



Frances Rogers Stevens Payne

August 28, 1927 - January 23, 2008

Funeral services for Frances Rogers Stevens Payne, 80, will be held at 3:00 p.m. Saturday, January 26, 2008 at the First Church of the Nazarene. The Rev. Michael Blankenship will officiate with burial in New Market United Methodist Church Cemetery. Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home is serving the family. The family will receive friends Friday, January 25, 2008 from 5-7 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the First Church of the Nazarene, 1909 West BoBo Newsome Highway, Hartsville SC, 29550.

Mrs. Payne, widow of J. C. Stevens and Bill Payne, died Wednesday, January 23, 2008. Born in Hartsville, SC, she was a daughter of the late John Henry and Nona Caddell Rogers. She was retired from Springs Mills as an instructor. She was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene and a godly lady who loved her Lord, her family and her church. She was a positive person who put others first and loved life, a caregiver to many, a great cook, and most especially a great prayer partner and prayer warrior.

Surviving are her son and daughter-in-law, Pete and Linda Stevens of Hartsville, SC; daughter and son-in-law, Pat and Levan Hewitt of Hartsville, SC; sisters, Nona Mae Howard, Myrtle Moore, Juanita Peavy, all of Hartsville, SC; brother and sister-in-law, George W. "Bo" and Betty Rogers of Hartsville, SC; grandchildren, Johnny Stevens, Wayne Hewitt, Richie Stevens, Dawn Stevens, Brandie Berghorn; 12 great-grandchildren; special friend, Wallace Gainey.

Previous Events

Service

JAN 1. 12:00 AM (ET)

First Church of the Nazarene
1909 West BoBo Newsome Highway
Hartsville, SC

Tribute Wall



“ Coach Hewitt and Couch Berghorn, I am so terribly sorry to hear of your loss. She was truly a great woman. We will miss her dearly. Caitlin and I are here if either of you need anything, no matter how big or small.

May God be with you in this time of need. I know exactly what both of you are going through. I lost my mom, dad, and grandmother last year within a month and a half. Please don't hesitate to call even if you just need a friendly ear or shoulder to cry on.

We love you both.##imported-begin##Christine Brigman
Wilson##imported-end##

February 05, 2008 at 06:07 PM



“ Pat,Pete & Family, my prayers and thoughts are with each of you at this very sad time - I truly understand what you are going through as I also lost my best friend in October and know that God still is in control of everything even though sometimes we don't understand what is going on at the time - always remember He is always there for us - we just have to call on Him - mucy love to each of you##imported-begin##Lynda S. Weatherford##imported-end##

February 04, 2008 at 02:35 PM



“ Dear family members of Miss Frances,
Miss Frances was a caregiver to my mother for 2 1/2 years until my mother's death. Miss Frances became like one of our family during this time and we grew to love her very much. Miss Frances touched a lot of lives while down on this earth, including ours. We will all miss her and look forward to seeing her again one day.##imported-begin##Barbara & Laurie Sansbury ##imported-end##

February 03, 2008 at 06:52 PM



“ Myrtle, Pat, Brandi, and Family, We are sorry for your recent loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Keith, Tyra, Jessica, Rachel, and Jacob Moore##imported-begin##Keith Moore, Myrtle Beach, SC##imported-end##

February 03, 2008 at 01:45 PM



“ PAT WAS SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR MOTHER PASSING.SHE WAS A WONDERFUL PERSON WHO ALWAYS HAD A KIND WORD FOR EVERYONE. I KNOW SHE HAS FOUND MAMA AND THEY'RE HAVING A GOOD TIME. MAMA LOVED YOUR MOTHER VERY MUCH. MAY GOD KEEP HIS LOVING ARMS AROUND YOU AND BLESS YOU.

LOVE IN THE LORD

LEO##imported-begin##LEO OUTLAW##imported-end##

January 30, 2008 at 08:55 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear of Aunt frances's passing. Please let me know if we can do anything ...803-233-4469

Love Yall,
Robbie###imported-begin###Robert (Robbie) Cook Jr ###imported-end##

January 30, 2008 at 07:45 PM



“ Dear family members of Mrs. Frances...I am so sorry to learn of your loss. Mrs. Frances and I spent many mornings at the Burger King drinking coffee, reading the newspapers, and discussing our children and grandchildren. From our conversations, I learned that she was so proud of her family members. I could tell from the “sparkle” in her eyes and her comments that she was a loving mother,grandmother,and great-grandmother. My prayers are with each of you during this time.###imported-begin###Wayne Sims###imported-end##

January 29, 2008 at 09:25 PM



“ It is in times like these that we truly see the love and strength of God. I know the emptiness you are feeling as I too have lost my best friend this past Sunday. I find my comfort in the fact that I know she is in a much better place with a whole body no longer in pain. I am sure like me, you are going to miss your loved one but we do have the promise of see them again one day when we too go through those pearly gates. We will be remembering you in our prayers and ask you to remember our family too.

Love in Christ,
Reba and Bobby Goff###imported-begin###Reba Goff###imported-end##

January 29, 2008 at 11:16 AM



“ Dear Mr. Wallace, Aunt Pat, Uncle Levan, Brandie, Wayne, Pete, Linda, Johnny, Dawn, Richie, Uncle Bo, Aunt Nita, Aunt Myrtle, and Grandma: On behalf of the staff of Agape Hospice of the Pee Dee, please know that we are so very sorry for your loss and want to express our heartfelt sympathy. Aunt Frances will be missed dearly and there will never be a prayer warrior group like "The Roger sisters". I will always cherish all the times they prayed for me during my hardest struggles and my greatest achievements and the support they gave me. Remember this earth is not our home, we are only passing through as we travel life's journey! I waited until now to send this, so I could say what a beautiful going home celebration service Aunt Frances had and that I was honored to have a part in her service. Hold to the promise and we will see her again "In a Family Reunion"! So many are praying for all of you and should you need me in any way, I am just a phone call away. Sincerely, John "Bootsie" Griggs###imported-begin###Bootsie Griggs###imported-end##

January 29, 2008 at 08:54 AM



“ Pat and Brandie and family
I am so sorry to hear of your loss. She was such a pleasant lady and a pleasure to be around. She will be missed by all. My prayers are with you and your family.###imported-begin###Nicole Barefoot###imported-end##

January 28, 2008 at 05:44 PM



“ To the family of Miss Frances
I am so sorry to hear of your loss I met Miss Frances when I worked
at Burger King and I just talked to her a couple of weeks ago
MY thoughts and prayers are with you all

Denise Cluney##imported-begin##Denise Cluney##imported-end##

January 28, 2008 at 01:35 PM



“ Coach Hewitt you are in my thoughts and prayers. God Bless you
and your entire family.##imported-begin##Cindy Griggs##imported-
end##

January 28, 2008 at 12:50 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Love Margo##imported-
begin##Margo and Stan Pruitt##imported-end##

January 28, 2008 at 06:59 AM



“ Pat,Levan,Pete,Linda, I don't know if there is enough words to describe how much I loved Aunt Frances.It was so hard on me when I lost Mama, but Aunt Frances stepped right up trying to be another fill in Mom for me and she was wonderful. She was always there if I was in the hospital or sick at home and always brought her delicious vegetable soup everytime I was sick. We shared many conversations on the telephone morning and late at night. I will surely miss those calls. My hurt is deep but I know yours is much greater and you will miss her. I know how much she loved each of you and how she prayed for so many things that you may have been going through. I will miss her prayers for my family also. I will miss our trips to the beach even though she tried to walk to fast and fell and hurt her knee last summer when Aunt Myrtle, Wanda, Aunt Frances and me went to the beach. We had such a wonderful time. She was always full of laughter and made each day so special. I can't believe just hours before she died that she came over and stayed with me for about two hours and we had planned to go this Tuesday and get sausage. She even told me how Levan would cook sausage for Brandi and have her milk ready every morning. She beamed with pride when she talked about any of you. She always wanted all of our family to be close and love one another and she loved everyone of us. I will always cherish our times together. It will not be easy but with God's help we can all hang on until we see all of our love ones in Heaven one day. I really don't believe it will be long. I love each of you and all of my family and she would want us all to remain close to each other.I believe Aunt Frances would say to each of us what the scriptures says in 1John 4:12 which is If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and His love is perfected in us. Please let me know if I can do anything for you. Kay###imported-begin###Kay Tumbleston###imported-end###

January 27, 2008 at 10:48 PM



“ Dear Pat and family, we were so sorry to hear about your mother. we continue to keep you and your family in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Jimmy & Rita White##imported-end##

January 27, 2008 at 08:28 PM



“ Dear Mrs. Hewitt and family,
I am so saddened by the loss of your loved one. I can share sympathy with all of you because I just lost my daddy on December 22. I spoke with Aunt Frances several times at church and other family occasions. She was a very dear person and poured her heart out to all who knew her. I know she is in Heaven, as well as my daddy, and they are no longer suffering. Your family is in my daily thoughts and prayers. God will help you all through this--he has helped me tremendously.
Again, I am truly sorry for your loss.
Michelle Brand##imported-begin##Michelle Brand##imported-end##

January 27, 2008 at 06:26 PM



“ Dear Pat, Levan, Brandie, Pete, Linda, Johnny, Dawn, Ritchie and extended family: My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. I enjoyed so much seeing Mrs. Frances at church and appreciated her enthusiasm, dedication, and commitment. Seeing those precious sisters sitting together at church blessed me as I saw the love that they had for each other. That love will go on thru her memories and example she left for us all to follow. The funeral service was a wonderful going home celebration for Miss Frances. Please know I am here should you need me in any way. Love,
Jenny##imported-begin##Jenny Davis##imported-end##

January 27, 2008 at 02:49 PM



“ Sincere sympathy to all the family. Love & Prayers. The Pait's##imported-begin##Rayford & Carolyn Pait##imported-end##

January 27, 2008 at 11:48 AM



“ It is sad to hear about your great loss. I know you mother will be sadly missed.Maybe these words will comfort you in your days to come.

My Friend....

*To know you is to know someone special,
Someone with a warm and thoughtful way*

*Of making life especially nice for others and adding so much
sunshine to a day...*

To know you is to want you to be happy

*And to have your every wish and dream come true, And so not just
at this time,But always, You're wished the best
that life can bring you.*

*We will be remindful in days ahead for you and your
family.##imported-begin##Dawn and Randy Davis##imported-
end##*

January 27, 2008 at 10:32 AM



“ Francis was one of the best friends we had. We enjoyed many mornings at Hardies, Shopping, eating out, and just being together. She was always there when we needed a lift. She was one of the few we meet in our lifetime and we thank God for sending her our way. She was truly one of God's Angels.##imported-begin##Jack & Charlotte Rumbley##imported-end##

January 26, 2008 at 07:45 PM



“ Deae Stevens and Hewitt Families,
I am so sorry to hear of the passing of such a wonderful woman. Every time my son and I visited the Nazarene church she also found us no matter we're we sat. Always having a smile and big hug welcoming us there, either there with Mike Caddell and the King racing team or with Ms. Betty Gainey. Mrs. Pat and Pete just remember the words to Garth Brooks song "The Dance" we could have missed the pain but we'd miss the dance of life "
With all our love,
Dana Munn Parker and Cody Parker##imported-begin##Dana Munn Parker##imported-end##

January 26, 2008 at 07:04 PM



“ We wanted to send our greatest sympathy to the family for their loss. Ms. Francis always had a smile on her face and taking care of other people. She had away of leaving her mark on people that never fades away. I was a ball player for Coach Hewitt. I can remember Ms. Francis and my grandpa sitting in the stands together pulling for the red foxes. I also remember sll the warm hugs she would give out. Ms. Francis you will be missed. I know you are having a great time with your Maker. Tell my grandmother and Jill's daddy we said hello.##imported-begin##Candace Skipper and Jill Roberson##imported-end##

January 26, 2008 at 10:48 AM



“ To the entire family of her loved ones: Francis was one of the most remarkable women I have ever known. She had a very beautiful gift from God. I enjoyed more than words can say her beautiful fellowship in the Lord. Whenever I think of revival, I think of her. Words cannot describe what we enjoyed together in His presence. I'm sure she is shouting over heaven now with her loved ones. Love Darlene Gaddy##imported-begin##Darlene & Leon Gaddy##imported-end##

January 25, 2008 at 07:20 PM



“ pat and family i was so sorry to hear about the loss of your mother you are in my thoughts and prayers##imported-begin##gail peavy ##imported-end##

January 25, 2008 at 07:07 PM



“ Frances will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. I got to know her through research on our family tree. She was a big help. I am so grateful for the time I spent with her. I got to know her a little. You were blessed. Gay and Jim [son of Mary Stevens and JB Stephens.##imported-begin##Jim and Gay Stephens##imported-end##

January 25, 2008 at 05:03 PM



“ Dear Pat, Pete, and family
Aunt Frances has always been there for me. She was always an encourager and I admired her zest for life! Even after two open heart surgeries she kept right on going with a smile! I'm so thankful that we have a praying family that cares for one another. She leaves a legacy of being a "prayer warrior" that a lot of people don't have. I'll always remember the delicious meals she would prepare when our families ate together. The day that she died she brought me a flower and told me she was praying for me and that she loved me because she knew I had been sick. I also hugged and kissed her and told her I loved her not realizing we were saying goodbye here on this earth. I'm so thankful that I know she is in heaven rejoicing! I love you all! Wanda Brown###imported-begin###Wanda Brown###imported-end###

January 25, 2008 at 02:51 PM



“ My Prayers are with you and your family, Love You and be encouraged!###imported-begin###WENDY DENNIS###imported-end###

January 25, 2008 at 02:45 PM



“ Dear Coach Hewitt, Brandi, and family I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. If I can do anything to help you during this difficult time please do not hesitate to call.

Much love,
Mary Helen Geris###imported-begin###Mary Helen Geris###imported-end###

January 25, 2008 at 02:10 PM



“ You are in mine and my family's thoughts and prayers. We love you.
Kirby###imported-begin###Kirby Cassady###imported-end##

January 25, 2008 at 01:53 PM



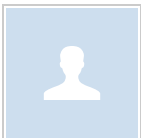
“ Pat, Lavan, Pete, Linda, Dawn and Brandi. I was saddened to hear of the passing of your mom and Grandmother. It's so hard to lose anyone but seems we're never quite finished with our mom's. May god's richest blessings be with each of you and think of how happy and blessed she is in her new home.###imported-begin###Janelle Britt###imported-end##

January 25, 2008 at 12:12 PM



“ My heart goes out to the family. I stayed with my greatgrand mother Kate Hatfield and went to New Market for years with her. So I grew up knowing the family. I will pray for the family and I know that God will keep all of you.###imported-begin###Danny Steen###imported-end##

January 25, 2008 at 12:03 PM



“ Pat, and family We are Sorry to hear about the passing of your Mother. Rest assured that you are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.
We are praying for you. Grady O'Neal and Melva "Red"
O'Neal###imported-begin###Grady O'Neal###imported-end##

January 25, 2008 at 11:45 AM



“ *Pete, Linda, Levan, Pat & families,
We are so saddened by our loss, but rejoice over Heaven's gain!
Ms. Frances was a true saint of God. She was always smiling. If you
ever needed encouraging, she would always know what to say. She
loved her family, friends, and her church. She was such an
inspiration to me and my whole family. Our thoughts and prayers
are with you. We love you and are grieving with you. She will truly
be missed. ###imported-begin###Danny, Naomi, Morgan & Chase
Holley###imported-end##*

January 25, 2008 at 11:28 AM



“ *Dawn,
You are in our prayers. If you need anything, just ask.###imported-
begin###Melissa and Anthony Melton###imported-end##*

January 25, 2008 at 10:09 AM



“ *Pat Hewitt and Family, My thoughts and prayers are with you and
your family at this time. May God bless and carry you through these
days ahead. Your Mother was a wonderful lady. God bless you.
Edna Faye Warr###imported-begin###Edna Faye Warr###imported-
end##*

January 25, 2008 at 10:01 AM



“ Pat, Levan, Pete, Linda, Jon, Brandi, and all of the other family: It is with mixed emotions that I share your loss but Heaven's gain. What a wonderful lady Mrs. Frances was!! She was always trying to help others and was such a powerful Christian. I treasured our friendship and the many prayers she prayed for our church and our members. She was truly an angel in my book. My family (Jane, Tony & Anthony) will miss seeing her at church. But we do have the knowledge that we can and will see her someday in Heaven. We love you all.##imported-begin##Nelvia Paine##imported-end##

January 25, 2008 at 08:40 AM



“ Dear,Aunt Frances I know your up heaven and I miss you very much.You were like a grandma to me.I LOVED coming to your house.I LOVE YOU.##imported-begin##kaylee white##imported-end##

January 25, 2008 at 07:03 AM



“ Sorry to hear of Mrs Frances going home to be with the Lord, our thoughts and prayers are with all the Stevens and Payne families.She was such a fine lady.From all the Gainey family Pat, Barbara,Dora,Mack,Wayne.##imported-begin##Dora Jean " Gainey' Miller##imported-end##

January 25, 2008 at 06:24 AM



“ My heart is so broken over the death of Aunt Frances and although I know she is in Heaven, it hurts deeply to think of life without her. She has been more than an Aunt to me, she's been my prayer warrior, my fill in Grandma, my confidant, and my friend. I feel so blessed that she was such a vital part of my life. I cannot remember a time in my life that she wasn't there when I needed her. She shared all the milestones in my life, from my graduations, to my wedding, my babies being born, she attended all the baptisms of my kids, Kaylee's recitals, Austin and Landon's activities, shared our Christmases, our birthdays, our sicknesses, and I could go on and on. The void that is in our hearts will never be filled until we join her in Heaven one day. Along with all the memories and pictures of all our good times, I will also remember her for the way she dearly loved her entire family and the great care she gave in helping others. I'll also remember how she loved and took such good care of my Grandma and how she stepped right in after Grandma died and watched over Mama as Grandma would have wanted her to do. Aunt Frances was an Angel even before she entered the gates of Heaven. To all my family, I grieve with you and will continue praying that the Lord will get us through the difficult times ahead. Aunt Pat, Levan, Linda, and Pete, she loved you all dearly and was very proud of you. To the Sisters and Uncle Bo, I know you are hurting from losing a dear sister. To the grandkids, she loved you all and always beamed with pride when speaking of you. To Mama, I know you are hurting because you've lost not only an Aunt but a "best friend", but God is going to see us all through this. I know I'm just one of the many lives she touched but I'll forever be grateful for being part of her life.

Love,

Tammy##imported-begin##Tammy White##imported-end##

January 24, 2008 at 10:03 PM



“ Pat, Brandie

I am so sorry for your lost. I know that this is a very tough time for all of you. I pray that GOD will give you all the strength that you need in this difficult time. If there is anything that I can do please do not hesitate to let me know. We love you both and hope to see you soon.

Amanda, Joseph and Hunter Lloyd###imported-begin##Amanda Lloyd###imported-end##

January 24, 2008 at 08:41 PM



“ Coach Hewitt/Berghorn,

I am very sorry for your lost. I miss you both very much and I'm praying that God will give you strenght.I love you guys.

Katelyn Steen###imported-begin##Katelyn Steen###imported-end##

January 24, 2008 at 08:10 PM



“ Dear,Pat,Pete and entire family. We are so sorry to hear of the passing of Mrs. Frances. She was such a wonderful and joyful lady to be around. She was one that loved her family and really loved the Lord. Just hold onto the memories and continue to follow the Lord in the difficult days ahead.You all are in our thoughts and prayers.

Wade,Laura,Amanda & Emily Harris###imported-begin##Wade Harris###imported-end##

January 24, 2008 at 07:22 PM



“ Pat, Pete and Grandchildren

I know this was a shock for you because I couldn't believe it because I had just seen her at Church and she was so happy. She was such a wonderful lady and I will never forget how good she was to my Mother when she took care of her so I could work. If there is anything we can do just let us know. You will be in our thoughts and prayers in the days ahead as you have been in the past.

We love all of you

Love Buck and Joye(She always called him Buck)##imported-begin##Bucky & Joye Howard##imported-end##

January 24, 2008 at 04:51 PM



“ Myrtle, You will be in my thoughts and prayers in the days ahead. Sincerely, Rachel##imported-begin##Rachel Doyle Medlin##imported-end##

January 24, 2008 at 04:26 PM



“ Pat, Brandie, and family,

We were so sorry to hear about your mother/grandmother. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. We love you.

Gina & Tommy##imported-begin##Gina & Tommy Easterling##imported-end##

January 24, 2008 at 02:43 PM



“ Dawn, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. My God be with you and give you the strength to get through this difficult time in your life.##imported-begin##Holly Lambert##imported-end##

January 24, 2008 at 02:39 PM



“ My prayers are with you and your family during this time of bereavement.##imported-begin##Ms. Jenkins##imported-end##

January 24, 2008 at 02:28 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your entire family. Ms. Frances was such a sweet and special person. She always had a kind word and a smile whenever you saw her. She will be greatly missed.##imported-begin##Jody, Renee and Jayme Douglas##imported-end##

January 24, 2008 at 02:13 PM



“ Pat, Pete, Mrs Peavy and family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Mrs Francis was a wonderful lady. I know that my Uncle Wallace will miss her terribly. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Lisa Robbins##imported-end##

January 24, 2008 at 01:50 PM



“ Our love and prayers are with each of you at this time. You all will always be my second family. I cherish so many fond memories of when we lived in South Carolina and how welcomed and loved we were by your family. I know that Francis is in heaven with my dad, Virgil Scott. I/we love each of you.
Francis was a wonderful lady. I'm so glad that on our last visit to Hartsville that we got to visit with her. May God bless each of you and you're in our prayers.##imported-begin##Bill & Sheila Scott Bray & Sons (Jordan, David, Aaron)##imported-end##

January 24, 2008 at 01:44 PM



“ Myrtle and family, Howard and I send our love and prayers to you at this time. If we can be of any help please call.
We love you
Betsy and Howard III##imported-begin##Howard III and Betsy Moore##imported-end##

January 24, 2008 at 01:41 PM



“ Dear Family of Aunt Frances, Freddie and I could hardly believe the news about the homegoing of Aunt Frances. It is wonderful to know that she enjoyed life to the fullest and she will surely be missed by our family.

Please know that the entire extended family will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Love You,

Ann and Freddie Brand##imported-begin##Ann H. Brand##imported-end##

January 24, 2008 at 12:26 PM



“ Dear Pat, Pete, Brandi, and extended family, on behalf of the Howard Family, we are so saddened by the loss of Aunt Frances. She was another "Mother" to so many of us; however, our loss is Heaven's gain, and please know that each one of you are in our thoughts and prayers.

We love you!

The Howard Family##imported-begin##Doris H. Griggs##imported-end##

January 24, 2008 at 12:23 PM



“ Aunt Frances will be sadly missed each and everyday. I Know it is hard but she is home now. There will be no more suffering. The whole family will be in our thoughts and prayers as the days come forward##imported-begin##Buddy Rogers Family ##imported-end##

January 24, 2008 at 12:21 PM