

A Grandmother is...

*A grandmother is one of life's best gifts,
Someone to treasure all life through,*

*She's caring and loving,
Thoughtful and true,*

Someone who is always a special part of your life,

Someone who holds a prime place in your heart,

She's a mentor, a confidant and also a friend,

Someone on whose love you can depend.

A grandmother always has your best interests at heart

She's someone so dear and so good,

She's a blessing, she's a gift

She's a treasure like no other,

She's someone that is truly wonderful,

Wherever you go, and whatever you do,

A grandmother's love will always see you through,

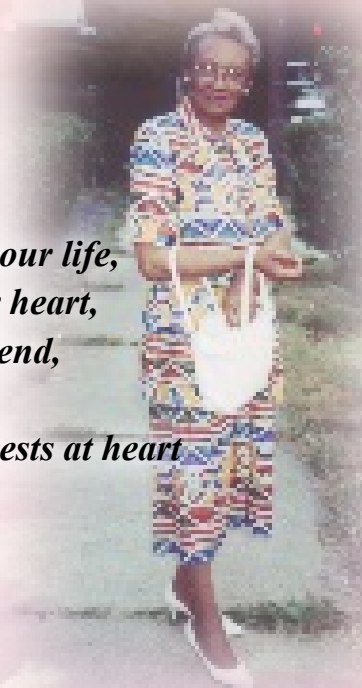
A grandmother is truly invaluable,

Indispensable and unforgettable

I wouldn't want anyone but you,

And that's why I'm so grateful,

That life picked you for me.



In Loving Memory of
Ada Bell Small

Sunrise
June 24, 1916

Sunset
February 12, 2014



Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.

Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.

Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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Service

Wednesday, February 19, 2014 - 12:00 Noon

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses

71 Renner Avenue
Newark, New Jersey

Bro. A. Drayton, Officiating

Order of Service

Processional

Song

Prayer

Mama's Story

Memorial Talk

Song

Prayer

Recessional

Entombment

Hollywood Cemetery
Union, New Jersey

Repast

The Mansion

42-48 Renner Avenue • Newark, NJ 07112

Gone But Not Forgotten
We sat beside your bedside,
Our hearts were crushed and sore:
We did our best to the end,
'Til we could do no more,
In tears we watched you sinking,
We watched you fade away;
And though our hearts were breaking,
We knew you could not stay.
You left behind some aching hearts,
That loved you most sincere;
We never shall and never will
Forget you mother dear.

Momma's Story

Ada B. (Joyner) Small She was the tenth of eleven children born on June 24, 1916 to the late Haywood and Hattie Joyner in Rocky Mount, North Carolina.

Ada entered into eternal peace on Wednesday, February 12, 2014 surrounded by family at her side.

She spent her childhood and early adult years in Rocky Mount, North Carolina. She was educated in the Rocky Mount school system. As an adult Ada was a domestic engineer for many years. Ada had such a lasting impact on all that crossed her path that many years later a man, cared for as a child came to find her to thank her for the influence she had on him and his family and wanted her to know he never forgot her.

After many years in the South, Ada relocated to Newark, NJ in 1958. This was a brand new start for her and her children. Ada's first job in New Jersey was working at a leather warehouse. After many years at this job, she started a new career as a home health aide and held this position until she retired.

Ada loved Jehovah's ministry, and was baptized December 6, 1986. As a Jehovah's Witness her commitment to service to Jehovah was untiring until her health prevented her.

Ada was such a shining star and made a lasting impression on everyone she came in contact with, such so she became affectionately known to not only her children and grandchildren as Mama but to friends as well. Her peaceful demeanor, words of encouragement, pleasant smile and welcoming heart always made people comfortable. There is not one person who ever met with Mama who can't tell you a good story or moment they shared with her.

Mama was the true matriarch of her family. She gave them all a love like no other. She was always there, even after retirement she took care of most of her grandchildren until they were school age. She was the family's best cook and always had a hot meal she could whip up. Her family especially loved her pineapple coconut cake, chocolate cake and waking up to biscuits and molasses. She has given her family so much love, many valuable lessons and memories to last a lifetime.

Ada was preceded in death by her parents (Haywood and Hattie Joyner), seven brothers (James, Raymond, Colin, Kel, Daniel, Herbert and Buster), two sisters (Pearl and Mildred), two sons (Joseph Jr. and Hendrix Small), one daughter in law (Stephanie Small) and husband (Joseph Small Sr.).

Mama leaves to cherish her loving, precious memories and continue her legacy: daughters, Delores Joyner of East Orange, NJ, Linda B. Jones (Raymond) of North Plainfield, NJ and Martha B. Small of Newark, NJ; sister, Effie Edge of Rocky Mount, NC; daughter in law Carmella Small of Newark, NJ; longtime devoted family friend, Michael Ligon, Hillside, NJ; eleven grandchildren, twenty-two great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

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