
OBSEQUIY

— for —

Madison M. Flood



1918 — 1987

SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 1987

11:00 a.m.

BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH

1525 Michigan Avenue

Buffalo, New York

Rev. Eugene E. McAshan, Officiating

OBITUARY

Madison M. Flood was born on May 28, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand, Nine Hundred, and Eighteen to the Reverend Peter Washington Fludd and Retha Jefferson Fludd in Summerton, S.C., the second eldest of eleven children. He grew up in South Carolina and attended the Latta and Dillon Training Schools there.

Madison accepted Christ at an early age at Liberty Hill A.M.E. Church in Summerton. He moved to Buffalo in 1942.

Madison's life was a very involved one. For he volunteered his services singing at the USO during World War II and he was affiliated with many various quartets and groups during his lifetime. He loved to sing and music was an important part of his life.

On June 18, 1955, he married Cynthia Kearney in Charlotte, N.C. To this union, one daughter was born. He loved, cared, and provided for his family by working at the Bergman Tool Company until his disability retirement in 1978.

Madison joined Bethel in November of 1955, where he served his church faithfully for 31 years. He was a member of the Bethel Gospel Singers.

Madison began his transformation to a new life on June 15, 1987 after a long period of illness. He leaves behind his loving wife of 32 years, Cynthia K. Flood; his only child: Teresa F. Brown, and son-in-law: Leroy Brown, Jr. of Jacksonville, Fla; three sisters: Ida Ruth and Retha Mae Lucas of Buffalo, N.Y.; Martha Simmons of Fort Washington, Md.; two brothers: George and Clarence Fludd of Petersburg, Va.; (4 brothers and 1 sister preceded him in death) two uncles: Samuel Farley of Hopewell, Va. and James Robinson of Norfolk, Va.; five sisters-in-law; three brothers-in-law; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

*You came into this world with a song in your heart;
Your song brightened our day and brought joy to our lives.
Your song both inspired and exonerated; Your song was done
with such quiet grace which all of us strive to achieve.
Father, now your song will ring eternal with all the other
angels in heaven for all those who choose to listen.*

— The Family

PROGRAM

Processional	Clergy and family
The Opening Hymn #190	"What A Friend..."
The Invocation	Rev. Thomas A. Moore
The Lord's Prayer	Rev. Henry A. Wynn
Selection	The Senior Choir
The Scriptures	Old Testament New Testament
Selection	The Gospel Singers
Acknowledgments	
Resolution	
The Obituary	
Solo	Mr. Robert Hudson
	"Peace In The Valley"
The Eulogy	Pastor McAshan
Solo	Mr. Henry Nance
	"Goin' Home"
Recessional #189	"It Is Well..."
Interment	Forest Lawn Cemetery
Benediction	

*He will live in the hearts of the friends he made
And be known always for the foundation he laid,
Because goodness and fairness never die —
They go shining on like sun in the sky.
Just as honor and truth endure forever,
He is not dead, he has only gone on
To a brighter, more wonderful dawn.*

... *Pallbearers* ...

Johnny Walton
William Griffin
Jesse Levy
Arthur Giles

Robert Gary, Jr.
Henry Nance
Joseph Demps
Robert Massey, Jr.

"Don't"

*Don't spend too much time in mourning;
Tears are for the sad,
I left to be with Jesus and
This should make you glad.*

*Don't waste your hours in grieving,
No need to feel distress
I'm tired of life's frustrations
And had to get some rest.*

*Don't vex yourself with questions
Or try to reason why.
Life here for me was ended;
It came my time to die.*

*Don't lose the love I gave you:
Feed it with your care,
Grow it with devotion and
Spread it everywhere.*

*Don't fret because my leaving
Came in such a way,
We'll have another meeting,
In God's Eternal Day.*

— by G.F. Bell

... *Acknowledgment* ...

The family wishes to express our sincere appreciation and thanks for your kindness and support during our loved one's period of illness and our time of bereavement.

Arrangements:

H. Alfred Lewis Mortuary, Inc.