

## *Psalm 23*

*A Psalm of David*

**THE LORD** is my shepherd;  
I shall not want.  
He maketh me to lie down  
in green pastures;  
He leadeth me beside the still waters.  
He restoreth my soul;  
He leadeth me in  
the paths of righteousness  
For his name's sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the valley  
of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil;  
For thou art with me;  
Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.  
Thou prepares a table before me  
in the presence of mine enemies;  
Thou anointest my head with oil;  
My cup runneth over.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life;  
And I will dwell in  
the house of THE LORD for ever.



### **FLOWER BEARERS**

Secret Pals Social Club

### **HONORARY ATTENDANTS**

Carlos Slade and David Slade  
(Grandsons)

### *Sincere Gratitude*

*Our hearts are made glad  
in the midst of our sorrow  
by the outpouring of love and concern for us.*

*We praise God for the way that you have  
demonstrated the love of Christ  
through your prayers, words of comfort  
and genuine acts of friendship and kindness.*

*And when the winter of our sorrow is gone  
And the flowers of loving memories spring up,  
We will remember you.*

### **THE FAMILY**



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*Celebration of Life  
In Loving Memory of  
Mrs. Victoria Gentry Slade*



*"For I am now ready to be offered and the time of my departure is at hand.  
I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith"*

**II Timothy 4: 6, 7**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2018  
1:30 p.m.**

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

**BISHOP JAMES E. GRAHAM, OFFICIATING/EULOGIST**

OBITUARY

Victoria Ann Gentry Slade, affectionately called “Vickie,” by family and friends, was born to Hattie R. Gentry and the late Harry L. Gentry, Sr. in Winston-Salem, North Carolina on January 8, 1951.

She was educated in the public schools of Winston-Salem/Forsyth County and graduated from A.H. Anderson High School in 1968. She received her commercial education at Rutledge Business College. Vickie’s early Christian education began in the Baptist Church. And in subsequent years, she exercised the tenets of her faith in the fellowship of Abundant Life Christian Ministries.

Victoria Gentry married David T. Slade in 1969. The couple’s union was blessed with the birth of two daughters, April Deve’ and Angela Nicole. The couple had been married for thirty-four years at the time of David’s death in 2003.

“Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates.” **Proverbs 31:31...**

Vickie was a devoted wife, compassionate mother, talented seamstress and intelligent business woman. Her creativity as a seamstress was recognized and often requested. She designed wedding gowns, customized men’s clothing and delivered a variety of fashion creations. Her skillfulness as a seamstress soon evolved from fashion to interior design. And in due course, she became co-owner of C & S Upholstery. For a brief period of time, she and her daughters operated a family business, Slade Investments.

Vickie’s varied work history included employment with Cintas and Piece Goods. She most recently was a member of the clerical support staff of Forsyth Technical Community College (Mazie S. Woodruff Center), until declining health prevailed.

Victoria Ann Gentry Slade peacefully passed away at WFU Baptist Medical Center in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, on Tuesday, February 20, 2018, following a period of illness. In addition to her husband and her father, she was preceded in death by her sister, Betty L. Gentry and her brother, Harry L. Gentry, Jr.

The unspeakable joy that awaits her in heaven is the hope and promise of those who look forward to a reunion with her in eternity. Included in that number are her devoted daughters, April D. Slade and Angela S. Joyner; her dear mother, Hattie R. Spillman; two grandsons, Carlos and David Slade; six great grandchildren; three sisters, Harriet G. Stowe, Kathy Gentry-Pone and Phyllis R. (Edward) Horsey; her brother, Michael Gentry; many nieces and nephews; and several extended family members and many friends.

Procession	Clergy and Family
Gathering of Family and Friends	1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Opening Song	Minister Mary Rucker
The Holy Scripture Reading	
Old Testament	Elder Deborah Jeter
New Testament	Minister Beverley Milligan
Prayer of Comfort	Bishop J. E. Graham
Psalm 23 (Unison)	Congregation

Family Reflections  
Elder Phyllis R. Horsey

Solo	Minister Mary Rucker
Eulogy	Bishop James E. Graham
	Pastor, New Covenant Christian Center, Greensboro, NC

The Committal

Benediction	Bishop Graham
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Farewell Reflections

Trusting in God, we have prayed together for Vickie and now we come to the last farewell. There is sadness in parting, but we take comfort in the hope that one day we shall see her again and enjoy her love and friendship. Although this congregation will disperse in sorrow, the mercy of God will gather us together again in the joy of His kingdom.

We’ll Remember You  
Author: Jilchristy Dee

*We’ll remember you in sunshine  
it’s rays warming earth and sky  
We’ll remember you in bird’s graceful wings  
as they glide and flutter by*

*We’ll remember you in the summer breeze  
and in softly falling rain  
We’ll remember you in dark storm clouds  
the rainbow’s picture frame*

*We’ll remember you in blossoms  
and fields and in gentle streams that flow  
We’ll remember you in all that lives...  
all that brings life... that grows*

*We’ll remember you in the mountains  
when golden leaves fall at our feet  
We’ll remember you when glowing sunsets  
cast sparkling embers on the beach*

*We’ll remember you in the Christmas lights  
glimmering bright with joy and hope  
We’ll remember you when white winter storms  
cover canyon, field and slope*

*We’ll remember you when we’re at our best  
keep your mem’ry close during darkest days  
We’ll remember you when each day dawns  
in these simple, yet precious ways*

*Moment by moment we’ll remember you,  
you’ll never be too far away  
Because we’ll keep you in our hearts  
each and every day*