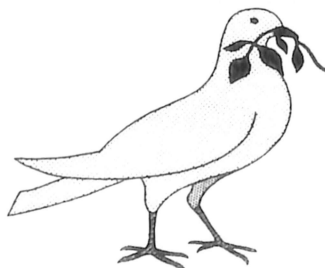


Footprints In The Sand

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the Lord. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life for each scene, he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonging to him, and the other to the Lord.

When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life there was only one set of footprints in the sand.

He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life. This really bothered him and he questioned the Lord about it. "Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most, you would leave me." "The Lord replied, "My precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During your times of trails and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

In times like these we are made aware of God's presence and the love and meaning of fellowship with friends. We thank you for your concern, prayers and most of all, just being there. We thank each of you from the depths of our hearts.

The Family

PALLBEARERS

*Mansell Fridia, Sr.
Floyd McClendon
Gregory Coleman*

*Cleveland Jackson
Dr. Kevin Cowens, Sr.
Johnny Mallard, Sr.*

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*Bryan Scallion
James Scallion
Deonte Scallion*

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"The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein."

Psalm 24:1

A Celebration Of Life

for

Curdelia O. C. Keeton

Sunrise: March 24, 1918 – Sunset: March 14, 1999



Services

*Friday, March 19, 1999
11:00 a.m.*

New Hope Baptist Church

*5002 S. Central Expwy.
Dallas, Texas 75215*

REV. RONALD E. JONES, *Interim Pastor*
Officiating



Obituary

Curdella O. C. Keeton born March 24, 1918 in Yard, Texas. She received her education in Fairfield, Texas.

She moved to Dallas, Texas in 1943 and joined Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church. In 1962 she joined New Hope Baptist Church under the pastorate of Rev. H. Rhett James. She was a faithful member there until her demise.

Upon arrival in Dallas, she worked at Smith Drug Store at Hall and Thomas. Here she met many life long friends. Later she built a career doing domestic work which allowed her to work with many children, who knew her as "Grandma".

As the matriarch of the family, she leaves to cherish her memories: one loving and devoted daughter, Hazle Scallion; step-daughters, Shirley McDonald and Ola Mae Watson; five grandchildren, Darlean, Anna, Melvin and wife, Janice, Veronica, and Brendetta; eight great-grandchildren, Kelli and husband, Johnny, Sr., Vanessa, Bryan, Tanisha, Brandon, Darrien, Kim and Chris; six great- great grandchildren, Kaylan, James, Deonte, Johnny, Jr., Keliegh, Briana and a host of other relatives and friends.



Mother, Grandma, Granny-Granny

*You came to be my love and stayed to let us be
I was by your side when Cousin Maggie went
above*

*So as the years passed , I prayed you'd never
leave me*

Losing my love would break my heart

It would hurt like getting stung by a bee.

*With me you will not be as I grow strong and
smart*

But I will always be with you and you with me!

*Love,
Your Crew*

Order Of Service

PROCESSIONAL.....Nedra P. James
"I've Got A New Name"

PARTING VIEW

SONG..... Evelyn Traylor and Vincent Hall
"Your Grace and Mercy"

SCRIPTURES

Old Testament..... Rev. Andre R. Francis

New Testament.....Rev. Andre Rogers

PRAYER.....Rev. Andre Rogers

SONG..... Vincent Hall
"My Soul's Been Anchored"

RESOLUTIONS – New Hope Baptist Church
Rev. Audrey R. Francis, Clerk

REMARKS.....Limit 2 Minutes, Please

FAMILY TRIBUTE

SONG..... "A Brand New Life"
By special request of Curdella O. C. Keeton as sung by
her granddaughter, Anna L. Scallion

EULOGY.....Rev. Ronald E. Jones

SONG – "The Lord's Prayer" Barbara Bardwell

RECESSIONAL.... "In Dat Great Gittin' Up Morning"