



Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
 there is no shadow of turning with thee;
 thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
 as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
 Morning by morning new mercies I see:
 all I have needed thy hand hath provided--
 Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

With Our Heartfelt Thanks

...that we through the patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope, (Romans 15)
God has given us our church family, neighbors and dear friends, to help us as we go forward.
God's Word has been manifested through your many expressions of sympathy and support;
we praise God from whom all blessings flow. Thank you for honoring the memory of our
 beloved **Louise** and for remembering us during her illness and passing. In addition to her family
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 our Relatives and Friends. Your thoughtfulness will forever remind us of your love and
 support. May God continue to keep you in His tender care. In our risen Lord, **we have peace
 that passes all understanding.**

The Bigham and Moton Family

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MRS. LOUISE BIGHAM MOTON

APRIL 28, 1927 — JANUARY 2, 2021



The Family Tribute

Mrs. Louise Bigham Moton, 93, of Statesville, peacefully entered into eternal rest on Saturday, January 2, 2021, at her home surrounded by family. She was born in Iredell County on April 28, 1927, and was the daughter of the late Gadson George Bigham and Mary Bell Ramsey Brown Bigham. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Charles Warner Brown and Gadson Bigham, Jr. and a sister, Margaret B. Booker. At one time she was married to James A. Moton, who survives.

She spent her formative years in Statesville, NC and was a graduate from Morningside High School. She received her undergraduate degree and graduate degree from North Carolina College at Durham, now North Carolina Central University. She was an educator and taught school in Winton, NC, High Point, NC, and returning to Statesville, NC in January of 1971 to Iredell-Statesville School System, Statesville, NC. She joined the staff of Rutledge and Bigham Funeral Home as a part-time employee and received her funeral director's license in 1963. Following her retirement from the school system, she enrolled at Pittsburgh Institute of Mortuary Science and received a diploma as a Graduate Mortician and received her NC license as a mortician after successfully passing the National Conference of Funeral Examining Board and then joined the staff of Rutledge and Bigham as a full-time employee. When her mother, Mary B. Bigham, became ill in the 70's, she took over the business. At the death of her mother in 1980, she and her sister, the late Margaret B. Booker and her brother, the late Charles Brown, became the owners of Rutledge and Bigham. She became the General Manager and operator of the funeral home. She was also Licensed Funeral Director, Embalmer, Pre-need Sales Person, was co-owner of Clyburn and Bigham Mortuary in Mooresville, NC. She returned from Rutledge and Bigham Mortuary, Inc. in Statesville retiring in 2013. At the time of her death she was the President of Rutledge and Bigham Mortuary

The growth of the business began as a three-room storefront on Garfield Street in 1922 and expanded to a full-service business. She added a Chapel, which she named in memory of her mother, Mary B. Bigham Memorial Chapel, the Rutledge and Bigham Scholarship, The Charles Warner Brown Memorial Scholarship; The Annual Memorial Service and Anniversary Celebration, and numerous other services.

Her community involvement was extensive, serving as a Charter member of Crime Stoppers; Life member of the NAACP; former member of First Baptist Church on Garfield Street serving on numerous committees and she later joined Logan Presbyterian Church, USA in Scotts. She was a past member of the Statesville Housing Authority, Board of Directors, The American Legion Auxiliary, and the Malissa Chapter Order of the Eastern Star. She was a member of Garfield Senior Citizens Club, founding member and Past President of the Piedmont District Funeral Directors Association, a life member of the Funeral Directors and Morticians Association of NC, Inc, and a life member of the National Funeral Directors and Morticians Association and has served on various committees on the District, State and National Levels.

She leaves to cherish the memory of her life, her former husband and devoted friend, James A. Moton of Charlotte; her son, James David (Enrika) Moton, Sr. of Statesville; her daughter-in-love, Bernardeane H. Moton of Statesville, NC; two grandsons, James David (Christina) Moton, Jr. of Wilmington, NC and Matthew Bernard Moton of Statesville; two great grandchildren, Naomi Christina Moton and James David Moton, III, both of Wilmington, NC; a brother-in-law, Cothe P. Booker of Winston-Salem, NC; her goddaughter, Bernardette H. Davis of Durham; her god grandchildren, Crystal Malea Davis of Durham, NC and Alexis Taylor Davis of Winston-Salem, NC; her god great granddaughter, Milani Marian Harper of Durham, NC; a host of nieces and nephews including Jeannette Louise Brown of Glastonbury, CT and Charles (MaryLee) Brown, Jr. of Hardwick, Vermont; a host of sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, cousins, The Thomas and Louise Moton Family; The Ramsey Family; The Horton Family, The John "Flick" Hardy Family (Wanda, Dimishi and Angel), The Logan Presbyterian Church Family, The Rutledge and Bigham Funeral Directors, Staff and Family including Michael McClelland, Shelby Misher, Flake "Chris" Huggins, Nelda Davis, Priscilla Dudley, Donna Lackey, Hobart Mays, Joey Clyburn, and Bishop Wilford (Deborah) Walls; Joseph T. (Evelyn) Clyburn, Sr. and The Clyburn and Bigham Family, The Rutledge and Bigham Scholarship Committee, The Volunteer Support Staff of Rutledge and Bigham Funeral Home; The Volunteer Support Staff of Clyburn and Bigham Funeral Home; Funeral Directors and Morticians, The Green Street Neighbors, numerous organizations, countless families, former students, classmates, and friends.

A Service of Witness to the Resurrection for

Mrs. Louise Bigham Moton

Friday, January 8, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

Rutledge and Bigham Funeral Home

Statesville, North Carolina

Reverend Kaye Barrow Ziglar, *Officiating, Pastor of Logan Presbyterian Church, USA*

The Order of Service

Call to Worship

(Based on John 14:1-7)

One: Jesus said: 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me.'

Many: We believe in Jesus Christ, whose resurrection gives us eternal life.

One: Jesus said with blessed assurance: In my Father's house, there are many dwelling places.'

Many: Dwelling places prepared for us, children of God.

One: Jesus promised: If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you there myself, so that where I am, there you may be also.'

Many: We give thanks for the promise that when it is time for us to leave our earthly lives, Jesus carries us home to be with God.

One: Jesus said: 'You know the way to the place where I am going,' but Thomas had doubts:

'Many: Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?'

One: Jesus said to him: 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life.'

Many: We gather today to celebrate life and to bear witness to the resurrection.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sarah E. Weaver (c) 2015

Prelude

Call to Worship

Reverend Kaye Barrow-Ziglar

Opening Prayer

+Opening Hymn: "*Blessed Assurance*"

Scripture

Prayer of Comfort

Special Music: "*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*" Reverend David Ramsey

Family Reflections/Remarks

Words of Comfort: "Revelation 21:1-7" Reverend Kaye Barrow-Ziglar

The Apostle's Creed

Prayer of Thanksgiving Reverend David Ramsey

The Committal

+Recessional Selection: "Wind Beneath My Wings"

In the procession to the cemetery, please remember to turn on your headlights, take caution at all intersections, and fasten your seatbelts for safety.

Horse Drawn Carriage

Please remain prayerful as we go to the final resting place

At The Belmont Cemetery

The Placing of the Casket

The Final Departure