A Celebration of Life And In Loving Memory of Karen Ann Nelson, Ph. D.

Sunrise September 19, 1943 Sunset January 12, 2020



Saturday, January 18, 2020 12:00 Noon Lutheran Church of the Redeemer 51 Wilmington Island Drive Reverend Steve Hilgeman, Pastor, Officiating

Obituary

On Sunday, January 12, 2020, Karen (Kay) Ann Nelson, Ph.D. passed away at Candler Hospital. She was born in Detroit, Michigan. She was preceded in death by her parents, Mr. Moses and Leola Bell; and son, Darren Eggleston.

Dr. Nelson was married to the love of her life for 50 years and 6 months. Dr. Nelson educational background includes Chabot College, CA; Sonoma State University, CA; Eastern Washington University, Cheney, WA; and she earned the Ph. D. Degree in Psychology from Walden University in Minnesota.

Dr. Nelson leaves to cherish her memories, her loving and devoted children, Marv (Angela) Eggleston, Daryl Nelson, Terren Nelson, Chanta (Rodney) Collins, James E. (Shannon) Nelson, and Tonva R. (Eduardo) Nelson-Feliz: granddaughters, Kyla Ann Nelson, Andriah Nelson, Shannon (Darius) Andrews, Terra Sampson, Diamond Nelson, Fallon Nelson, Tedreana Nelson, Ciedra Nelson, and Chanta Nelson; grandsons, James Nelson, Joshua Nelson, Terrance Nelson, Abram Jackson, Wesley Eggleston, and Justin Eggleston; one brother, Donald Bell; brothers and sisters-in-law, Lillie Mae (John) Hubbard, Gloria (Earl) Turner, Edward (Vivian) Nelson, and Earnestine Nelson; nieces and nephews, Pricilla (Leland) King, John Hubbert, Jr., Eric (Montez) Nelson, Tremain (Kara) Nelson, Vanessa Turner, LaTasha Nelson, and Jeanelle Turner; and a host of other family members and friends.

Order of Service

Prelude Beryl Dandy

Processional

Liturgy of the Word Rev. Steve Hilgeman

Hymn "Hold To God's Unchanging Hand"

(Verses 1, 2 & 4)

Invocation Reverend Dr. Al Cunningham

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament Deaconess Estelline Beamon

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

New Testament Deacon Cedric Beamon

Romans 8:38-39

The Gospel Reverend Dr. James Thomas St. John 14:1-14

A Tribute to Granny Kyla Ann Nelson

Reflections: Wilma Garing

Jackie Torro

Reverend Dr. James Thomas Reverend Brenda Stendman

The Obituary Soft Music

Hymn "I Am On The Battlefield For My Lord"

Eulogy Reverend Lolita Hickman

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Life up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

C: It it right to give Him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosana, Hosana
Hosana, Hosana in the highest. Blessed is he who
Comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosana in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life....Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C: Our father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Gove us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not onto temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

Holy Communion

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Post Communion Prayer

AM: As we reflect upon the greatness of God in this Holy Communion, let us pray.

C: Holy One, we give thanks that in this bread and cup we have feasted again on your endless love. Let that love overflow more and more in our loves, that we may be messengers to prepare your way, harvesters of justice and righteousness, and bearers of your eternal Word, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE PASTORAL RITE COMMENDATION

All: Amen

P: Let us go forth in peace.

C: In the name of Christ. Amen.

Hymn

"We'll Understand It Better By and By"

Recessional

Interment

Tuesday, January 21, 2020 2:00 PM

Resthaven Gardens of Memory Of Dekalb County 2285 South Candler Road Decatur. GA 30032

Repast

Please join the family for fellowship and dinner here at the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer immediately following the services. Repast prepared by Good Shepard Lutheran Church, Garden City, GA.

Hold To God's Unchanging Hand

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

(Chorus)

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

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

When your journey is completed, If to God you have been true, Fair and bright the home in Glory Your enraptured soul will view.

I'm On The Battlefield For My Lord (Chorus)

I am on the battlefield for my Lord, I'm on the battlefield for my Lord. And I promised him that I Would serve him 'til I die I'm on the battlefield for my Lord.

I was alone and idle, I was a sinner too
I heard a voice from heaven, saying there is work to do.
I took the Master's hand and I joined the Christian band
I'm on the battlefield for my Lord.

I left my friends and kindred bound for the Promised Land, The grace of God upon me, the Bible in my hands. In distant lands I trod, crying "Sinner come to God" I'm on the battlefield for my Lord.

Now when I met my Savior, I met him with a smile He healed my wounded spirit, and owned me as his child. Around the Throne of Grace, he appoints my soul a place I'm on the battlefield for my Lord.

We'll Understand It Better By and By

We are tossed and driven on the restless sea of time; somber skies and howling tempests oft succeed a bright sunshine; in that land of perfect day, when the mists are rolled away, we will understand it better by and by.

Refrain:

By and by, when the morning comes, when the saints of God are gathered home, we'll tell the story how we've overcome, for we'll understand it better by and by.

2. We are often destitute of the things that life demands, want of food and want of shelter, thirsty hills and barren lands; we are trusting in the Lord, and according to God's word, we will understand it better by and by.

(Refrain)

3. Trials dark on every hand, and we cannot understand all the ways of God would lead us to that blessed promised land; but he guides us with his eye, and we'll follow till we die, for we'll understand it better by and by. (Refrain)

4. Temptations, hidden snares
often take us unawares,
and our hearts are made to bleed
for a thoughtless word or deed;
and we wonder why the test
when we try to do our best,
but we'll understand it better by and by.
(Refrain)

Active Pallbearers Members of the Family

Floral Attendants Family and Friends

Acknowledgements

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