

A tribute to our First Lady

By Dorothy Wedad

To have shared a brief moment in the life of Sister Clara Muhammad, the Wife of the Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad, The Messenger of Allah, hardly qualifies me to write this Tribute. But the Sweetness of these moments shall be cherished forever.

The Honorable Elijah Muhammad is the greatest man on earth besides Almighty Allah Himself, to whom all praise is due. This his Wife, whom he loved so dearly was a Great woman. Being the first convert of her Husband's was but a prelude to a legacy of untold sacrifice, suffering, misery, humiliation and acts of atrocities shared with him.

To have endured hunger, pain,

sickness, loneliness and mockery was the legacy of our Lady — all this, and more she endured before the few years of heaven in which she reaped some of the benefits of her sacrifice.

Her death leaves a vacuum in our lives, but the sweetness of her life shall live eternally in our memories and hearts and in the hearts of all who love her, all who shared but a moment, a firm hand shake, a pleasant smile, caught a fleeting glimpse, or those who have only heard of her goodness.

This was Our Lady — a woman of unequalled strength, destined to share the life of a Man missioned to raise a mentally dead nation to be rulers of the earth.

Her legacy to us is the pattern of life that she lived, so that we, the Staff, and all of the Black Women of the Earth can be proud of her great strength, her great love and her great sacrifice. A Perfect example — A Woman of profound love for her HUSBAND and of perfect virtue.

We the Staff of the House of the Honorable. Elijah Muhammad extend to him our Dear Leader and Teacher and His Family our deepest sympathy. And, we Thank Almighty God Allah, who Came in the Person of Master Fard Muhammad, for being here at this time, enabling us to have shared a few precious moments of "Our First Lady's Life."

We, the staff of the Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad, wish to express our deep sorrow for the loss of our first lady, Mrs. Clara Muhammad. Those of us who were Blessed to know her, feel a personal loss for we knew her sweetness in our daily lives.

To our Beloved Leader and Teacher, The Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad, and to his family we express our sympathy.

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