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When I Must Leave You

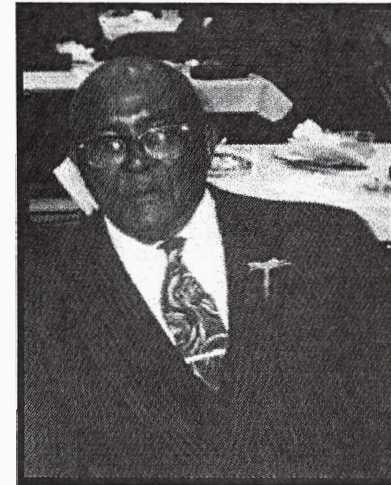
*When I must leave you for a little while,
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears
And hug your sorrow to you through the years
But start out bravely with a gallant smile.
And for my sake and in my name
Live on and do all things the same,
Feed not your loneliness on empty days
But fill each waking hour in useful ways.
Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer
And I in turn will comfort you and hold you near;
And never, never be afraid to die,
For I am waiting for you in the sky!*

Acknowledgements

The family of the late Deacon Gordon Edgar Cone, Sr., has been blessed and truly humbled by the love and kindness shown during this time of bereavement. We pray that God continues to richly bless each of you.

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Home Going Service For



Sunrise—December 17, 1916 Sunset—July 17, 2003

Dea. Gordon Edgar Cone, Sr.

Thursday, July 24, 2003—1:00 p.m.

Antioch Missionary Baptist Church

197 Antioch Church Road
Brooklet, Georgia 30415

Interment—Church Cemetery

Rev. Richard A. Lawrence, Pastor
Rev. Lee Hunter, Eulogist

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*Shirley Odum-Barnes
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Obituary

And I gave unto them eternal life and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.

John 10:28

On Thursday morning, July 17, 2003, the angel of the Lord came and led Deacon Gordon Edgar Cone, Sr., home to be with his Heavenly Father. Deacon Cone was born on December 17, 1916 in Bulloch County (Stilson), Georgia to the late Mr. and Mrs. John and Mary Jones Cone.

At an early age, he accepted Jesus Christ as his personal lord and savior. He joined the Antioch Missionary Baptist Church. He served on the Deacon Board for 45 years.

On October 13, 1940, he united in holy matrimony to Miss Willie Mae Hendley. From that union, three children were born: two daughters and one son.

He leaves to mourn his passing and cherish his memory: a devoted wife: Mrs. Willie Mae Cone, Statesboro, GA, two daughters: Ms. Dollie Mae Harrison, Plainfield, NJ and Mrs. Shirley (Robert F.) Parrish, Savannah, GA, one son: Mr. Gordon E. (Betty) Cone, Jr., Savannah, GA, two sisters: Ms. Mary A. Lawrence, Portal, GA and Ms. Alice Smith, Savannah, GA, one brother: Mr. Remer (Rena) Cone, Statesboro, GA and one sister-in-law: Mrs. Mattie L. Cone, Manhattan, NY. Nine grandchildren, eighteen great grandchildren, two great-great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

A Place To Rest

*God looked down on your body
So tired from hanging on,
From a life that was overwhelming you,
And wanted back His son.
So He took away the air you breathe,
And gave you what was best,
A place to be at peace,
A final place to rest*

Order of Services

Processional
Presiding.....Rev. Richard A. Lawrence
Selection.....Antioch Baptist Church/James R. Barnes Choirs
Invocation
Scriptures.....Rev. Michael Stevenson
Solo.....Bro. Marcus Cone
Reflections
(As a church deacon).....Dea. Jewell Hendley
Selection.....The Harrison Sisters
Obituary (Please read silently).....Soft Music
Selection.....Choir
Resolutions/Acknowledgements.....Sis. Thea Porter
Selection.....Choir
Eulogy.....Rev. Lee Hunter
Viewing of Remains
Recessional

Honorary Pallbearers

Deacons, Deaconesses of Antioch Baptist Church

Active Pallbearers

Johnnie T. Smith
Clyde Cone, Jr.
Homer Cone

Dennis Cone
John Willie Cone
Byron Smith

Floral Attendants

Nieces