



Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle

March 5, 1933 - October 8, 2017

MISSIONARY MYRTLE BEATRICE TYSON BATTLE, our beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend, is now safely in the arms of Jesus Christ. She answered her Lord's call and took her heavenly flight on Saturday, October 7, 2017. We are confident that she heard those glorious words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant...enter thou into the joy of thy Lord" (Matthew 25:21).

Missionary Battle was born at Ballards Crossroads on March 5, 1933 to the late Ernest Tyson and Sarah Wooten Tyson Dupree. She married James Edward Battle, who preceded her in death on December 11, 1971.

Missionary Battle was educated in the Pitt County Schools and spent her entire life in Pitt County. She was a hard worker, and she loved to excel in her work. Following several domestic jobs and employment at local tobacco factories, she became employed at Burroughs Wellcome Company, where she worked for twenty-three years with a perfect attendance record.

Missionary Battle was a faithful and participatory member of Mt. Calvary Free Will Baptist (FWB) Church and joined this ministry at the age of 14. In 1998, the late Dr. Elmer Jackson, Jr., former Pastor of Mt. Calvary FWB Church, observed her mission-driven work and subsequently appointed her as a Missionary. Given her God-given talents and love for singing, she joined the Mt. Calvary Senior Choir where she sang for many years.

She later sang with the Ruth Hill Gospel Chorus and with the United Voices of Calvary. One of her favorite songs was "This Little Light Of Mine." We thank

God that she is now singing in the ultimate choir in Heaven.

Missionary Battle taught new beginners Bible Study at Mt. Calvary FWB Church in the early nineties and many of her students are now Mothers, Deacons and Ministers of the Gospel in the church. Over the years, she fellowshiped with Faith and Victory (now Reimage Church), Wells Chapel COGIC, The Church of God Prophecy and the former Arlington Boulevard Baptist Church.

Missionary Battle had a heart for service and outreach. She volunteered for many years at the local nursing homes; visited hospitals and assisted living facilities to share the good news of Jesus Christ with the elderly and the distressed populations. Also, she volunteered for the Salvation Army and rang bells during the Christmas holidays to raise philanthropic support for the economically-disadvantaged. We are grateful for the many introductions to Jesus Christ that she facilitated with unyielding zeal. As a part of her weekly routine, she purchased, distributed and ministered biblical tracks and other biblical literature, passionately promoting a life in Jesus Christ. Around the local Piggly Wiggly grocery store, she was known as the “track lady.”

Missionary Battle lived her life with zest and purpose, possessing a sweet and caring spirit combined with a sincere love of sharing God’s Plan of Salvation. Missionary Battle had several passions in addition to her relationship with Jesus Christ and the work in the ministry. Playing the piano and sharing that gift with the residents of various care facilities filled her heart with joy. Another passion was beautifying and maintaining a well-manicured yard. She thoroughly enjoyed working with the Board of Elections, (#6 Precinct). Finally, she loved to fish and was always successful in her endeavors.

In the midst of these joys, her greatest delight was being surrounded by her children, grandchildren, and other family members. Family was very important to her, and there was nothing more precious to Missionary Battle than her seven children. Her children were the pride of her life, and thanks be unto God for the blessings, godly wisdom and the Word of God that she instilled in them. As her caretakers over the past twelve years, she would

convey her unwavering love to her children through hugs and by saying “thank you.” Her battle with dementia was fought with courage, love, strong faith, and an unwavering support system from family and friends. Missionary Battle was also very proud of her fifteen grandchildren and their educational pursuits and life accomplishments.

She will be missed greatly and remembered affectionately for her unconditional love. However, we are comforted in knowing that she is home to live eternally with her Heavenly Father. While illness robbed Missionary Battle of her ability to communicate effectively in later years, she would still call on the name of Jesus Christ.

Missionary Battle’s legacy and fondest memories are left with her children, a son: Pastor William L. Battle (Ann), Garner, NC; six daughters, Mary B. Baker, Pike Road, AL, Reverend Sadie B. Atkinson (Robert) Clinton, MD, Annie Richardson, Suitland, MD, Betty Hines (Donnie), Missionary Carolyn Parker (Superintendent Parker), and Brenda Battle-Simms (George), all of Greenville, NC. Fifteen grandchildren: Dalvin Keith

Worthington (Erica), Frazier Lavell Atkinson (Evette), Joycelyn Dacyl Ward, Maurice Hines, Beatrice Shontel Parker (Roderick), Eric Hines, Angel Parker, Corey Atkinson, Naomi Parker, Derek Hines, K. Nicole Parker, Crystal Hines, A.J. Parker, Jr., Brittany Battle (Wilson) and Brianna Battle; ten great grandchildren. Two sisters, Ernestine Tyson Smith and Shirley Ebron-Rountree (Jerry), Greenville, NC and a cousin, Minister Sereda Palmer,

Smithfield, NC, who was just like a sister. “Ma” or “Mamma”, as she was affectionately called, was shown much love by and accepted the following as her “surrogate” children and extended family: Eula Younger, Stephanie Boyd (Willie), Stephanie Grate (James),

Jim and Rene Cairns, William Knight, Jackie and Norma Barrett, Dorothy Richardson, Elder Dennis and Sylvia Purvis. She thoroughly enjoyed the friendship of Ms. Dorothy Marsh, who was more than a friend. She also leaves her legacy of love to many neighborhood youth, cousins, other relatives and

friends.

Thank You Mom

Your smiles could brighten any moment,

Your hugs put joy in all our days,

Your love will stay with us forever,

And touch our life in precious ways...

The values you've taught,

the care you've given,

and the wonderful love you've shown,

have enriched our lives

in more ways than we can count.

Loving you and already missing you.

Your Seven Heartbeats

Mae, Sadie, Joyce, Jean, Cal, Bren and Vone

Cemetery Details

Homestead Memorial Gardens

4251 E. 10th Street
Greenville, NC 27858

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **12**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Calvary Free Will Baptist Church
411 Watauga Avenue
Greenville, NC 27834

Service

OCT **13**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle*

October 06, 2023 at 05:52 AM



“ *Hey grandma...*

Been thinking about you. Thank you for showing me what true wisdom and accountability looks like. Thank you for showing me what integrity and hard work could provide. Thank you for showing me what responsibility should be. Thank you for showing me what true contentment is. Thank you for showing me what sacrifice could produce. Thank you for showing me what self-less love is all about. Thank you for showing me the Way, the Truth, and the Light. Rest well... (Dacyl Ward)

Dacyl Ward - January 29, 2018 at 12:43 PM



“ *Congleton Funeral Home And Staff sent a virtual gift in memory of Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle*



Congleton Funeral Home and Staff - November 01, 2017 at 09:54 AM

BC

“ *This was the sweetest person anybody would love know. Whenever you was in her presence, she had such a repoire that was so infectious that it would leave a impact on you. Sleep on Mother and I know you will have a story to tell Jesus. We are praying for you family.*

Love

Elder Johnny & Barbara Chapman & Family

Barbara Chapman - October 13, 2017 at 10:21 AM

LU

“ *Linda Umphlett lit a candle in memory of Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle*



Linda Umphlett - October 13, 2017 at 08:08 AM

AW

“ *Offering sincere sympathies to family and friends of Ms. Myrtle. I will always remember her sweet smile. She was a hard working Christian lady. May God give each of you strength, comfort, and peace now and in the days ahead, as only He can provide.*
www.griefshare.org



Alice Windom Whitley - October 13, 2017 at 12:30 AM

TF

“ *Teresea Randolph And Family lit a candle in memory of Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle*



Teresea Randolph and family - October 12, 2017 at 07:39 PM

VK

“ *Vanessa Kornegay lit a candle in memory of Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle*



Vanessa Kornegay - October 12, 2017 at 06:46 PM

AG

“ *I am sorry for the loss of your Mother, May the Lord keep you all in his bosom, He can and will Comfort you.*



Ann Gilbert-Taft - October 12, 2017 at 04:38 PM

PS

“ *Phyllis Smith lit a candle in memory of Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle*



Phyllis Smith - October 12, 2017 at 04:24 PM

JJ

“ On behalf of the GI-C. M. Eppes High School Alumni Association, Inc. I offer greetings and condolences to the family of Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle, who most of us knew as Miss "B" when we were growing up with her children, our school mates. We want to thank her for her support of this Association and that of her children who continue, even up to including today, to make positive contributions to and for Dear Old Eppes High. It is a testament to the proper parenting skills of Miss "B" that her offspring are the pillars of their respective communities. Weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning. As the family goes through this night of mourning, please know that we are with you in our thoughts and prayers. Need not worry about Miss "B" for she has run her race and completed her taskings on this side of the river, gone to join our Creator in that place where He said he was going and that we may be with Him in the bye and bye. May the comfort of knowing that she does not deal with anymore earthly situations and circumstances bring a smile as you remember her and gentle touch. May God bless and keep you all in the hallow of His hands and bless you in a very special way.



*James Harper, Jr.
National President*

James Harper, Jr. - October 12, 2017 at 03:58 PM

DE

“ Dear family of Mother Battle,
My prayers are with you all at this time. I will always remember Mother Battle singing I can depend on God. She would bless my soul. Frankly no one else can sing or has sung that song. To God be the Glory for her ministry in song.
Deborah Hall Ebron

Deborah Ebron - October 12, 2017 at 02:45 PM

VE

“ *Vivian B. Edwards lit a candle in memory of Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle*



Vivian B. Edwards - October 12, 2017 at 10:33 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle.*



October 12, 2017 at 01:02 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle.*



October 11, 2017 at 08:52 PM

EN

“ *I met "Ms Myrtle B" as she was affectionately called and her daughters Carolyn & Mary when they all worked @ Burroughs Wellcome. Ms Myrtle B was a sweet soul who loved the Lord & His people, she always had a smile on her face & words of encouragement when you talked with her. To the family may the peace of God keep your hearts & mind in the days ahead.*

Evelyn Newton - October 11, 2017 at 06:40 PM

LR

“ *Lesia Davis - Wilson Parks & Recreation lit a candle in memory of Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle*



Lesia Davis - Wilson Parks & Recreation - October 11, 2017 at 06:04 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle.*



October 11, 2017 at 05:04 PM

NB

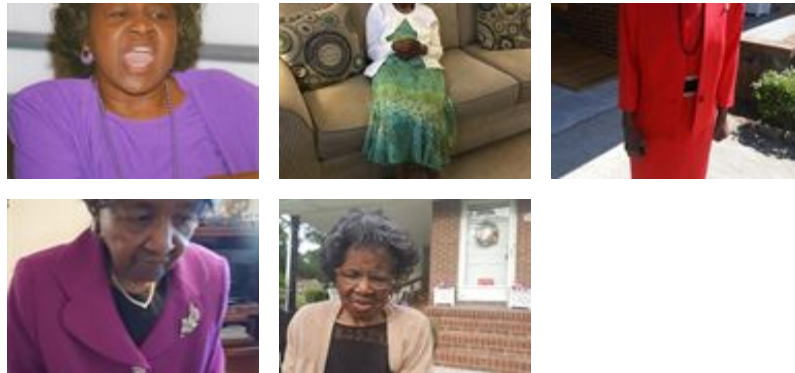
“ *Nina & Walter Blackwell lit a candle in memory of Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle*



Nina & Walter Blackwell - October 11, 2017 at 04:03 PM



“ 75 files added to the album Life Tributes



Congleton Memorial Mortuary - October 11, 2017 at 03:19 PM

RC

“ May God continue to bless and strengthen the family.
Ricky and Paulinda Council & Family

Ricky Council - October 11, 2017 at 01:51 PM

LT

“ *LINDA TAFT lit a candle in memory of
Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle*



LINDA TAFT - October 11, 2017 at 12:25 PM

KT

“ *Karen Sharp Thigpen lit a candle in memory
of Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle*



Karen Sharp Thigpen - October 11, 2017 at 09:54 AM

BW

“ *Ben Wooten lit a candle in memory of
Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle*



Ben Wooten - October 11, 2017 at 01:02 AM



“ *Janie Teele lit a candle in memory of
Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle*



Janie Teele - October 10, 2017 at 05:28 PM

MR

“ *Praying God's Comfort for Your Loss- Mary Roberson*

mary roberson - October 10, 2017 at 11:13 AM

DA

“ *Donnie Andrews sent a virtual gift in memory of
Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle*



Donnie Andrews - October 10, 2017 at 06:34 AM

MH

“ *Muriel Hines lit a candle in memory of
Missionary Myrtle Beatrice Tyson Battle*



Muriel Hines - October 09, 2017 at 07:47 PM