



Dorothy Ann Patterson

March 22, 1934 - August 8, 2012

Funeral Services for Dorothy Ann Patterson will be held at 11:00AM Wednesday, August 15, 2012 at Faith Deliverance Temple 2063 Flat Shoals Road Southeast Atlanta, GA 30316. Interment at Melwood Cemetery. . Visitation Tuesday 9:00AM - 9:00PM at our SOUTH DEKALB Chapel. Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home 4347 Flat Shoals Pkwy, Decatur, GA. 30034 (404) 241-5656.

Dorothy Ann Patterson was born on March 22, 1934 to Roosevelt and Betty Platt in Raeford, North Carolina. She was the seventh of twelve children. Dorothy was a proud member of the graduating class of 1952 at Upchurch High School. She began her career as a nurse technician in New York and later relocated to Atlanta, and remained an avid learner. Continuing her career in medical services, she found a position at Emory University Hospital and would retire from there. After her retirement, she continued working privately in her field and significantly increased her volunteer efforts. She was especially fond of her work as a volunteer cashier at St. Vincent de Paul. She was often quoted saying "a wise man never stops learning." She consistently engaged in a variety of classes, including interior design, Biblical studies, computer literacy, and upholstery.

From a young age, Dorothy was always active in her church home. At Faith Deliverance Temple, she found her hands busy doing – from designing flower arrangements to teaching Sunday School, from serving as a Women’s Day Devotional Speaker to Mistress of Ceremony. Seeing the need for fellowship for senior Christians, the Lord laid a Seniors Ministry, Instruments of Righteousness, on her heart. With a heart to please God through serving in ministry, she was a student in the current ministry training graduation class at Faith Deliverance Temple. Being the eldest of the class, she still gave the young people a “run for their money.” Dorothy was also an active member and secretary of the Big Sister Ministry and the Crowns of Glory Seasoned Citizens Ministry at Greater St. Stephen Full Gospel Baptist Church.

Ever active, Dorothy was known for her daily walks around Stone Mountain Park, her passion for intercessory prayer and her love for children. Being a health care provider, she understood the importance of good nutrition, which fueled her love for food and desire to stay current with medical advances.

She is left to cherish her memory, two children, Larry Patterson and Jennifer Copeland. She is also the proud grandmother of 7 and great grandmother of 10. Dorothy is also survived by two siblings, Thelma (and husband William) Johnson and Roosevelt Platt, both of North Carolina. When asked what she would want to say to her survivors, she wrote: “Don’t ever worry about me because as Paul said -- to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord.”

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My sincerest condolences in your families loss. May God's peace be with you and his strength shore you up

Rasharon Townsend-Buah.

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“ *I offer sincere condolences to the family. May "the God of all comfort" give you peace as you look ahead to the fulfillment of the promise recorded at John 5:28,29...."The hour is coming when all those in the memorial tombs will hear Jesus' voice and come out." Please keep in mind...God cares for you and he always keeps his promises! ~Isaiah 55:11, Revelation 21:3-5*

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