

Footprints In The Sand

One night I had a dream...

*I dreamed I was walking along the beach with the Lord,
and Across the sky flashed scenes from my life.*

*For each scene I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand;
One belonged to me, and the other to the Lord.*

*When the last scene of my life flashed before us,
I looked back at the footprints in the sand.*

*I noticed that many times along the path of my life,
There was only one set of footprints.*

*I also noticed that it happened at the very lowest
and saddest times in my life*

This really bothered me, and I questioned the Lord about it.

*"Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you,
You would walk with me all the way;*

*But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life,
There is only one set of footprints.*

*I don't understand why in times when I needed you the most,
you should leave me.*

*The Lord replied, "My precious, precious child. I love you,
and I would never, never leave you*

during your times of trial and suffering.

*When you saw only one set of footprints,
It was then that I carried you.*

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The family of Mrs. Sallie Mae Warren is deeply grateful for the prayers, love, support, and numerous acts of kindness offered so abundantly during the home going of our loved one. Sincere gratitude to family members, friends and neighbors, who have helped to make this time of loving memories that we will always hold dear. Special thanks to Adult II Sunday School- Greenforest Community Baptist Church, New Life P. C. Congregational Care, Arbor Terrace at Cascade, and Sacred Journey Hospice. May the Lord forever keep all of you by His grace.

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Sallie Mae Riley Warren

January 25, 1927 – May 2, 2021



VIRTUAL MEMORIAL SERVICES

Tuesday, May 11, 2021
1:00 P.M.

Murray Brothers Funeral Home, Inc.
1199 Utoy Springs Road, Southwest
Atlanta, Georgia

Rev. Dr. Pennon Lockhart
Officiating

Obituary

Sallie Mae Riley was born on January 25, 1927 to Hattie Riley Griffin in Springfield, Kentucky, just north of Lebanon, Kentucky. She completed her early education at S. C. Taylor Elementary School, Madison Junior High School and Central High School.

Sallie committed her life to Jesus Christ at age 11 and was baptized into the Christian Faith in 1938 at West Chestnut Baptist Church under pastor William Johnson. Her early employment was with the Kaufman Department Store and later she attended Municipal College of Louisville, Kentucky, on September 17, 1947.

Sallie Mae Riley was united in holy matrimony to Lawrence Orlando Warren of Louisville. To this union were born two daughters and one son; Karleen, Charlotte, and Larry (deceased). At age 22, Sallie was employed with the Louisville Police Department for over 40 years where she retired. She was a member of the “Charmettes” Social Club for 60 years after joining in 1948. She loved to travel with her family and friends. The Warren family was the second African American family to move onto the block at 3102 Dumesnil Street, Louisville and in time, her father-in-law, Albert Warren and her mother, Hattie Griffin lived with Sallie and her spouse, Lawrence Warren for many years. She was an excellent seamstress and made many of the clothes for her children when they were younger.

After the passing of her husband, Lawrence, Sallie relocated to Atlanta, Georgia with her daughter, Charlotte and son-in-law, Pennon, in February 2015. Here, she continued to enjoy her family and a host of new friends. She continued to travel, attend sports games (when the Louisville Cardinals were in town), connect with friends from The Big Bethel Senior Housing community in Atlanta, and the Greenforest Community Baptist Church Adult II Sunday School Class.

Sallie transitioned to be with the Lord Sunday morning, May 2, 2021. She will continue to live in the hearts of those who loved her. She leaves to cherish her memory, two loving daughters, Karleen Warren Wyatt, Esquire, (Keith), and Dr. Charlotte Warren Lockhart (Pennon); daughter-in-law, Marilyn Warren; grandchildren, Joi L. Pettus (Dwayne), Javonn C. Lockhart, Kristen Wyatt, Esquire, Kenneth Smith, Donté Bundrent, and Danielle Bundrent; great-grandchildren, Jalen Pettus, Lauren Pettus; LaKayla Smith and Se’Rae Bundrent-Palmer; niece, Linda Hodo Coiley (Keith); grandnephew, Ian C. Allen; other relatives and friends

Order of Service

Prelude

Scripture Reading

Old Testament, *Psalm 90:1-10*..... Lauren E. Pettus, *Great Granddaughter*

New Testament, *2 Corinthians 5:1-9* Jalen O. Pettus, *Great Grandson*

PrayerDeacon Danny Outlaw
Family Deacon
Greenforest Community Baptist Church

Obituary Reading (Screen Sharing)

Remarks Designated Family Members

Karleen W. Wyatt, *Esquire, Daughter*

Joi L. Pettus, *Granddaughter*

Javonn C. Lockhart, *Grandson*

Kristen Wyatt, *Esquire, Granddaughter*

Video Presentation (Screen Sharing)

Acknowledgments.....Dr. Charlotte W. Lockhart
Daughter

Eulogy / Message of Comfort Rev. Dr. Pennon Lockhart
Son-in-law

Poem*“Footprints In The Sand”*

Committal

Postlude