

## *Afterglow*



*I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one.  
I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.  
I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun;  
Of happy memories that I leave when life is done.  
-Helen Marshall*

## *Acknowledgements*

*Thanks to all for the acts of kindness shown  
during the loss of our loved one.*

*The Williams Family*



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## *Honoring her Spirit*



*Mrs. Doris Sylvia Williams*

*March 23, 1935 ~ August 28, 2020*

*Friday, September 4, 2020  
11:00 A.M.*

*Piedmont Memorial Gardens  
3663 Piedmont Memorial Drive  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina  
Reverend James Clyburn, Officiating*

## *Her Story*

On Friday, August 28, 2020, God was looking for another warrior to join his rank of angels. He found Doris Sylvia Williams, “Sy”, who was ready to meet her heavenly Father. She was born on March 23, 1935, in St. Michaels, MD to the late Richard and Beatrice Normet Kirby.

“Sy” as she was affectionately called by family, has longtime been a warrior. After graduating from Atkins High School, she attended Morgan State University in Baltimore MD where she received a Bachelors degree in Sociology. After returning to Winston-Salem, she worked for the Department of Social Services (DSS) and made a tremendous impact being an advocate for underprivileged children.

“Sy” felt the need to touch more children so, after five years of being with DSS, she was hired as a Social Worker for the Winston Salem/Forsyth County School System. She retired from the school system after spending twenty-five years helping countless children find their way in life.

“Sy” will join “Bea Bea” and “Daddy Roy” her parents, her husband, Ray and her sister Lucy who are waiting to welcome her with open arms.

“Sy” was married for 56 years to the late Bowman Ray Williams, Sr. She was a dedicated member of Red Bank Baptist Church, where Rev. James Clyburn is the pastor.

“Sy” leaves to mourn her loss: two sons, Bowman Ray Williams Jr. of Matthews, NC and Richard “Ricky” Williams of Mooresville, NC; three granddaughters, Monique Williams, Hannah Williams and Kayla Taylor; three grandsons, Myles Williams, Jordan Williams and Matthew Taylor; one great granddaughter, Cleo Rose; a sister, Sandra Tobias; a brother, Richard Kirby; two devoted nieces, Keeci Tobias and Stephanie Carson; a devoted nephew, John Tobias Jr.; and a host of loving relatives and friends.

## *In Memoriam*



### **John 3:16**

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”

### **Blessed Assurance**

Blessed Assurance, Jesus is mine  
O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain: This is my story, this is my song  
Praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story, this is my song  
Praising my Savior all the daylong.

Perfect submission, all is at rest;  
I in my Savior am happy and blest.  
Watching and waiting, looking above  
Filled with his goodness, lost in His love.  
(Refrain)