THE HOMEGOING CELEBRATION

FOR

THE REVEREND DOCTOR CHARLES SPENCER HAMILTON

Friday, May 30, 1997
1:00 p.m.

Tabernacle Baptist Church
1223 Laney Walker Boulevard
Augusta, Georgia

Reverend Kenneth Walker, Officiating
Dr. Kenneth T. Whalum, Eulogy
OBITUARY

CHARLES S. HAMILTON was born in Cedartown, Georgia to Reverend Lindley D. and Mrs. C. Mozelle Hamilton on May 12, 1927.

EDUCATED
Public Schools of Power Springs, Georgia, Elementary and Junior High; Booker T. Washington High School, Atlanta, Georgia.

GRADUATED

PAST AFFILIATIONS

PASTOR
First African Baptist Church, Thomasville, Georgia; Arbor Grove Baptist Church and Woodward Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia; First Baptist Church, LaGrange, Georgia; Tabernacle Baptist Church, Augusta, Georgia.

PRESIDENT
Augusta Lincoln League

MEMBER BOARDS OF DIRECTOR
Morehouse School of Religion and Member of the Board of Trustees Paine College, Member Board of Trustees of Interdenominational Theological Center, and Life Member NAACP.

MEMBER
Augusta Richmond County Planning and Zoning Commission, Personnel Committee of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, Downtown Cooperative Church Ministry, Martin Luther King International Memorial Chapel, Chairman of Board of Communities in Schools of Augusta-Richmond County, and Augusta Aviation Authority.

MILITARY EXPERIENCE
United States Army Medical Corps, Fort Sam Houston, Texas; United States Maritime Service, Sheepshead Bay, New York.

PRESIDENT
Augusta Baptist Ministers’ Conference, New Era Missionary Convention of Georgia, Augusta Branch NAACP, Founder and Director of Augusta Opportunity Industrialization Center, Chairman Augusta Civil Service Commission.

AWARDS - HONORS

Those who are left to mourn the passing of “Hamp” are Mrs. Lillie M. Hamilton, wife; a son, Ronald Hamilton; two daughters, Mrs. Gale Scaggs, and Ms. Rachel Hamilton; his mother, Mrs. C. Mozelle Hamilton; a brother, Dr. Lindley D. Hamilton; an aunt, Mrs. Thelma Bunts; a nephew, Dr. John J. Howell; four cousins, Mr. Thurman Bunts, Mrs. Sammie Lue Maddox, Dr. WilbornWeddington, Mrs. Vickie Stokes; a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Rosemary Hamilton; a son-in-law, Mr. Charles Scaggs; seven grandchildren, Lauri, Charles, Brandon, Chuna, Tyrell, Tevin and Salena Matea; two Godchildren, Velvie L. Ketch and Jessica Williams.
The Rev. Charles Spencer Hamilton 70, of 2712 Oakland Ave., died Sunday, May 25, 1997, at University Hospital.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Friday at Tabernacle Baptist Church with the Rev. Kenneth Twigg Whalum officiating. Burial will be in Hillcrest Memorial Park. The Rev. Hamilton, a native of Cedartown, GA, was the retired minister of Tabernacle Baptist Church. He was educated in the public schools of Powder Springs and graduated from Booker T. Washington High School, Atlanta. He received a bachelor of divinity degree from the Morehouse School of Religion College in 1953, a bachelor of arts from Morehouse College in 1958, and a master of sacred theology from the Morehouse School of Religion and Interdenominational Theological Center in 1964. He earned the doctor of ministry degree from Colgate Rochester Divinity School, Baxley Hall Crozier Theological Seminary in Rochester, N.Y., in 1975. In 1988, the Rev. Hamilton was awarded an honorary doctor of ministry degree from Morehouse School of Religion of the Interdenominational Theological Center.

He had served as pastor of Augusta's Tabernacle Baptist Church, as well as First African Baptist Church, Thomasville, Arbor Grove Baptist Church and Woodward Baptist Church, Atlanta, and First Baptist Church, LaGrange, GA. He was president of the Augusta Lincoln League, a member of the Board of Directors of the Morehouse School of Religion, a member of the Board of Trustees at Paine College and the Interdenominational Theological Center, and a life member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

The Rev. Hamilton was a member of the Augusta Richmond County Planning and Zoning Commission, the personnel, the personnel committee of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, the Downtown Cooperative Church Ministry, Martin Luther King International Memorial Chapel, and the Augusta Aviation Authority, and chairman of the Board of Communities in schools of Augusta-Richmond County.

He served in the Army Medical Corps in Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and United States Maritime Service, Sheepshead Bay, New York. He was president of the Augusta Baptist Ministers' Conference, New Era Missionary Convention of Georgia, and the Augusta branch of the NAACP, chairman of the Augusta Opportunity Industrial Center.

He received the Omega Psi Phi Man of the Year award in 1995, the Freedom Award of the Augusta Richmond County Voters League in 1963, Minister of the Augusta Richmond County Voters League in 1963, Minister of the Year award of the Ladies Service Club of WCA in 1985 and the Delta Sigma Theta Certificate of Merit in 1985.

Survivors include his wife, Lillie M. Hamilton; and son, Ronald Hamilton, Evans; two daughters, Gale Scaggs, Atlanta, and Rachel Hamilton Tennessee; his mother, C. Mozelle Hamilton, Atlanta; a brother, Lindley D. Hamilton, Atlanta; seven grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Roosevelt Abrams, Charles Bess Sr., Jerry Brook Sr., David Butler Sr., Houghlon Johnson, Quincy Murphy Sr., Alfred Reed and John Richardson. Honorary pallbearers will be member of the Augusta Baptist Ministers Conference; Bannaker Lodge No. 3, Free and Accepted Masons; Communities in School Board of Directors; Omega Psi Phi Fraternity; the Paine College Board of Trustees; the Progressive National Baptist Convention Clergy; the Tabernacle Board of Deacons and the Walker Baptist Association.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the church. Dent's Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.