



## Alberta E. Swiggett

August 24, 1940 - May 23, 2015

On May 23, 2015, the Lord called home one of his angels, Alberta Elaine Swiggett, affectionately known to everyone who knew and loved her as Mom or "Berta".

She was born on August 24, 1940 to the late Edward and Jennette Brown. Alberta attended primary school in Smyrna, Delaware and secondary school at Simon Gratz High School in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

As a young child, Alberta attended Bethel A.M.E. Church of Philadelphia with her mother and sisters, where she was baptized.

Alberta met and married Edward Swiggett, Sr. on April 29, 1966. From this union, they had 10 children. Berta had a heart so full of love that she shared it with many children throughout the years. She fostered many through the Foster Care Program of Delaware. She also cared for many kids by way of her private "babysitting" service. 'Berta was a Mom-Mom to countless number of children. Children were her passion and legacy. Alberta also enjoyed watching movies, playing spades and reading her gossip magazine and the daily newspaper.

Alberta was preceded in death. by her mother, Jennette Brown-Forrest; step-father, James H. Forrest, Sr.; sisters, Dorothy Bolden and Edna Brown and nephew, Paul Young, Jr.

She leaves to mourn her husband of 49 years, Edward Swiggett, Sr. of Smyrna, DE; two daughters, Dawn Young of Smyrna, DE and Lisa Rogers (Louis) of Fort Hood, TX; eight sons, Nolan Tolson of Hagerstown, MD,

Howard "Joey" Swiggett (LaToya) of Dover, DE, Edward Swiggett, Jr. of Smyrna, DE, Donald Swiggett of Smyrna, DE, Darrin Swiggett of Dover, DE, Dominique Swiggett of Philadelphia, PA, Joseph "Goozer" Swiggett (Asia) of Smyrna, DE and Stephen Swiggett (Monica) of Lowell, MA; a god-daughter, T'Nika Wilmore (Will) of Smyrna, DE; a special and dear friend, Shirley Williams of Smyrna, DE; 13 grandchildren, Taisha, Andrew, Heather, Jermaine, Deionte, Jadis, Amonie, Charles, DeShawn, Sahibah, Jahanzeb, Ah'Morian and Makaylah; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Alberta E. Swiggett, please visit our Heartfelt Sympathies Store.

# Tribute Wall

DS

“ Please accept my deepest sympathy in the loss of your loved one. Death is an enemy to mankind, but Almighty God promises that He is going to remove death, sickness and pain in the near future. ( Revelation 21:3&4 ) I can relate to your pain. Recently, I loss one of my sisters in death and the hurt is still very great, but I look forward to the bible's promise at John 5:28&29 when I can be reunited with her again. So, please take comfort in the bible during your time of grief and may your entire family be comforted and blessed.

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**Doretha Sampson** - May 29, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ *What My Godmother Meant To Me*

*Godmothers have no wands or wings,  
So they work with wisdom, love, and things.  
Having taken on this role,  
You loved me more than anyone will know.*

*How lucky I was,  
How blessed I've been,  
You were more than my Godmother,  
You were also my friend.*

*Love Always,  
T'Nika S. Wilmore, Your God-daughter*

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**T'Nika Wilmore** - May 28, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ *Berta, as I sit here trying to hold back the tears, I'm reminded by our solid friendship throughout the years. I am going to miss you more than you know!! Even though you are in a better place, I will always long to see your face. You may be gone, but your spirit will forever be with me!!*

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**Shirley Williams** - May 28, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ *my deepest sympathy to Linda and her family on your loss. May God comfort you all.*

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**Mary Anderson** - May 28, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FW

“ *To the Swiggett family, you have my deepest condolences on the passing of "Berta"..She was a beautiful woman with a very sweet spirit..She also was a GREAT babysitter for my son some 25 years ago!! She will be greatly missed but never forgotten..Weeping may endure for a night but joy cometh in the morning..Be blessed family...Love Faith & family*

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**Faith Wilson-Lively** - May 28, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EP

“ *Extending deepest sympathy to Mr. Edward Swiggett and family in the loss of wife and mother, Mrs. Alberta Swiggett. May you find strength in prayer and in the love and embraces of your family and many friends.*

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**Edna Piper** - May 27, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ TO THE FAMILY OF BERTA SWIGGETT; MY DEEPEST CONDOLENCE TO THE ENTIRE FAMILY ON THE PASSING OF MS BERTA. SHE WAS A WONDERFUL WOMAN WHOM EVERYBODY!!! KEEP LEANING ON THE LOED AND HE WILL BRING YOU THROUGH !  
BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO MOURN, FOR THEY SHALL BE COMFORTED, MATTHEW 5:4. MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU ALWAYS!!  
SORROWFULLY SUBMITTED,  
DARCEL WILIAMS-CARTER

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**DARCEL CARTER** - May 27, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ My prayers go out to the Swiggett family. God Bless and Keep You... Connie Hall

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**Constance Hall** - May 27, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ I am sorry for your loss, please accept my sincere condolences. I hope you will find some comfort and strength in Jesus promise of the earthly resurrection(Acts 24:15)and the renewed Paradise earth, where death will be no more and no family will mourn the death of a loved one.-Revelation 21:3,4;John 5:28,29;Luke 23:43. May GOD(Psalms 83:18)grant you peace and comfort now, during this grievous time.Matthew 5:4.

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**Mattie Jones** - May 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM