



Acknowledgement

We, the family, would like to express our deepest gratitude to our friends and loved ones for your support during this time.

We would like to thank The Reverend Denise Pickett for her services, and the staff of Lee's Funeral Home for their professional services and exceptional compassion.



Nelly E. Haughton

August 29, 1929 – March 11, 2015

Psalm 23

King James Version

¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

² He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

³ He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

⁴ Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

⁵ Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

Miss Me But Let Me Go

*When I come to the end of the road
And the sun has set for me
I want no rites in a gloom-filled room.
Why cry for a soul set free?
Miss me a little but not too long
And not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love that we once shared,
Miss me but let me go.
For this is a journey that we all must take
And each must go alone.
It's all a part of the Master's plan,
A step on the road to home.
When you are lonely and sick of heart
Go to the friends we know
And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds.
Miss Me But Let me Go!*

Scripture Readings

John 11:20-27

²⁰ Now Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met Him, but Mary was sitting in the house. ²¹ Now Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died." ²² But even now I know that whatever You ask of God, God will give You." ²³ Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." ²⁴ Martha said to Him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day." ²⁵ Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. ²⁶ And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?" ²⁷ She said to Him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that You are the Christ, the Son of God, who is to come into the world."

John 14:1-6

¹ "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. ² In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴ And where I go you know, and the way you know." ⁵ Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?" ⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."

Revelation 21:1-4

¹ Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. ² Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God. ⁴ And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

Celebrating the Life of

Nelly E. Haughton

August 29, 1929 - March 11, 2015

Monday, March 16, 2015 7:00 pm

Trinity United Methodist Church

130 South Lexington Avenue
White Plains, NY 10606

Officiating Minister

The Reverend Denise Pickett, Pastor

Homegoing Service

Welcome and Opening Prayer.....	Reverend Pickett
Congregational Hymn.....	<i>I Come to the Garden Alone</i> (#314 in United Methodist Hymnal)
Scripture Reading...John 11:20-27 (NKJV).....	Taylor Haughton
Scripture Reading . . . John 14:1-6 (NKJV)	Anissa Haughton
Hymn.....	<i>Precious Lord</i> (#474 in United Methodist Hymnal)
Reading of the Obituary.....	Simone Tharkur
Poetry selections	Alanna Cooper, Brittany Haughton
<i>Tributes from Loved Ones</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Beryl Dilworth• Reverend Paul Cooper• And others	
Scripture Reading...Revelation 21:1-4 (NKJV)	Zoe Cooper
Song selection.....	Amanda Gangoo
Song Selection.....	Ms. Verona Simonds
Eulogy and Closing Prayer of Comfort.....	Reverend Pickett
Closing Prayer.....	Reverend Pickett
Final Comments.	Lee's Funeral Home

Obituary

Nelly E. Smith was born on August 29, 1929 in Logwood, Jamaica to David and Thelma (“Nana”) Smith. Her siblings are Vibert, Sonny, Alexander, Pamela, Joyce and Connie. As a child, she attended the United Methodist Church and Caverly Preparatory School. In her teen years, she relocated to Port Antonio to develop her skills as a seamstress.

In 1954, Nelly Smith and Ronald Haughton were married at St. Paul Church in West Moreland, Jamaica. Their union produced 9 children: Marcia and Ronald Fitzgerald (twins), Claudette, Lawrence, Errol Michael, Pauline and Paula (twins), Paul and Dahlia.

Both master tailors by profession in Jamaica, in 1960 Nelly and Ronald migrated to England. After three years in the UK, they returned to Jamaica and lived for nine years.

In 1972, Nelly immigrated from Jamaica and stayed with her cousin Daphne Dilworth in New York. A year later, Ronald came to join Nelly, finding work at New York Hospital in White Plains, NY, where he would work for the next 16 years. Nelly went to school to study nursing, and worked as a certified nursing assistant at Tibbits Nursing Home for 21 years.

Although they arrived in the US in middle age without much money and fewer contacts, Ronald and Nelly built a happy and productive life in White Plains. They were able to purchase a house, and arranged for all nine children to eventually join them in New York. The Haughton home was a waystation for other West Indians immigrating to the US, and Ronald and Nelly diligently helped as many people as they could who needed a warm bed, a hot meal and a chance to get on their feet.

Ronald and Nelly enjoyed many good times together as they carefully cultivated a strong sense of discipline, faith, respect and optimism in their children and grandchildren. When Ronald passed from illness in December 1995, Nelly continued to care for people in need, had endless compassion and encouragement for the weary, and always maintained a genuine tenderness for the very young and the weak. Nelly enjoyed being with her family and doting on her grandchildren. Some of her favorites past times were cooking and baking.

In early 2015, Nelly was hospitalized for congestive heart failure; an illness from which she never recovered. On March 11, Nelly passed from this world. She died peacefully quoting Scripture, and surrounded by her children, grandchildren, and a host of loved ones. She is survived by her siblings, Vibert, Pamela, Joyce and Connie; her 9 children, 27 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

Nelly is remembered as an adoring wife, loving mother, devoted grandmother and a faithful friend. She was a true saint of Christ and has gone on to her reward. She is missed; but none can deny that she is now in a better place with her God who loved her best.