

## *I Will Rest Now*

I needed the quiet, so He drew me aside, Into the shadow where we could confide;  
Away from the bustle, where all day long, I hurried & worried when active & strong.  
I needed the quiet though at first I rebelled, But gently, so gently, my cross He upheld;  
And whispered so sweetly of spiritual things, Tho' weakened in body, my spirit took wings.  
To heights never dreamed of when active & gay; He loved me so gently, He drew me away.  
I needed the quiet, no prison my bed, But a beautiful valley of blessings instead;  
A place to grow richer in Jesus to hide, I needed the quiet, so He drew me aside

### *Hallbearers*

"THE GRANDSONS"

Reginald G. Ladson	Avon Maxwell
Ronald Horlbeck, Jr.	Terrell Williams
Henry Williams	Gerren Maxwell
Patrick Maxwell	

### *Honorary Hallbearers*

"THE NEWPHEWS"

Mr. David Ward	Mr. Isaac Ward, Jr.
Mr. Charles J. Maxwell	Mr. Kenneth J. Smalls
Mr. Tyrone Maxwell	Mr. Robert Maxwell, Jr.

### *Floral Bearers*

Ushers of the Church

### *In Appreciation*

The family of the late

## *~Mrs. Wilhelmena "Gal" Maxwell Smalls Nesbitt~*

acknowledges with grateful appreciation all acts of kindness  
extended to them during their time of bereavement.  
May God ever bless and keep you in His care.

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## *Home-Going Service for*

# **Mrs. Wilhelmena Maxwell Smalls Nesbitt**

1929 "GAL" 2010



Friday, August 20, 2010  
11:00 A.M.

**ST. MATTHEW A.M.E. CHURCH**  
4345 Davison Road  
Ravenel, South Carolina  
Reverend Toney J. Slater, Jr., Pastor

~Interment~  
Bethel A.M.E. Church Cemetery  
Ravenel, South Carolina



# Life Reflections

Mrs. Wilhelmena "Gal" Maxwell Smalls Nesbitt was born March 29, 1929 to the parents of Isaac and Emma Maxwell. She was the third of six children and educated in the public school system of Ravenel, SC. Later she left Ravenel and moved to Charleston where she resided for the remainder of her adult life. Mrs. Nesbitt worked in the hotel industry as a housekeeper for many years, and then as a homemaker. She was married to the late Mr. Eugene Smalls until his death, and then Mr. William Nesbitt until his death. Mrs. Nesbitt was a very quiet and humble person as a mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend to those who knew her best. She loved her family and friends and she enjoyed the times when we all got together to celebrate her birthday annually.

Mrs. Nesbitt gave her life to the Lord and became a dedicated and devoted member of Bethel A.M.E. Church in Ravenel, SC where she worshipped quietly until Watch-Night Service; where she would sing her favorite song "John the Revelator!" Mrs. Nesbitt also served as an Usher for many years until her health began to fail her. Mrs. "Gal" (as she was affectionately called by many) loved to lead the Ushers into the House of the Lord during the Holy Communion Service and especially at Bethel's Annual Usher's Anniversary on Mother's Day.

Mrs. Nesbitt had four of her siblings to precede her in death: Lee Maxwell, MaeBell Maxwell-Ward, Lawrence Maxwell, and Jestine Maxwell-Dunmeyer. Now she leaves to mourn her six children: Marie Maxwell-Ladson (Jimmie), Ms. Veronica "Alma" Maxwell, Rev. Leon R. Maxwell (Shaun), Mr. Alfred L. Smith (Phoenix, Az.), Mrs. Annell Smalls-Jackson (Anthony) and Mr. Ben L. Smalls (Yvette). Also, her youngest and very close brother Mr. Robert Maxwell, Sr. and a very dear sister-in-law Mrs. MaeBell Maxwell, twenty grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren, 1 great-great grand, with a host of nephews, nieces, cousins and friends who will miss her dearly.

# Order of Service

Reverend Toney J. Slater, Jr., Officiating  
Reverend Jarrett B. Washington, Presiding,



**PRELUDE.....Organist / Musician**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN #381**

**OPENING HYMN#226.....Rev. Cora Singleton, Pastor  
Providence A.M.E. Church, N. Charleston, SC**

**PRAYER.....Rev. Alberta Cook, Pastor  
St. Johns A.M.E. Church, Cottageville, SC**

**SELECTION.....Choir**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS:**

**OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 90: 1-12.....Rev. Sinclair C. Frasier,  
Pastor, Greater St. James A.M.E. Church, Lake City, SC**

**NEW TESTAMENT Revelation 21: 1-8.....Min. Lesley Bligen,  
Pastor, Aimwell Presbyterian Church, Round O, SC**

**POEM.....Shaun J. Maxwell, Daughter-in-law**

**REMARKS...(2-3 Minutes).....Vivian Porter, Class Leader  
Evang. Sandra Gethers, John's Island House of Prayer  
David Ward, Nephew, Fayetteville, NC**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**SERMONIC HYMN.....Rev. George W. Brown, Jr.,  
Poplar Spring A.M.E. Church, Laurens, SC**

**WORDS OF COMFORT.....Reverend Toney J. Slater, Jr.**

**FINAL VIEWING (In the Narthex)**

**COMMITTAL (Graveside)**

**BENEDICTION (Graveside)**

**RECESSIONAL**

