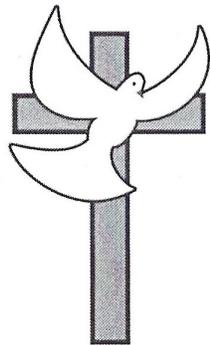


They do not leave
They are not gone.
They look upon us still
They walk among the valleys now.
They stride upon the hill
Their smile is in the summer sky.
Their grace is in the breeze
Their memories whisper in the grass,
Their calm is in the trees.
Their light is in the winter snow
Their tears are in the rain.
Their merriment runs in the brook
Their laughter in the lane.
Their gentleness is in the flowers
They sigh in Autumn leaves.
They do not leave, they are not gone
Tis only we who grieve.

~Anonymous



The family wishes to thank you, our friends and extended family for your prayers, thoughts, and acts of kindness during our time of bereavement.
May God continue to bless you each.

The Family of Brenda Gibbs

A Celebration of Life
For
Brenda Elyse Gibbs



Saturday, June 15, 2017
Saint Matthews United Methodist Church
600 E. Florida Street
Greensboro, North Carolina 27406

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for

Brenda Elyse Gibbs

St Matthews United Methodist Church

Reverend Dr. Donnell Fitzjefferies, Pastor, Presiding

July 15, 2017

11:00 a.m.

Greeting

Opening Hymn – Nearer, My God, To Thee..... Hymnal p. 528

Prayer Reverend Fitzjefferies

Scripture Reading

Old Testament..... Wilmote D. Gibbs

New Testament..... Dr. Sheila Gibbs Hill

Musical Selection..... St. Matthews UMC Choir

Silent Reading of Obituary

Acknowledgements Marece Gibbs Mayo

Reflections..... Ezell Brown, Jr.

Annette Gibbs

Musical Selection St. Matthews UMC Choir

Eulogy..... Rev. Dr. Ed Best, Jr

St. Mark UMC, Fairburn, GA

Musical Selection..... St. Matthews UMC Choir

Recessional

Reflections of her life

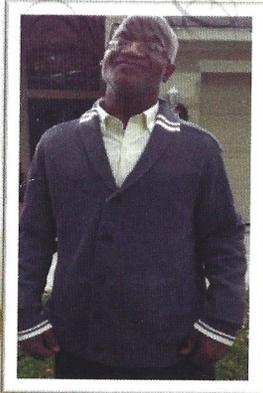
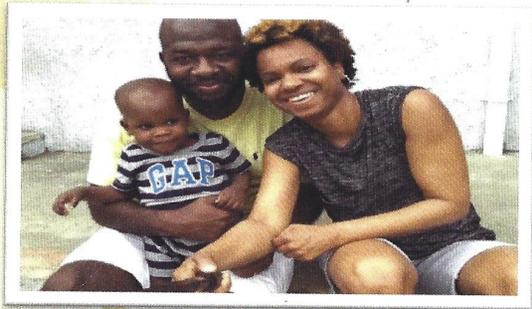
Brenda, the first of six children was born on September 26, 1946 in Greensboro, North Carolina to her parents, Warmoth T. Gibbs, Jr. and Marie Hill Gibbs. She grew up as a member of Saint Matthews United Methodist Church. She graduated from James B. Dudley High School in 1964, and North Carolina A&T State University (Cum Laude) in 1969 with a Bachelor of Science degree in History Education. After graduation, Brenda attended the University of Maryland School, of Law in Baltimore, Maryland where she received her Juris Doctorate degree. Upon graduation from law school, Brenda worked as an attorney for the United States Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C. Subsequently Brenda returned to North Carolina to take a position as Chief Corporate Attorney for the North Carolina State Attorney General's Office. After many years of working in the legal profession, Brenda retired to Orlando, Florida where she resided for the past 15 years. Throughout those years Brenda never failed to be available to friends and acquaintances who requested her legal assistance and advice, and would volunteer at the neighborhood legal aid office.

An avid reader, Brenda was also passionate about education, history, current events, politics and especially public service. As an undergraduate Brenda pledged Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.. Alpha Mu Chapter. During her membership with the Raleigh Alumnae Chapter she served as an advisor to Delta's undergraduate chapter at North Carolina State University. Before retirement Brenda was a member of the National Bar Association and a supporter of the United Negro College Fund. Brenda's favorite things to do was being with family, friends, and caring for her adorable Labrador Retriever, Bonnie.

Brenda is survived by five siblings, Dr. Sheila G. Hill (Rick) of Chesapeake, Virginia, Marece Gibbs Mayo of Cary, North Carolina, Lura Annette Gibbs of Orlando, Florida, Warmoth Thomas Gibbs III of Greensboro, North Carolina, and Wilmote D. Gibbs of Greensboro, N.C. She is also survived by four nieces, Amorie Parker (Will), Austin Watzlavick (Brad), Madison Gibbs, and Morgan Gibbs, one great nephew, Jameson Parker and a host of maternal and paternal family members.



YOUR LIFE
WAS A *Blessing*
YOUR MEMORY A
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You are **LOVED** BEYOND WORDS
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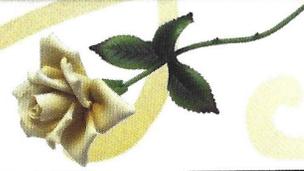


Always
in our hearts
Always
in our memories





*The tide Recedes but Leaves Behind
Bright Seashells on The Sand.
The Sun Goes Down, but Gentle
Warmth still lingers on the Land.
The Music Stops, and yet it Echoes
on in Sweet Refrains.....
For every Joy that passes,
Something Beautiful Remains.*



*a moment
in our arms ...
a lifetime
in our hearts.*

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