

## Grace Adams' transition

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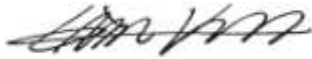
Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Our beloved sister, Grace Adams passed to the spirit world on Wednesday, January 22 in Washington, DC. She loved True Parents very much and lived a faithful life with a kind and gentle heart.

Let us support Grace's family during this important time and pray for her victorious transition to a glorious new life in the spiritual world.

Following is brief biography from Grace's son, Ryan and a testimony from her spiritual mother, Kimiko Sasabe Leal.

Sincerely,



Dr. Ki Hoon Kim  
Continental Director



Dr. Michael Balcomb  
President

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## Victorious Life of Grace Adams



Ms. Grace Elaine Adams, the daughter of the late Grace Elizabeth Everett and George Zollie Malloy, was born on September 17, 1948, in Scotland County, North Carolina and raised in New York City. She departed this life in peaceful comfort on Wednesday, January 22, 2014, at the Specialty Hospital of Washington Capitol Hill in Washington, DC.

Ms. Adams graduated from the Eli Whitley High School of New York City and attended Brooklyn Community College. In 1964, she married the late Robert Lee Adams, Sr. and had two sons, Robert Lee Adams, Jr. and Ryan Lamont Adams.

In 1974, she joined the Unification church noting her spiritual birthday on February 10, 1975. Grace dedicated her life and work to the church and to the fulfillment of God's word. She loved to travel for missionary work and to care for the children of the church. She often shared many smiles and gave hope to people everywhere.

She leaves to cherish her memories, her sons, Robert L. Adams, Jr. of New York and Ryan L. Adams of Maryland; a nephew, Keith Everett of New York; eight grandchildren, Sherese Adams, Lamont Adams, and Latasha Adams of New York, Robert Adams III, Kashawn Adams, and Nakita Adams of Florida and Yejin Adams and Imani Adams of New York; four great-grandchildren, Daizahnae Adams Wood, Kamiya Harry, and Jabari Adams of New York, and Kashawn Adams, Jr. of Florida; and many other relatives, church family and friends.

## **Testimony from Grace's Spiritual Mother**

I met Grace in October, 1974 while witnessing in front of the New York City Library. She came up to me and said she remembered hearing of Rev. Moon's September 18 speaking event at Madison Square Garden that had taken place a month earlier. She remembered the day because her birthday is September 17. She asked me how was the Madison Square Garden event, and I said it was great and that so many people came. Unfortunately, at that time I couldn't speak English well, but she was patient and carefully listened to me. As much as possible, I wanted to explain to her about True Father.

That day, I invited Grace to attend a Divine Principle lecture, but she said that she was busy and couldn't come. Her name was Elaine at that time and she gave me her phone number and address. When I called her later, she promised to attend a Three-Day Divine Principle workshop, but two or three times she confirmed and then couldn't make it, mainly because she had to take care of her two young sons. I was almost ready to give up on the possibility of her attending a Divine Principle workshop, but through her determination, she was able to have her mother take care of her sons and she attended a workshop in Barrytown, NY, on December 28-30, 1974. She attended another Three-Day Divine Principle workshop on February 8-10, 1975, in Barrytown, NY, and signed the Associate Membership form on the final day. She went to Seven-Day Divine Principle workshop on April 1, 1975. She brought her mother to a church event at the YMCA in New York City on April 18, 1975. At some point, early in her faith journey, Elaine decided to use her middle name Grace.

Grace loved True Parents very much. She experienced so many difficulties and disappointments in her life, but she kept a faithful, gentle and loving heart. I really feel that the name Grace fits her personality, faith, and nature.

I wasn't able to see her very much over the years, but we would speak by phone on occasion. She would discuss her health difficulties with me, including her diabetes, which I also have. I didn't realize how serious her health situation was. When we spoke, she was mostly concerned about my health instead of talking about her own.

I'm proud of Grace. She is a lovely person and a real champion of faith. Heavenly Parents embrace such a lovely, faithful heart. I'm glad Heavenly Parents introduced me to this wonderful person. I love you, Grace!

## **Seonghwa Service**

Grace's Seonghwa Service will be held at 1:00 PM on Saturday, February 1, 2014 at the Washington, DC Family Church, 1610 Columbia Rd. NW, Washington, DC.