

Celebrating The Life of



Deacon Gwendolyn E. Hawkins

Sunrise
April 28, 1937

Sunset
November 8, 2011

Service

Friday, November 11, 2011 - 11:00 a.m.

ST. PAUL BAPTIST CHURCH

249 West 132nd Street
New York, NY 10030

Rev. Dr. V. Dwayne Battle, Pastor
Mr. Dexter Algood, Minister of Music

Reflections of Life

God promised me if I would but believe, Eternal life from Him I should receive; I did believe and found His promise true; I passed from death to life – was born anew.

Anonymous

Deacon Gwendolyn E. Hawkins the only child of Oscar and Mariam W. Witherspoon was born April 28, 1937 in Forsyth County, North Carolina.

She entered into eternal rest on Tuesday, November 8, 2011 at Kateri Nursing Care Facility in New York City.

At an early age, Gwendolyn accepted Jesus as her Lord and Savior and united with First Waughtown Baptist Church in Winston Salem, NC. Upon completing the school system of Winston Salem and graduating from Atkins High School, Gwendolyn along with her parents relocated to New York City.

Gwendolyn married Joseph Hawkins and from this union was born a daughter, Sabrina who passed away at a very young tender age. Gwendolyn was employed for many years at the Bronx Zoo where she worked faithfully until her retirement.

She was a fun, loving, caring person who would pray for you if needed always sending cards to fit whatever occasion, get well, birthday, etc.

Gwendolyn joined St. Paul Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Reverend Dr. Earl B. Moore whom she was very fond of during the early 1980's. She was ordained as a Deacon by Pastor Moore in 1994. Gwendolyn also served on the Nurses Unit. Gwendolyn will be greatly missed by her family, church family and many friends.

She leaves to cherish fond memories: a host of cousins in NC; her St. Paul Church family; her coworkers, and other relatives and friends.

Lovingly Submitted
The Family

Order of Service

Prelude

Processional

Hymn of Comfort

Invocation

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Psalm 90:1-10

New Testament John 14:1-12

Acknowledgments/Resolution Church Clerk

Reflections one minute please

Obituary

Solo

Eulogy Rev. Dr. V. Dwayne Battle

Benediction

Recessional

*Final services and interment will be held
Sunday, November 13, 2011 - 2:30 p.m. at
First Waughtown Baptist Church • Winston Salem, NC*


Interment

Evergreen Cemetery


Winston Salem, North Carolina

(please turn on headlights and hazards for cemetery procession.)

Rest Safely In His Care



*There are many things in life
That we cannot understand
But we must trust God's judgment
And be guided by His hand
You toiled so hard for those you loved
Your love for you family was true
You did your best for all of us
And we will always remember you
Only God knows how much we'll miss you
And how much you meant to us
Though your smile is gone forever
And your love we cannot touch
Yet we'll have as sweet memory
Of the one we loved so much
For many years, the family chain
was closely linked together
But, oh! That chain is broken now
Another link is gone forever.*



Acknowledgement

*The family wishes to thank each and everyone for their
many acts of kindness shown at this time of sorrow.
May God forever bless and keep you all.*

Funeral Arrangements Entrusted to:

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