Pg. 5 Sandra knew these Biblical truths.

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world...." Comment about what "so loved ..that He gave.

Do you believe that? - SANDRA certainly did!!!

She had that "living hope" -- 1 Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, [4] to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, [5] who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. [6] In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, [7] that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, [8] whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, [9] receiving the end of your faith--the salvation of your souls.

That living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

John 11:25-26

Jesus said to her, <u>"I am the resurrection and the life.</u> He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. [26] And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. <u>Do you believe this?"</u>

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2. SONG – IN THE GARDEN ERNIE FORD VS 1-2

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He speaks, and the sound of His voice, Is so sweet the birds hush their singing, And the melody that He gave to me Within my heart is ringing. -- Refrain

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SONG - AMAZING GRACE - JUDY COLLINS

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Amazing grace! How sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares, we have already come; 'Tis grace hath brought us safe thus far, And grace will lead us home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first begun.

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Pg. 3. (Beginning of Memorial Service)

Sandra Smith Memorial:

Welcome on behalf of the Smith family. Larry: kids – Catherine/Jeff, Curtis/Cindy, Jeffrey, Jennifer, Sister Polly

Let us pray! - Phil Twente

Opening Scriptures: Psalm 91; Phil. 4:4-

1-2 (NKJV) He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. [2] I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress; My God, in Him I will trust."

14-16 (NKJV) "Because **Sandra** has set her love upon Me, therefore I will deliver her; I will set her on high, because **Sandra** has known My name. [15] **Sandra** shall call upon Me, and I will answer her; I will be with her in trouble; I will deliver her and honor her. [16] With long life I will satisfy her, And show her My salvation.

" Php 4:4 Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice!

Php 4:5 Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand.

Php 4:6 Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;

Php 4:7 and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Php 4:8 Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things.

A few comments about Sandra:

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Pg. 4. MEMORIAL CHURCH SERVICE – "Sandra" Life and death:

<u>Time of pondering-Where did we come from? Why are we here?</u> And where are we going after this life on earth?

At such a time, we turn to the Bible for answers.

Where did we come from? Genesis 1:26-27

Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." [27] So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created tm.

Why are we here? Rev. 4:11

Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power: for thou hast created all things, and <u>for thy</u> pleasure they are and were created.

Where are we going? John 14:1-6

"Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. [2] In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. [3] And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. [4] And where I go you know, and the way you know." [5] Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?" [6] Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

<u>POSITIVE ASSURANCE OF ETERNAL LIFE – THAT YOU MAY KNOW!</u>

1JOHN 5:11-13 AND THIS IS THE TESTIMONY:
THAT GOD HAS GIVEN US ETERNAL LIFE, AND
THIS LIFE IS IN HIS SON. [12] HE WHO HAS THE
SON HAS LIFE; HE WHO DOES NOT HAVE THE
SON OF GOD DOES NOT HAVE LIFE. [13] THESE
THINGS I HAVE WRITTEN TO YOU WHO BELIEVE
IN THE NAME OF THE SON OF GOD, THAT YOU
MAY KNOW THAT YOU HAVE ETERNAL LIFE,
AND THAT YOU MAY CONTINUE TO BELIEVE IN
THE NAME OF THE SON OF GOD.

<u>5. COMITTMENT AND PRAYER OF</u> SALVATION:

DO YOU BELIEVE THIS?

WHEN THAT APPOINTED HOUR COMES, WILL YOU BE READY?

ARE YOU READY NOW?

THE BIBLE TELLS US THAT WE SHOULD KNOW THESE TRUTHS! THAT WE WILL SPEND ETERNITY WITH OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST!!

TO RECEIVE CHRIST-PRAY THIS PRAYER OR SOMETHING SIMILAR WITH ALL SERIOUSNESS AND UNDERSTANDING TO OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST:

"LORD JESUS, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I AM A SINNER AND BECAUSE OF THAT AM ON MY WAY TO ETERNAL SEPARATION FROM YOU. I UNDERSTAND AND BELIEVE THAT YOU ARE THE SON OF GOD, CAME TO EARTH AS MAN, TO DIE FOR MY SINS, IN MY PLACE, SO THAT I MAY HAVE ETERNAL LIFE WITH YOU. I CONFESS AND REPENT OF MY AND ASK YOU TO COME INTO MY HEART FOREVER, TO BE MY LORD AND SAVIOR. I GIVE YOU MY LIFE. IN YOUR PRECIOUS NAME, JESUS, AMEN!"

6. CLOSING SONG - "AMAZING GRACE" -

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Graveside:

In The Garden
2 Corinthians 5:1-8
1 Cor. 15: 50-58
Psalm 23
Amazing Grace

1. WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

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3. SCRIPTURE READINGS - FOR SANDRA

JEREMIAH 1:4-5 "THEN THE WORD OF THE LORD CAME TO ME, SAYING: [5] "BEFORE I FORMED YOU IN THE WOMB I KNEW YOU; BEFORE YOU WERE BORN I SANCTIFIED YOU; I ORDAINED YOU A PROPHET TO THE NATIONS."

EPHESIANS 1:3-4 "BLESSED BE THE GOD AND FATHER OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, WHO HAS BLESSED US WITH EVERY SPIRITUAL BLESSING IN THE HEAVENLY PLACES IN CHRIST, I4I JUST AS HE CHOSE US IN HIM BEFORE THE FOUNDATION OF THE WORLD, THAT WE SHOULD BE HOLY AND WITHOUT BLAME BEFORE HIM IN LOVE,"

4. THE GOSPEL MESSAGE:

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER DEATH? – CREATED IN THE IMAGE OF GOD, WE HAVE AN ETERNAL, EVERLASTING SOUL –WILL EITHER RESIDE WITH GOD FOREVER OR APART FROM GOD.

<u>MATTHEW 25:46</u> - "AND THESE (WICKED--NOT KNOWING GOD THROUGH JESUS CHRIST) WILL GO A WAY INTO EVERLASTING (ETERNAL)
PUNISHMENT, BUT THE RIGHTEOUS INTO ETERNAL (EVERLASTING) LIFE"

HOW DO WE KNOW, HOW CAN WE BE SURE, WHERE SANDRA IS RIGHT NOW?

BECAUSE OF THE PRICE THAT JESUS PAID
(1THESS._5:9-10), FOR GOD DID NOT APPOINT US
TO WRATH, BUT TO OBTAIN SALVATION THROUGH
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, WHO DIED FOR US,
THAT WHETHER WE WAKE OR SLEEP, WE SHOULD
LIVE TOGETHER WITH HIM.

BECAUSE OF THE PROMISE THAT JESUS MADE

(JOHN_14:1-6), "LET NOT YOUR HEART BE

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KNOW THE WAY?" JESUS SAID TO HIM, "I AM THE
WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE. NO ONE COMES
TO THE FATHER EXCEPT THROUGH ME.

BECAUSE OF THE PRAYER THAT JESUS PRAYED (JOHN 17:24). "FATHER, I DESIRE THAT THEY ALSO WHOM YOU GAVE ME MAY BE WITH ME WHERE I AM, THAT THEY MAY BEHOLD MY GLORY WHICH YOU HAVE GIVEN ME; FOR YOU LOVED ME BEFORE THE FOUNDATION OF THE WORLD.