



## *A TRIBUTE to MY PRECIOUS MOTHER*

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Thank you, Mama

When I consider all of the things that I have accomplished in life, I have you to thank. You showed me the way to write and the way to Christ. I wrote my first poem at only 3 years old because you saw me as a poet and writer. Then, two years later, you led me to Christ at 5 years old.

You showed me the way, every day. Here I am now...still writing and serving Jesus Christ.

*"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it" (Proverbs 22:6 KJV).*

Mama married May 14, 1949 to Elder Minor Palm Jr. Together, they raised their children: Wanda, Rodger and Regina. They taught and trained us in holiness. They truly loved us so dearly...and we loved them very much.



Mama and Daddy started their day with prayer. They daily studied the Bible. They loved Bible study and a good hot cup of coffee.

I learned a lot from them. They encouraged us to study the Word of God. Much was learned as our family read the Bible.

I am thankful for those times.





These beautiful things remind me of Mama. She was a lovely lady of grace, elegance, and hospitality. She was classy and so refined. Mama loved to give and share. Each item in these photos represents my Mama...fine china, lace tablecloths, pearls, gloves, flowers, silverware, books, and teapots of steaming hot tea.

Mama loved to serve others. She always did this with a smile. Mama, I miss you... Oh, there is a hole in my heart...it will never be filled. I love you so.



**And today...**

**I wear hats like Mama did.**

**At times, I still wear white gloves.**

**I enjoy hot steamy teas and coffees**

**in a fine china cup, too.**







I love writing poems, books, stories, articles, plays, recipes and so much more. I am grateful for the training, guidance, and many things that my parents so dearly implanted in me. My life is blessed by Daddy and Mama who prayed for me to walk in faith and to love the Lord with all of my heart. They never ever misled me.

Today, I understand why they gave me the Word of God to live by every day. I have launched this website in faith in God. I praise the Lord for the Holy Ghost to guide me. I am going into the world knowing that I cannot do this on my own. I am trusting the Lord all of the way! I need Him!

*“Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths (Proverbs 3:5-6 KJV).*

I wish that Mama and Daddy were alive to see THE LAMP NEWSLETTER Website. However, I feel that they wanted me to work and follow the Lord so that I would prepare and be ready for the doors that He will open for me. Their prayers...prepared me. *“For we walk by faith, not by sight” (2 Corinthians 5:7 KJV).*

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