



## Alice A. Gibbs

August 1, 1924 - June 17, 2016

Alice Agnes Elizabeth Beatrice Fountain Gibbs was born on Friday, August 1, 1923 at 10:00 a.m. in Ingleside, MD to the late Stephen and Arvella Fountain. Alice began her education at Union School and later was moved to Mt. Zion School until they were transferred to Castle Hall School. They later were transferred to Lockerman High School where she graduated. She then attended Hengton Nursing School in Baltimore, MD for six months. She had to leave after six months to come home and care for her mother who was sick. Alice joined Mt. Zion United Methodist Church at the age of 14yrs old, under the leadership of Rev. J.I. Williams. During her years of service, she served on the following boards: Usher Board, Senior Choir, President of the Willing Workers Club, Sunday School and Vacation Bible School Teacher, Chairperson of the Administrative Board, Chairperson of the Pulpit Committee, Finance Committee and a Lay Speaker. She would visit the nursing homes with other members to do Bible Study and sing to them. "I have done my best to do what I could in the service of the Lord. I haven't been in the pathway all the time, but I haven't strayed so far that I didn't come back".

Alice was known as the community nurse. She worked close with Dr. Charles Stonsipfher. He would call her if he was going to be late making his rounds in the Mt. Zion Community to go and check on his patient. Alice also delivered a few babies in the community. Alice was known as a caregiver for the young and old.

Alice worked at Capital Cleaners in Dover, DE for 35 years as a floor supervisor. After retiring from Capital Cleaners, Alice became a caregiver for handicapped children. She would care for them in her home. There were two that had a special place in her heart, Amanda and Teah.

In 2010 after a cold and snowy winter, Alice decided to move to North Carolina with her oldest daughter. She would journey home every summer to spend time in her home and see her brother, Clarence and her church family. Every time the car would pull up in her driveway she would say “thank you God for letting me come home one more time.” She attended the Mt. Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church in Waxhaw, NC. She became part of that church family. The members that she was close to called her Mother Gibbs.

Alice enjoyed reading her Bible and she had many spiritual devotional books. She enjoyed looking at Jeopardy, Wheel of Fortune, Judge Judy, Law and Order and Days of our Lives. Some of her favor sayings were “I am Blessed by the Best”, “I love everyone, not concerned whether they love me or not” and “People don’t do what is right they do what they want to do.”

Alice leaves to cherish her legacy and her memories: a brother, Clarence Fountain (Chestertown, MD); two daughters, Deborah E. Bowers of Waxhaw, NC (Carlton E. Bowers SR.) and Brenda Cannon of Marydel, MD; four grandchildren and seven great-grand-children; one god-daughter, Kiana Burke and two very special, spiritual daughters, Margaret Thomas of Ridgely, MD and Ann Threat of Waxhaw, NC; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Tennessee Gibbs; a sister, Pearl Harrision; and a brother, Henry Stephen Fountain, Sr.

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