## TWINE

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worked in the Labor and Delivery department at Chowan Hospital for many years and a mother of 20 children. Lloyd Sr. was a professional truck driver who took pride in supporting his family. They never accepted government assistance, Katherine, now 88, said, but managed things on their own.

Beverly and Angela said that it was due to the example set by their parents that all of the Twine children graduated from high school, going on to college and professional careers.

Among them is Beverly, Katherine's 10th child, who followed in her mother's footsteps and entered the nursing profession. She is a registered nurse who works for the Albemarle Alliance of Children and Families in Elizabeth City.

"I'm so inspired by mom that after having 20 children she became a certified nursing assistant," Beverly said. "She remains a great inspiration in all our lives."

She said she was also proud of her dad.

"He provided for his children," Beverly said. "He worked hard to provide for his family and made sure we knew how important it was for us to go to college."

Angela, who retired from Elizabeth City State University with a position in Admissions and Recruiting, is now working as a substitute teacher. She is proud of the strong bond that continues to exist among the Twine children and their mother, she said.

"We are a great family," she said. "We've always been close and we're there on Sundays since I can remember. We grew up with that closeness and we do something on everybody's birthday.'

"We also look forward to getting together for Thanksgiving and other holidays," Angela added. "We have cookouts and spend time at the beach. We're glad for any reason to get together.'

Their mother was a good cook, particularly known for her delicious homemade rolls and chocolate cake, the sisters said, and food remains a big part of their celebration at Thanksgiving. Each child has a special dish that is their "most requested" and the one they make sure they bring to the celebration.

Katherine Twine said she was never bothered by having her girls in the kitchen with her learning how to cook.

"They were good help," she said. "And it was a chance for them to learn."

Joseph Twine, a minister, said the dishes he most looks forward to seeing on the family's table at Thanksgiving include his sisters' potato salad, combread, country ham and yams. Beverly's macaroni and cheese is also among the most requested dishes.

"We have fun when we get together," he said. "I always look forward to the food and the fellowship, and the chance to spend time with everybody."

Beverly said that faith has always been a cornerstone of the bond that holds the Twine family together. Many of them attend Saunders Missionary Baptist Church where they worship together. And that togetherness has spilled over into other areas of their lives, she said.

"We all know we can count on each other," Beverly said. "Just everything we need is right there in our family. We know we can lean on each other, that's the big thing."

"That's not to say we always agree on everything," she added. "Sometimes we just agree to disagree. But the love we have for each other is always there."

Besides Joseph, Beverly and Angela, the surviving Twine children include: Willie L. Twine; Gwendo-



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lyn Y. Twine; Sandra B. Granby; Zeddie L. Twine; Connie G. Twine; Bruce E. Twine; Tony O. Twine; Barry L. Twine; Reba R. Jordan; Sharon L. Twine; Teresa A. Lewis; Lloyd A.

Twine Jr.; Arlene F. Boston; Maxine D. Mason; and Gregory M. Twine.

Four of the Twine children served their country in the military, including their deceased brother, Alvin L.

Twine. Another child, a girl, died at six weeks old.

Most recently, Katherine Twine has raised her 18 year-old grandson, Karaye, who is a senior at Perquimans High School.



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