

A Grand Child's Point Of View

A purer soul I have never known
Could love the broken and the unknown
A open house no doors were closed
Which can reflect the heart one holds
You fought for us to love the same
You fought through all the tears and pain
The strength only God could give
Love for others gave you strength to live
But please don't worry about us now
We learned so much you taught us how
To love with no expectations of gain
To handle the coldness of the rain
A gentle river and a beautiful stream
Bridging all the hurtful gaps in between
The soothing breeze of heavens' call
But you've been an angel all along
The hardest part is for those who have known your love
And who will miss you while you rest above
We all have learned to play our hand
Your love has made us strong again
The peace you have is a bitter relief
The truth is still so hard to believe
Be happy on the other side
Thank you for being in our lives.
Written by:
Demetrius Edwards, Grandson



Floral Bearers: Granddaughters and Nieces

Pall Bearers: Grandsons

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HOMEGOING SERVICE FOR MRS. CORRIE BEARD EDWARDS

Sunrise: June 29, 1939 Sunset: April 30, 2021



REV. RODNEY COURTNEY, JR., OFFICIATING

Thursday, May 6, 2021
3:00 PM

Neely's Grove AME Zion Church
3321 South New Hope Road
Gastonia, North Carolina 28056

A Mother's Day Poem

“Her Magic Touch”

By Edward Beard, Jr., Brother

God made mothers very special for their magic touch
and unforgettable warmth never grows old and yet
He made her smile with the gift of sunshine
and mold her loving heart of pure gold.

Her eyes, He places bright sunshine in everything she did
to make our lives worthwhile; and in her cheeks,
He placed beautiful roses that glow like the rays of the sun,
for us to see, so that we could find courage, hope and strength,
just by looking into her eyes; and yet, her laughter is a source of
joy, and her words are warm and wise.

Her compassion and kindness brings laughter and joy
to those she embraces; for it was then when we saw
thy light of Heaven shining from a mother's face.

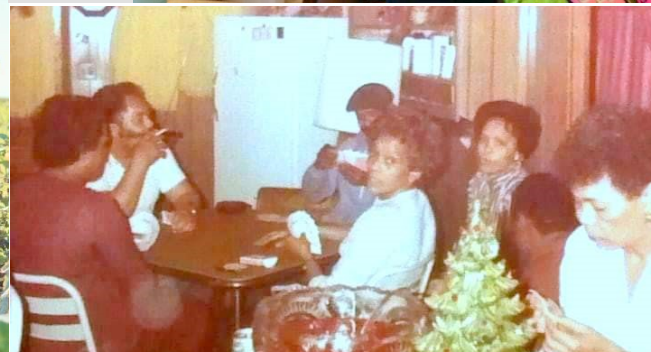
For only God made a wonderful and gracious mother,
and gave her to me, so let us remember always to appreciate
the loyalty and devotion of our mother and be thankful and
grateful for her patience, understanding and devotion in which
she has shown, not only on Mother's Day, but for all time.



Acknowledgements

With deep appreciation, we express our sincere thanks for the cards, flowers, visits food and other expressions of kindness shown during our bereavement. With special recognition to Pastor Freeman, Neely's Grove, Mt Zion Restoration, Rev. Pierre Crawford, Aunt Minnie Froneberger, and cousins; Regina Beard, Robert and Cynthia Lowery, Barbara and Clarence Patterson, Pamela Kennedy and Angela Glenn for “going above and beyond” during this difficult time.

The Family of Mrs. Corrie Beard Edwards



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Life Reflections and Memories

Mrs. Corrie Beard Edwards

Mrs. Corrie Beard Edwards was born on June 29, 1939 to Edward McFrazier Beard, Sr. and Anna Bryant Beard in York County, South Carolina. She departed this earthly life on April 30, 2021 at CaroMont Regional Hospital, Gastonia, North Carolina.

She was better known as “Sis” and “Aunt Sis.” She graduated from Jefferson High School in York, South Carolina. Corrie married Arthur Edwards in 1961 and they had four children. She completed Dudley School of Cosmetology and did hair on the weekends for years. She worked as an Executive Secretary at Gallery & Lord for 23 years. Belmont Hosiery for seven years before happily; retiring. She joined Neely’s Grove AME Zion Church as a young adult and remained active for a number of years. She was also an active member of the Eastern Star Order #39 for years.

She loved her family with all her heart. You could always come to Aunt Sis’ house whether it was for temporary shelter, food or a “good size dose” of reality. She was an avid bowler and a die-hard Carolina Tarheel fan. She loved playing Spades, Biz Whiz and Tunk with family and friends.

Corrie was preceded in death by her husband Arthur Edwards, her parents Edward Sr. and Anna Beard, siblings, Viola Beard Young, James Alexander Beard, Alaine Beard Byers, Naomi Beard Hart, Arthur Lee Beard, Iva Lee Lowery, Samuel Denorise Beard, Dorothy Ann Beard, and special niece Annie Louise Glenn.

She leaves to cherish her memories four children: Mr. William Edwards of the home, Minister Ellen Clay (Charlie), Bessemer City, NC, Mrs. Michelle Mickles and Mr. Jeffery Edwards, both of Mt Holly, NC, Four siblings; Annie Beard, Minnie (Lemuel) Froneberger, both from Gastonia, NC, Grady Beard of Asheville, NC and Edward Beard Jr. of the home. Eleven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren who loved “Grannie” dearly, and a special niece, Betty Jean Davis. Host of nieces and nephews.

