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Women's Home and Overseas Missionary Society

HONORARY FLOWER BEARERS

Phi Omega Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

PALL BEARERS

Men's Booster Ministry of the Winston-Salem District

Acknowledgment

*The family of Olivia E. Morgan acknowledges with heartfelt appreciation
all the expressions of love, concern and support
you have shared during the illness and passing of our loved one.
God's love and your acts of kindness have comforted and strengthened us.*

*The family extends a special thank you to:
Rev. Ruff and our Goler Metropolitan Church Family
The Staff of Winston-Salem Hospice and Palliative Care
and our "caring angels" –*

*Estella Brown, Margretta Brown Davis,
Anne Love, Brenda Lyles and Sheila Redd.*

THE FAMILY



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HOME-GOING CELEBRATION FOR

Mrs. Olivia Mae Ellis Morgan



**THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2017
1:00 PM**

**GOLER METROPOLITAN A.M.E. ZION CHURCH
1435 EAST FOURTH STREET
WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA**

REVEREND JOHNNY L. RUFF, PASTOR/OFFICIATING

OBITUARY

Olivia Mae Ellis Morgan was born in Winston-Salem, North Carolina to the late Rev. Golden C. and Sadie M. Ellis on December 24, 1927. God sent an angel to bring her home on Easter Sunday, April 16, 2017.

Olivia graduated from Atkins High School and received her B.A. degree from Livingstone College and her Elementary School Teacher Certification from Winston-Salem Teachers College (now Winston-Salem State University). She earned her M.A. degree from North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University.

During a thirty year teaching career, she taught at two schools – Caldwell Elementary in the Guilford County School System and Kernersville Elementary School in the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School System. She retired in 1988.

Olivia was faithful and compassionate. She was a woman of strength and an anchor for her family, her church and her community. She was lovingly called "Muh-Dear" or Aunt Libby by family and friends. She had a gracious silence, but did not hesitate to ask the questions that others wanted to ask. Even during her recent illness, she remained involved and requested frequent updates on her church, family, sorority and friends.

Olivia enjoyed serving the Lord and worked diligently at Goler Metropolitan A.M.E. Zion Church where she was a member for over 60 years. She served as a former Sunday School Superintendent. She was also a member of the Women's Home and Overseas Missionary Society, Cathedral Choir, Willing Workers, Stewardess Board, Board of Christian Education, Lay Council and Class Leader. She was the coordinator of the Birthday/Anniversary Card Ministry.

While a student at Livingstone College, Olivia joined Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. She continued her involvement in the sorority as a member of Phi Omega Chapter and previously served as president of the chapter. She was also a member of the Winston-Salem Chapter of the Livingstone Alumni Association. Olivia enjoyed working word search puzzles and playing the piano.

Olivia Mae Ellis Morgan was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Albert Morgan, Jr.; and two brothers, G.C. and Junior Nathaniel Ellis.

Loving memories shall be cherished by her daughter, Annette Wilson; son, Thomas Morgan (Teresa); six grandchildren, Corey Morgan (Shannikka), Eric, Jason and Kevin Wilson, Scott Morgan (Kendra) and Jessica Morgan; six great-grandchildren, Izaiah Houston, Brian, Peyton, Shaun and Serenity Morgan and Nevaeh Smith; two sisters, Mildred Knox and Dorothy Wynecoff; four sisters-in-law, Reverend Dr. Alice Morgan Brown (Charles), Mary Morgan, Eleise Morgan and Delorise Morgan; her namesake niece Olyvia Miles and a host of other nieces, nephews and cousins. Olivia was blessed to have the supportive friendship and love of many individuals through the years, including Dorothy Moore, Marie Matthews, Estella Brown, Margretta Brown Davis, Anne Love, Brenda Lyles and Sheila Redd.

FEEL NO GUILT IN LAUGHTER

*Feel no guilt in laughter; she'd know how much you care.
Feel no sorrow in a smile that she is not here to share.*

*You cannot grieve forever; she would not want you to.
She'd hope that you could carry on the way you always do.*

*So, talk about the good times and the way you showed you cared,
the days you spent together, all the happiness you shared.*

*Let memories surround you, a word someone may say
will suddenly recapture a time, an hour, or a day,
that brings her back as clearly as though she were still here,
and fills you with the feeling that she is always near.*

*For if you keep those moments, you will never be apart
and she will live forever... locked safe within your heart.*

UNKNOWN

A Mother’s Love

Helen Steiner Rice

*A Mother's love is something
that no one can explain,
It is made of deep devotion
and of sacrifice and pain,
It is endless and unselfish
and enduring come what may
For nothing can destroy it
or take that love away . . .
It is patient and forgiving
when all others are forsaking,
And it never fails or falters
even though the heart is breaking . . .
It believes beyond believing
when the world around condemns,
And it glows with all the beauty
of the rarest, brightest gems . . .
It is far beyond defining,
it defies all explanation,
And it still remains a secret
like the mysteries of creation . . .
A many splendored miracle
man cannot understand
And another wondrous evidence
of God's tender guiding hand.*

Prelude	Dr. Marion “Pete” Thomas, Organist
Processional	Clergy and Family
Gathering of Family and Friends	12:00-1:00 p.m.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Invocation	Reverend Johnny L. Ruff
Selection	“Blessed Assurance” Cathedral Choir
<u>The Holy Scripture</u>	
Old Testament Reading: Psalm 23	Reverend James Clyburn
New Testament Reading: I Corinthians 15:50-58	Reverend Wan Etta Belle
Prayer of Comfort	Reverend Johnny L. Ruff
Selection	“Total Praise” Cathedral Choir
Church Resolution	Mrs. Linda Riggs
Solo	Mr. Eddie Bines

Reflections

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.	Ms. Kenyetta Richmond
The Community	Mrs. Brenda Diggs

The Family

Mr. B. Corey Morgan, Mr. Jason Wilson and Mrs. Annette M. Wilson

Selection	“Jesus, He Means Everything to Me” Cathedral Choir
Eulogy	Reverend Johnny L. Ruff Pastor, Goler Metropolitan AME Zion Church, Winston-Salem, NC

Recessional

THE INTERMENT

Parklawn Memorial Park
Winston-Salem, North Carolina



OLIVIA MAE ELLIS MORGAN
12/24/27 — 4/16/17