Norfolk, VA

Service

MAR 18. 1:00 PM (ET)

New Galilee Baptist Church
141 Kempsville Road
Norfolk, VA

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Bishop Mattie F. Alston



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - March 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ My sympathy to the family. Losing a loved one to the sleep of death brings sorrow. We can be thankful to the God of love, comfort and tender mercies because he sent his onlybegotten Son Jesus Christ to open the way for our salvation and everlasting life. Jesus tells us at John 5:28-29, that there will be a resurrection. He comforts and assures us, just as he comforted Martha at John 11:25 Jesus said to her: "I am the resurrection and the life. He that exercises faith in me, even though he dies, will come to life." He left a vision with John to let us know how life would be after the resurrection at Revelation 7:16-17 "They will hunger no more nor thirst anymore, neither will the sun beat down upon them nor any scorching heat, because the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne, will shepherd them, and will guide them to fountains of waters of life. And God will wipe out every tear from their eyes." Revelation 21:4 Helps us to appreciate that this will be a time when "DEATH WILL BE NO MORE." May these blessings from Jehovah flow to you through his Son Jesus Christ.##imported-begin##Annetta M. Lee##imported-end##

March 17, 2009 at 05:54 PM



“ dear stephanie and family, we are very sorry to hear about your lost. Bishop alston went home to be with the lord. may you continual the ledgency of her good work. God makes no mistakes, keep your hand in God's hand and everything will word out fine.

Be Encourage,

elder jasper and sharon

mcmickle##imported-begin##elder jasper and sharon mcmickle

Sr.##imported-end##

March 16, 2009 at 09:39 PM



“ Don't allow this time of grief to cloud the blessed memories you've shared together. My prayers are with you always.##imported-begin##Megan Colon##imported-end##

March 15, 2009 at 05:27 PM



“ I an pastor Alston's daughter. She strived her whole life now the gates of heaven are open for her and she is rejoicing. I love my mom very much and i will miss her and never forget her. I will cherish the memoroies we have had together.##imported-begin##Stephanie Colon##imported-end##

March 15, 2009 at 02:51 PM



“ first i would like to say that u were an inspiration to me n mines.I thank God for allowing u to be n my life.We talked about alot, we did a whole lot together.U r really gonna be missed by me n mines but never forgotten.LOVE U ALWAYS N THANK U FOR BEING U!###imported-begin##Shera LAssiter###imported-end##

March 15, 2009 at 02:06 PM



“ jus wanted to say that I LOVE MY GRANDMA and she will be missed but i kno she's happy and in a better place .hope to see you love always treysha###imported-begin##Treysha Lassiter###imported-end##

March 15, 2009 at 01:58 PM



“ I would like to start off by saying i loved my grandmother vey much and i am really going to miss her but know I know that she is sitting high looking low and she is in no more pain###imported-begin##Shanice###imported-end##

March 15, 2009 at 01:54 PM



“ i am her grand daughter and i love my grandma and will always love her forever even though she isn't here.###imported-begin##jahane alston###imported-end##

March 14, 2009 at 10:52 PM



“ i am mattie faye alston granddaughter n im jus sign the guestbook
1st i love u grandma alwayz and 4rva###imported-begin##april
green###imported-end##

March 14, 2009 at 10:49 PM