

*Home
Going
Celebration
for*

Mary Mealing Peagler

*Sunrise
June 3, 1935*

*Sunset
September 29, 2012*

*Service
Friday, October 5, 2012 - 11:30 a.m.*

ROY L. GILMORE'S FUNERAL HOME, INC.

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St. Albans, New York 11412

Rev. Roger C. Williams, Officiating

Reflections of Mary Mealing Peagler

On June 3, 1935, **Mary Louise Mealing** became the sixth child born to Evans and Altenia Mealing. Mary enjoyed a long and blessed life until recent sickness required God's mercy to end her journey on Saturday, September 29, 2012.

At the age of twelve Mary was baptized at the First Baptist Church in Glen Cove and began to sing God's praises as a member of the Junior Choir, performed in holiday plays and participated in special programs.

Mary graduated from Glen Cove High School with the Class of 1954 where she had initiated many enduring friendships.

As a young lady Mary had the gifts of natural beauty, a "down-to-earth" personality and a desire to find the positive attributes in everyone. She loved GOOD music, well-maintained dance floors and all occasions which promoted celebration.

In her first position after graduation Mary performed as a Telephone Operator for the New York Telephone Company, a position she held for six years. That experience was followed by a seventeen year period which included positions with the Red Cross, Fairchild-Republic, and Roosevelt Raceway.

In February 1974 Mary married William Peagler, however this union was short-lived. During her career at Fairchild-Republic she met Curtis Francis in September of 1977. Prior to her sickness she and Curtis had maintained their own service business for fourteen years. Their loving relationship continued until the Lord called her to take residency on High.

Mary had a profound love for her family, especially the young folks; she loved the opportunity to mentor them and cherished conversation which allowed her to share her business and social experiences at "teachable moments".

Mary was predeceased by her parents, Evans and Altenia Mealing, sisters, Easter Mealing, Yvonne Mealing Myers, Joan Mealing Cumbo, brothers, Melvin Mealing and Evans Mealing Jr.

She leaves to mourn: a loving and long time companion, Curtis Francis; sisters, Diane Mealing Morgan and Penny Mealing; brothers, Jesse Mealing and Edward Mealing; sisters-in-law, Cathleen Mealing and Virginia Mealing; a loving foster sister, Berry Carsen; a loving foster brother, Albert Bostic; and a host of adoring nieces, nephews and friends.

*For all the things which God has made there is a time and a season
We, the family are grateful to God for the "season" of Mary and the
gift of abundant "time" provided to us to know and love her.
With Joy in our hearts we release back to your loving care
this vessel which held the soul of our beloved Mary.*

Hold To God's Unchanging Hand

Time is filled with swift transition,
Naught of earth unmoved can stand,
Build your hopes on things eternal,
Hold to God's unchanging hand.

Refrain

*Hold to God's unchanging hand,
Hold to God's unchanging hand;
Build your hopes on things eternal,
Hold to God's unchanging hand.*

Trust in Him who will not leave you,
Whatsoever years may bring,
▪ If by earthly friends forsaken
Still more closely to Him cling.

Refrain

Covet not this world's vain riches
That so rapidly decay,
Seek to gain the heav'nly treasures,
They will never pass away.

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When your journey is completed,
If to God you have been true,
Fair and bright the home in glory
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Order of Service

Presiding Rev. Roger C. Williams

Prayer of Comfort Rev. Roger C. Williams

Hymn of Comfort “Hold To God’s Unchanging Hand”

Scripture Reading

 Old Testament

 New Testament

Memorial Selection

Acknowledgements/Obituary S. Goodine

Eulogy Rev. Roger C. Williams



Entombment

Plainlawn Cemetery
Hicksville, New York

I've Changed My Address

I've changed my address to Heaven
I've crossed the Great Divide.
I know there's no sorrow or crying,
Because I've reached the other side.
I am so happy to be here, for the Lord Himself I see.
I've changed my address to Heaven,
That's the place where you'll find me.
I've changed my address to Heaven,
I bid this world goodbye.
I now live forever with Jesus in my new home in the sky.
I have no burdens or heartaches
and from tears I am now free.
I've changed my address to Heaven,
That's the place to find me.
I've changed my address to Heaven,
I'm safe forevermore. For the Lord built a mansion
and my name is on the door.
You can find us walking together,
for where He is, I'll always be.
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-Author unknown

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May God Bless and Keep You!*

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