



**FLOWER BEARERS**  
Deaconesses, Piney Grove Baptist Church

**PALL BEARERS**  
Deacons, Piney Grove Baptist Church

### *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.*

***We also appreciate the professional  
and compassionate care that Mother received from:***  
*Mt. Zion Baptist Church Senior Life Enrichment Center  
Dr. Stephanie Myers- WFU Baptist Medical Center  
Internal Medicine Staff (Country Club Road)  
Kate B. Reynolds Hospice and Palliative Care Center*

### **THE FAMILY**



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### CELEBRATION OF CHRISTIAN VICTORY FOR *Mrs. Eva Brown Hairston*



*"Better is one day in your courts than a thousand elsewhere;  
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God"...*  
Psalm 84:10 NIV

**SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2018**  
**1:00 p.m.**

**PINEY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**4715 INDIANA AVENUE**  
**WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA**

**REVEREND DR. JAMES F. LINVILLE, PASTOR/OFFICIATING**

OBITUARY

Mrs. Eva Brown Hairston, 98, was born to the late Saint Brown and Pearl Sprinkle Brown in Clemmons, North Carolina on April 13, 1919. She was educated in the schools of Davie County.

Eva Brown was married to Paul Alexander Hairston on May 2, 1934. Paul and Eva moved to the Piney Grove Community in the 1930's and their marriage was blessed with the birth of five daughters, Clara, Jacqueline, Mary, Linda and Debra. The couple had been married for 52 years at the time of Paul's death on September 22, 1986.

Mrs. Hairston joined Piney Grove Baptist Church in 1948 and maintained that membership for the remainder of her life. She was a charter member of the church's Senior Usher Board and she faithfully served in that ministry for over fifty years. She retired from active participation in 2005. And her dedicated service as an usher gave rise to her holding emeritus status. She also gave service as a part of the Piney Grove Women's Progressive Club Ministry.

Eva was an inspector at R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. She was a dedicated employee for forty-six years prior to her retirement from the company.

Mrs. Eva Brown Hairston departed this earthly life from Kate B. Reynolds Hospice Home and Palliative Care Center in Winston-Salem on March 1, 2018, following a period of illness. In addition to her parents and her husband, she was preceded in death by three daughters, Jacqueline Hairston, Mary H. Eldridge and Linda Hairston; three sisters, Beulah Imes, Flora Miller and Lena Brown; four brothers, Charlie, Sam, Joe and Clifton Brown; a devoted son-in-law, Edward C. Pate; and a grandson, Paul C. Pate.

Those family members who survive and who will forever cherish loving memories of her include three daughters, Clara Pate of Chicago, IL, her devoted caregiver, Debra Holmes and Pamela King, both of the city; five grandchildren, Quentin Holmes, Jr., Paula Pate, Terrence Glenn, Trivon Glenn and Danielle Glenn; nine great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; a special and devoted friend, Edward Donnell Oliver, Sr.; and many extended family members and friends.

Processional

Family Visitations  
12 Noon - 1:00 p.m.

Clergy and Family

ORDER OF SERVICE

Musical Selection

Piney Grove Church Choir

The Holy Scripture Reading

Old TestamentMinister John Torian

New TestamentMinister Velma McCloud

Prayer of Comfort

Minister Lorenzo Wesley

Musical Selection

Piney Grove Church Choir

**“God’s Grace”**

Church Resolution

Mrs. Linda Thorns

Resolution

Piney Grove Community

Hairston Family Reflections

Dr. Andrew J. Hairston

Minister Emeritus, Simpson St. Church of Christ, Atlanta, GA

Special Tribute

Ms. Bri'ana Brown

Musical Selection

Piney Grove Church Choir

**“Spirit Fall Down”**

Eulogy

Pastor James F. Linville

Pastor, Piney Grove Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC

Recessional

Piney Grove Church Choir

**“Goin’ Up Yonder”**

THE INTERMENT  
Piedmont Memorial Gardens  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

May I Go Now?

May I go now?  
Do you think the time is right?  
May I say goodbye to pain filled days  
and endless lonely nights?

I lived my life and done my best,  
an example I've tried to be.  
So can I take that step beyond the light  
and set my spirit free?

I didn't want to go at first,  
I fought with all my might.  
But something seems to draw me now  
to that warm and loving light.

I want to go, I really do,  
It's difficult to stay.  
But I will try as best I can  
to live just one more day.

To give you time to care for me  
and share your love and fears.  
I know you're sad and are afraid,  
because I see your tears.

I'll not be far, I promise that,  
and I hope you'll always know;  
that my spirit will be close to you  
wherever you may go.

Thank you so for loving me  
and know that I love you too.  
That's why it's hard to say goodbye  
and end this life with you.

So hold me now just one more time  
and let me hear you say,  
Because you care so much for me,  
you'll let me go today.

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