



Janet Wickham

January 20, 1914 - September 15, 2006

Janet Wickham one of Dupont Park Seventh-day Adventist Church's most historic, stellar, charming, attractive senior citizens, is now resting in Jesus. She has proven that with application and tenacity your dreams will come true.

Janet, the only child of John and Rachel Wickham was born in Washington, D. C. on January 20, 1914. An energetic, intelligent, adventuresome child, she graduated from Cardozo High School and enrolled in Howard University. Her dreams were shattered when she had to drop out and become the family breadwinner and caretaker.

While at Howard, however, she was interested in a variety of things, intellectually, spiritually and mechanically. She even became a member of an aviation club and became one of the pioneer females to fly an airplane. She was in her 20s at that time. Pictures of her with her instructor and the J-3 Piper airplanes, dated 1941 are documented proof of her attainments; and are on file.

After dropping out of college, she worked for the U. S. Government for a while. She returned to Howard University and graduated with a BS degree in accounting and economics in 1955. Her thirst for greater scholastic attainments gained her the coveted Masters Degree in Education from the University of Maryland in 1966.

She taught at Dupont Park School for ten years, business courses in the high schools for the District of Columbia, the city of Baltimore, Maryland and the State of Maryland, during which time she received many honors and awards. Her volunteer contributions often led to youth camps and youth programs.

Finally, after a full, exciting and rewarding life, she retired from teaching for the first time in 1976 and again in 1992 at 78 years of age.

In the early 1940s Janet attended evangelistic meetings with her grandmother, Mrs. Ada Bollin-Anderson, who was an historic figure in her own right. As a child, Mrs. Bolin-Anderson worked running errands and serving General Robert E. Lee, of Civil War fame.

On June 13, 1942, Elder J. E. Johnson baptized Janet into the Seventh-day Adventist Church. She has served her church in many capacities, both in the old Ephesus Seventh-day Adventist Church and after the congregation moved to its present site and changed its name to Dupont Park Seventh-day Adventist Church.

A lover of antiques and music, Janet took violin, piano and organ lessons. One of her prized possessions was an antique harp. She sang in the Chancel Choir and with many outstanding choirs and choral ensembles of Dupont Church. A few years ago, while she was a part of a recital she said, "Music is such a wonderful thing, it is so uplifting. Many seniors have only the TV and radio to listen to, and therefore have too much time to think of sad things, and reflect on people and times gone by. I have God as my very best friend. I have the church, my church family and the service I can render as a deaconess; community service helper; Sabbath School member; small group ministries member; support to Dupont Park School, Pine Forge Academy and Oakwood college. I strongly support our young people. Along with my music, I have not

time left to think of sad things.?

Janet loved to travel and has traveled to nearly a dozen countries of the world, as well as most of the states of this beautiful country.

Congratulations, Janet. Take your nap. Jesus will soon come to awaken you, and we can all go to heaven, where we will travel throughout God's endless universe and sing with the heavenly angels, forever and ever.

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“ Janet Wickham

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“ Ms. Wickham was a very special person and a child of God. I remember being in her typing class at Dupont Park when I first moved here from Denver Colorado. Ms. Wickham was very energetic and funny. I enjoyed her class and when I graduated from college with and became a teacher she was excited for me. She will be greatly missed by not only me but by many who were able and fortunate enough to be in her class.##imported-begin##Nikki Peterson##imported-end##

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