



My Angel Hero

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My angels name is Gloria K. Medford, also known as my grandma. My family calls her Nana. She has a stable foundation constructed by God. Her actions, stories, and beliefs inspire my life. Nana sometimes refers to herself as "Queen Bee" teasingly compared to my mothers and I. But this is not the title she takes when humbly serving others. One of her traits is caring for everyone who is in need. She has spent many cheerful hours crafting projects and creating gift bags. My Grandad and her shop for their church and for food to handout to anyone in need. Because she is so considerate to people, she is loved everywhere she travels. Her compassion knows no bounds as she travels to prison ministries to share God's love to women, visits people that are ill in hospitals, and helps clothe children whose families cannot afford

new clothes. One of the reasons that I think she is strong is her faith is her call to action.

When I was little my Nana composed a book with pages filled of any comical moment. She had one for each of her grandkids. Recently, I asked her if I could examine the detailed stories of the book. She agreed. I gently turned the first page and studied the writing from years ago. Once I had scanned the page I was surprised. I had envisioned that it would be my first funny moment or funny saying. Instead, it was a first hand encounter of me viewing and angel when I was four years old. This is another instance where it was important for Nana to show me faith in an everyday situation. She is my positive role model. Even though it wasn't the comedy that I anticipated, I received a more important view thanks to Nana, my inspiration.

"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves." Philippians 2:3. My angel displayed this Bible verse throughout her life. Nana's compassion intrigued me to her loving way of living thus making her a positive role model. My Nana has been a model of God's true love. She represents the unconditional agape love that Jesus emulates. My hope is to carry on her loving heritage of considering others above yourself.