

Mrs. Suzanne Swan

Dearest Suzanne,

For months brothers of the Black Men's Gathering across the world have held Kingsley and you in their hearts beseeching the Blessed Perfection that the intense suffering you both faced so nobly would diminish. Our earnest hope, our prayer, our expectation was that the illness that afflicted our brother would miraculously disappear as it had in the past. And Kingsley with confidence and dignity waged a mighty battle each step of the way. He gave us an example of what it means to have true faith

facing this enormous test with a bright spirit, with humility and loving appreciation for the many friends who expressed their love with warm embrace.

Together you and Kingsley have blazoned a unique path recording a grateful impression on the hearts of many. We shared in the joy of you looking toward your Kingsley as he created an environment for us to experience happiness no matter the circumstance of our lives through his music and we shared in the joy of him looking toward you, his songbird, with his loving glances for you. How many the times we have thrilled in your many gifts of service selflessly offered to everyone high and low and how our hearts were moved to shout our soul's yearning when through song you and Kingsley allowed us to make our hearts desire and our love for God and His creation known. Your continuous service since the days of our youth in Boston and throughout the years will always be a model of the possibilities that arise from spirit, determination and sacrifice.

There are angels in our midst and Kingsley was in the front ranks.

We send to you assurances of heartfelt prayers offered here in the Bahá'í House of Worship in Wilmette and everywhere brothers of the Gathering reside for the progress of his tender soul in the worlds beyond and for the solace of your heart and for your daughter Sukina and her family.

Our hearts surround you with much love,

Dr. William Roberts