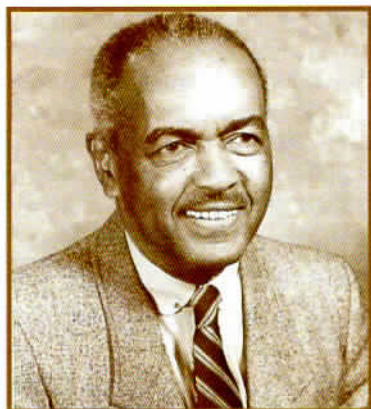


Graveside Service

Dr. Howard Monroe Fitts, Jr.



Friday, February 10, 2023

1:00 p.m.

Beechwood Cemetery
3300 Fayetteville Street
Durham, NC 27707

The Rev. Mary Jane Palmer,

Associate Pastor
St. Paul AME Church
Chapel Hill, NC
Officiating

The Order of Service

Prayer. Rev. Mary Jane Palmer

Scripture Readings — New Testament

Matthews 22:36:40

Master, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets

John 11:25:26

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

Words of Comfort

The Committal. Rev. Mary Jane Palmer

Love Lives On

By Unknown

Those we love remain with us
For love itself lives on,
And cherished memories never fade
Because a loved one's gone.
Those we love can never be
More than a thought apart,
For as long as there is memory,
They'll live on in the heart.

Obituary

- Born — Wilson, NC, June 8, 1921 Died — Durham, NC, January 30, 2023
- Married to the late Alberta H. Fitts, for fifty-six (56) years
- Children, son, Howard A. (Cina Mack) Fitts, daughter, Rosemary F. (Wilton) Miller
- Grandchildren, Ashlie Saunders and Alexandra Fitts; Great grandchild, Kylo Mathis
- Education: public schools, Wilson, NC, Palmer Memorial Institute, Sedalia, NC; NC Central University (formerly NC College for Negroes) (BS degree, MSPH degree), and Teacher's College – Columbia University, (E.D. Degree)
- Military Service (1942-45). Non-commissioned officer and served in the US and North Africa, France, Italy, Germany, and the Philippines.
- Employment: Teacher/Principal, Wilson County public schools; public health educator, District Health Department, Chapel Hill, NC; Teacher/Department Chairman, Department of Public Health Education at NC Central University (1954-1987)
- Faithful Sunday School Teacher and Ruling Elder of the Covenant Presbyterian Church, Durham, NC
- Short-term Consultant World Health Organization, New Delhi, India; short term consultant for Pan America Health Organization, Turks and Caicos
- Served as leader of numerous Boards including:
 - > President, Lincoln Community Health Center Board of Directors
 - > Chairman, Task Force on Alcoholism Among Blacks in NC
 - > Chair, Durham County Board of Health
 - > Board of Directors, Healthco, Soul City, NC
 - > President, North Carolina Public Health Association, Inc.
 - > Chair, Health Committee, Durham Committee on the Affairs of Black People
- Lifetime Member of NCCU Alumni Association; established the Howard M. Fitts Endowed Scholarship in the Department of Public Health Education; Lifetime Member of NCCU Retirement Association
- Lifetime Member of NAACP
- Lifetime Member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated



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The family is extremely grateful for all acts of kindness extended during this difficult time, whether you sent a card or flowers, spoke comforting words, lent a shoulder, whispered a prayer or simply kept us in your thoughts, it has not gone unnoticed. May God continue to bless you!

**A Celebration of Life Service to Honor
Dr. Howard M. Fitts, Jr.
will be held in June, 2023.
Date to be announced.**



A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands at rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us. He only takes the best.

Author Unknown

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