



Safely Home

by Author Unknown

I am home in heaven, dear ones;
Oh, so happy and so bright.
There is a perfect joy and beauty
in this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over,
every restless tossing passed;
I am now at peace forever,
safely home in heaven at last.

Did you wonder I so calmly
Trode the valley of the shade?
Oh, but Jesus' love illuminated
Every dark and fearful glade.

And He came Himself to meet me
in the way so hard to tread;
And with Jesus' arm to lean on
could I have one doubt or dread?

Then you must not grieve so sorely,
for I love you dearly still.
Try to look beyond death's shadows;
Pray to trust our Father's will.

There is work still waiting for you,
so you must not idly stand.
Do it now, while life remaineth;
you shall rest in Jesus' land.

When that work is all completed,
He will gently call you home;
Oh, the rapture of that meeting;
Oh, the joy to see you come!



Katherine Kellar-Howard
April 23, 1933 - August 27, 2021





Obituary

Katherine Kellar-Howard, the third child of 14 children born to the late Lonzie and Manervia Kellar on April 25, 1933, in Brownville, Haywood County TN. She peacefully transitioned to her eternal reward on August 27, 2021, surrounded by her loved ones.

She confessed her faith in Christ at an early age and joined the Prospect CME Church, Brownsville, TN.

She received her elementary and secondary education in the Haywood County School System. After graduating from Dunbar Haywood County Training / Carver High School in 1951, she entered Collin Capel School of Nursing in Memphis, TN in December 1951.

Katherine's nursing career spanned over 59 years. Upon completing her nursing training in 1954 as a Graduate Nurse, her nursing career started after moving to Holly Springs, MS in 1955. Soon after moving to Holly Springs, she joined and became an active member of Anderson Chapel CME Church of Holly Spring, MS where she served as a member of the Stewardess, Usher Board, and the Board of Christian Education. She remained active until she moved back to her hometown area in 2017. Upon relocating, she faithfully attended Faith Deliverance Church in Brownsville, TN until her health declined in June 2021.

Katherine broke barriers and made history by becoming the first black nurse at the Marshall County Hospital and for Dr. A. D. Jones Clinic. She was employed by North Mississippi Hospital from 1955-1962; Dr. A.D. Jones Clinic 1962-1973. After the death of Dr. Jones, she was employed by Dr. M. V. Green Clinic 1973-1995. From 1995-2014, she was employed by Dr. Kenneth Williams and the Williams Medical Clinic all of Holly Springs, MS; where she retired.

On Thanksgiving Day in 2005, surrounded by friends and family, Katherine was united in Holy Matrimony to her longtime friend, Calvin Howard.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, five brothers: R.T., Lonzie Jr., Sullivan, James, and Willie T., and two sisters: Maggie and Frankie.

Cherishing her precious and fond memories: her beloved siblings: Callie Reed of Decatur, IL, Hester Nelson of Brownsville, TN, Johnny (Aquila) Kellar of Detroit, MI, Mary (Wallace) King of Hampton, VA, Hazel (Bishop Will) Boyd of Brownsville, TN and Thelma (Lavon) Alston of Collierville, TN, Major Wilburn, Jr. (brother-in-love) of Bolivar, TN; in-laws, Gloria Jean (James) Lee and Clarence Howard of Memphis, TN. Katherine was a mother figure and supporter to her nieces and nephews, who will miss her dearly.

Katherine has touched and impacted many lives during her lifetime.

Those who knew and loved her will miss her.



A Fallen Limb

A limb has fallen from the family tree.
 I keep hearing a voice that says, "Grieve not for me. Remember the best times, the laughter, the song. The good life I lived while I was strong. Continue my heritage, I'm counting on you. Keep smiling and surely the sun will shine through. My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest. Remembering all, how I truly was blessed. Continue traditions, no matter how small. Go on with your life, don't worry about falls I miss you all dearly, so keep up your chin. Until the day comes we're together again

-Author unknown



Order of Service

Processional..... "Pass Me Not Gentle Savior"

Prayer of Comfort.....Min. Derrick Brown

Old Testament Scripture.....Bro. Lavon Alston
 "Psalms 23" New Direction Christian Church
 Collierville, TN

New Testament Scripture...Deacon. Major Wilburn
 "I Thessalonians 4:16-17" Greater Springfield
 Baptist Church
 Bolivar, TN

Song of Comfort.....Mr. James Neuble
 "Precious Lord" Lebanon, TN

Acknowledgments..... Min. Charlotte Brown
 /Resolution

Song of Comfort.....Mr. James Neuble
 "When You Here of My Homegoing" Lebanon, TN

Expressions of Love.....Pastor Hazel P. Boyd
 Dr. Kenneth Williams
 Mr. Major Wilburn
 Ms. Ashley Boyd & Mr. Tim Alston

Expressions.....Family & Friends
 (3 minutes please)

Song of Reflection.....Min. Justice Brown
 "I Can Only Imagine"

Reflections of Life Reading.....Dr. Gail D. Boyd

Song of Reflection.....Sis. Jina Shaw
 "I Won't Complain"

Eulogy.....Bishop Will F. Boyd, Sr.
 Faith Deliverance Church
 Brownsville, TN

Benediction

Family Recessional

In Loving Memory



Katherine
KELLAR
Howard



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Pallbearers

Tim Alston
Derrick Brown
Hiram Newbern, Jr.

Will Boyd, Jr.
James Perry
Joseph Newbern

Flower Bearers

Nieces

Interment

West Tennessee Veterans Cemetery
4000 Forest Hill Irene Rd, Memphis, TN 38125
Prayer of Committal will be held at the gravesite

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Officiating Pastor