My Mother was a giver. She gave large donations every month to her church. She anonymously paid for various young children’s Christian education at the small church school that her children grew up in. She also gave her time and energy to many community events that helped people from all walks of life.

So when she slipped away from us in August 2011, it seemed reasonable that we should donate the many beautiful suites and clothing that she accumulated over the years to her church family and then to her biological family who where located up north around or about Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

We had an estate giveaway in her honor for the local church congregation at my home and invited every member who felt that they could wear a twelve to fourteen in size, to this event. It was successful and out of the eight hundred pieces that was hanging there, only two hundred were left at the close of the day.

The people that walked away from my home on that day were filled with a joy, peace and appreciation spirit that will recoil to others.

What really touched my spirit were the effects that the giveaway had on the family up north when those large boxes arrived by UPS. For many week following their arrival, the family up in that area had what I considered to be a family reunion every weekend. They came together to try on cloths, which lead to stories about the days gone by which then lead to a lot of laughter and fun and by the time the last piece of clothing was chosen, the family ended up reconnecting with family roots.

And because they called me on several occasions while these events were taking place, I too was able to hear of my ancestry and receive these gifts of appreciation.

All of these blessing occurred because originally, my Mother was a giver. We may not ever know that by walking in an upright style of life from day to day, we can touch the life of someone around us and inspire their daily walk in life.

We become givers, when we just give a smile to another person, who happens to place their eyes upon us in any moment during a day.

Pass on this message to someone in your life and you to will be a giver. Thank you.