

## FLOWER BEARERS

Family and Friends

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### “THE GIFT OF LETTING GO”

The angels gathered near your bed, so very close to you,  
For they knew the pain and suffering you were going through,  
We thought about so many things, so we held tightly to your hand,  
Oh, how we wished that you were strong and happy once again.  
But your eyes were looking homeward, to that place beyond the sky,  
Where Jesus held his outstretched arms, it was time to say good-bye.  
We struggled with our selfish thoughts, for we wanted you to stay,  
So we could walk and talk again, like we did just yesterday.  
But Jesus knew the answer and we knew He loved you so,  
So we gave to you life's greatest gift,  
The gift of letting go.

Authors: Johnson and Morse

### *Acknowledgement*

*We appreciate the many comforting messages, prayers and other expressions of kindness and concern during this very difficult period of love and loss.*

**THE MAYES FAMILY**



## CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR

*Mrs. Thelma B. Mayes*



*“And I said, Oh that I had wings like a dove!  
for then would I fly away, and be at rest.” Psalm 55:6*

**Sunday, April 2, 2017  
3 O'clock in the afternoon**

**CLARK S. BROWN & SONS FUNERAL HOME CHAPEL  
727 NORTH PATTERSON AVENUE  
WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA**

**MINISTER MICHELLE BOONE, OFFICIATING/EULOGIST**



## OBITUARY

Mrs. Thelma B. Mayes was born to the late John Allen and Alma Yountz Allen in Winston-Salem, North Carolina on August 6, 1940.

She attended the local public schools and completed her education with a degree from McLean Stenographic Business School in Winston-Salem.

Mrs. Mayes retired from the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School System following more than forty years of dedicated clerical service to the school system. She was also owner/operator of Mayes Landscaping and Concrete, Incorporated. She worked hard and exhibited a strong work ethic for her family to follow. Those who knew her will surely miss her poise and positive personality.

Thelma B. Mayes was a proud member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Meridian Chapter. But she cherished the time spent with her family and close friends. She was an avid reader and loved gardening.

Mrs. Thelma B. Mayes departed this earthly life when the Lord called her from her home in Winston-Salem, North Carolina on Wednesday, March 29, 2017 following a period of illness. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of thirty-eight years, Arthur Mayes.

Loving memories will forever be cherished by her son, Ricky (Teronica) Mayes; five grandchildren, Antoinette M. Mayes, Khadihaa A. Lewis, Kimberly R. Mayes, Kayla M. Mayes and Katrina R. Mayes; a great granddaughter; a great-great grandson; her sister, Barbara Crutchfield; and many extended relatives and friends.

Procession

Meridian Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star Ritual 2:15 p.m.

Family Visitation Period 2:30 p.m.—3:00 p.m.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

**Scripture Reading**

Old Testament

New Testament

Minister Michelle Boone

Prayer of Comfort

Minister Boone

Special Remarks (*2 minute limit, please*)

Music of Request

*"Soon Ah Will Be Done"*

Mahalia Jackson

Pre-recorded

Eulogy

Minister Michelle Boone

Recession

## THE INTERMENT

Evergreen Cemetery

Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Monday, April 3, 2017 (11:00 a.m.)

