

A Mother's Crown

Heaven lit up with a mighty presence,
as the Angels all looked down.

Today the Lord was placing the jewels into my
mother's crown.

He held up a golden crown, as my darling mother looked on.
He said in His gentle voice, 'I will now explain each one.'

'The first gem,' He said, 'is a Ruby, and it's for endurance alone,
for all the nights you waited up for your children to come home.'

'For all the nights by their bedside, you stayed till the fever went down.
For nursing every little wound, I add this ruby to your crown.'

'An emerald, I'll place by the ruby, for leading your child in the right way.
For teaching them the lessons, That made them who they are today.'

'For always being right there, through all life's important events.
I give you a sapphire stone, for the time and love you spent.'

'For untying the strings that held them, when they grew up and left home.
I give you this one for courage.' Then the Lord added a garnet stone.

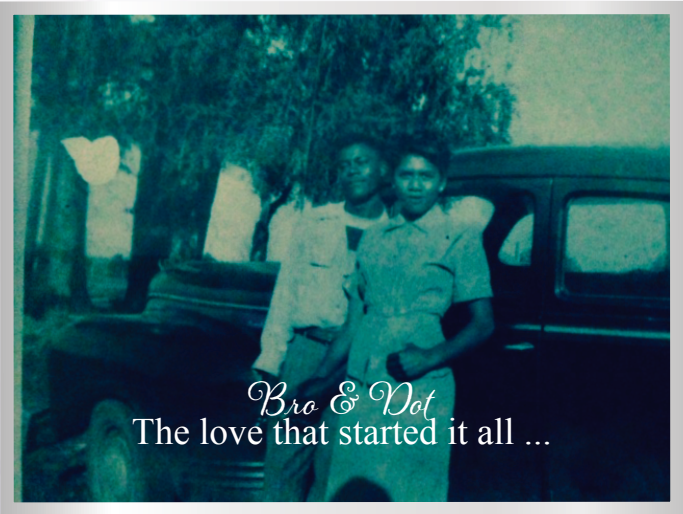
'I'll place a stone of amethyst,' He said. 'For all the times you spent on your knees,
when you asked if I'd take care of your children, and then for having faith in Me.'

'I have a pearl for every little sacrifice that you made without them knowing.
For all the times you went without, to keep them happy, healthy and growing.'

'And last of all I have a diamond, the greatest one of all, for sharing unconditional
love whether they were big or small.'

'It was your love that helped them grow Feeling safe and happy and proud
A love so strong and pure It could shift the darkest cloud.'

After the Lord placed the last jewel in,He said,-'Your crown is now complete,
You've earned your place in Heaven With your children at your feet.'



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The love that started it all ...

The Thanksgiving Service for the Life of



Dorothy Mae Riley
WADE

SUNRISE APRIL 21, 1932 SUNSET MARCH 28, 2020

OFFICIATING BISHOP PETER L. BAKER

Acknowledgments
The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation
the many expressions of love, concern and kindness during this time.

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Dorothy Mae Riley Wade, age 87, departed this life peacefully Saturday, March 28, 2020. She was born April 21, 1932, in Durham County to the late Mr. Lewis and Mrs. Cornelia Riley. She married her friend and love Mr. Matthew Wade, Sr on December 12, 1950, who preceded her in death in 1996.

Dorothy or Dot as she was affectionately known, loved her family, church family, and neighbors. She was an awesome cook and baker of cakes, pies, and cookies. Any time someone grabs for your cold fried chicken you have to be a great cook! She was a sought-after seamstress able to make any garment she put her mind to even without a pattern – Vogue had nothing on her! She was the neighborhood hairdresser and many times a doctor. She was often called our neighborhood, “Dr. Quinn!”

She played softball on the same team with her daughters for several years. She was an avid basketball player and played on her High School team winning a few championships. We are truly a singing family that we attribute much to our Dad, but our agility and talent in sports came from our Mom. Every child, grandchild, and great-grandchild has played competitive sports of some kind with great success. Dad taught us to drive a car and change a tire, but Mom taught us to use a knee in the right place for protection.

She had many sayings (out of the Book of Dorothy) and a couple we loved was, “Never worry about what people say about you, just be sure you are not doing what they say,” “Love your children in a way that when you grow old, they will want to take care of you to the depth of your love.” This is why it was so easy to assist the Lord in taking care of our Mom to her last breath in this earth realm.

She was a generous and loving woman. She had great vision for her children of which she taught to be independent in identity but dependent on the Lord! Her vision for her children and grandchildren placed her in their cheering section at all times.

Dorothy graduated from Little River School in 1950. She was a stay-at-home Mom for years until 1963 when she was employed by McPherson Hospital. Later in 1965 begun to work at Duke Medical Center. Her love for the caring of people lead her to be accepted into the Nursing Program at Duke where she worked 20 hours and went to school 20 hours a week. She graduated from Durham Technical College with honors, the top of her class, with a degree as a Licensed Medical Practical Nurse, III. This afforded her to give patient care and also administer medication orally and intravenously. She loved nursing! During her tenure at Duke, she worked in the Trauma Unit and Orthopedic Unit. She retired after 30 years in 1995 after which she came home and was the total caregiver to her husband.

Mom had a rich, active, and full life. She was a committed wife, a dedicated mother, a loving grandma, and a follower of Jesus Christ. She was an outstanding superior person. You could tell when she was happy, even while working because she would always, “jig with a little hum.” We cannot tell all, but there were no advantageous opportunities that Dorothy turned down! We miss her already!

She is survived by one son, Matthew Wade, Jr. (Artelia) of Durham, NC; three daughters: Pastor Dianne Wade Green (Oscar) and Apostle Shirley Wade Anthony (Pastor Milton), both of Durham and Elder Melissa Wade-Cutler (Darryl) of Bahama, NC; five siblings: Victor Riley (Doris) of Woodbridge, VA, Myrtle Whitted of Durham, Fred Riley (Carol) of Denver, CO, Frank Riley (Nellie) and Gerald Riley (Ticamiya), also of Durham; eight grandchildren: Donnie, Quandra, Crystal (Leroy), DeCosto (Nekia), Jarmaal, Jacenta (Michael), Darius and Matthew; eleven great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; a special niece who she raised, Tonya Wade of Durham; two sisters-in-law: Ruth Wade Mangum (Ernest) of Bahama and Fannie Shaw Wade of Hurdle Mills; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

The Order of Service
Dorothy Mae Riley Wade
Friday, April 3, 2020

Family Visitation 12:00 pm - 1:00pm

Prelude

Processional Clergy and Family

Celebration of Life Service

Presiding Bishop Peter L. Baker

Selection Judah Praise Team
Kingdom Community International

Scripture Reading Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

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Remarks

Acknowledgments, Resolutions, and Obituary

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Eulogy Brother Matthew Wade, Jr & Family
Pastor Dianne Wade Green & Family
Apostle Shirley Wade Anthony & Family
Elder Melissa Wade-Cutler & Family

Directors, Committal & Benediction Apostle Shirley Wade Anthony

Recessional