## Acknowledgements

The Douglas family is profoundly grateful for your prayers, words and deeds of comfort and expressions of sympathy. We accept your generosity as a tribute to our beloved Thelma.

The Family

Honorary Fallhearers

Members & Friends of Mt. Ollie C.M.E.

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Sons, Grandsons, and Nephews

Howerhearers
Grandaughters and Nieces

Honorary Momerhearers

Members & Friends of Mt. Ollie C.M.E. Church
and Ushers

Arrangements

Sister

Home Going Celebration



for

Mrs. Thelma T. Hayes Douglas

Tuesday, August 18, 1992 5:00 p.m.

Mt. Ollie C.M.E. Church Somerville, Tennessee

Rev. Ocie Wallace, Pastor Officiating

## **Obituary**

Thelma Louise Hayes Douglas, born in Fayette County, Tennessee to the late Joel and Sophronia Hayes on June 28, 1919, entered into sweet rest Thursday morning, August 13, 1992 at 8:45 a.m. in Brownsville, Tennessee.

At an early age, Thelma accepted Christ as her Saviour, confessed her sins, and served faithfully. She united, as a child, with Travelers Rest and Carters Chapel Churches and later moved her membership to Mt. Ollie C.M.E. where she remained for 51 years. As a dedicated worker in the vineyard, she worked willingly whenever and wherever needed. She also served on the Usher Board for many years.

Thelma was educated in the public schools of Fayette County and spent many of her early years leading and guiding young minds to think and work for educational achievements. Moreover, as a maturing young Christian lady singing with her family, she met, fell in love, and was united in Holy Matrimony to Mr. Roland Douglas on March 11, 1941. This union of love included ten children and lasted fifty-one years. Thelma was a beautiful light that drew many who loved, shared, and cared for her. "God gave us a bundle of joy" .... Her Children.

Thelma, always a warrior for Christ, leaves to celebrate her life and legacy of love, her devoted husband: Mr. Roland Douglas; four daughters: Velma (Joe) Jones, Mae Lois (Billy) Wilson, Patricia (Lee) Whitmore of Nashville, Tennessee and Mary Atkins of Chicago, Illinois; five sons: Roland Jr., John Smith and Oliver Douglas of Somerville, Tennessee, Carnell Douglas of Nashville, Tennessee, and William (Cassie) Howard of Memphis, Tennessee; four sisters: Mrs. Velma Jones, Mrs. Sophronia Taylor and Mrs. Juanita (Veotis) Jones of Chicago, Illinois and Mrs. Carmen Jones of Buffalo, NY; four brothers: Mr. Joel Hayes, Jr. of Somerville, Tennessee, Mr. John Hayes of Buffalo, NY, Mr. Dewitt Hayes of Chicago, Illinois, and Mr. Leo Hayes of Los Angeles, California; one devoted brother and sister-in-law: Mr. Silas and Rebecca Douglas of Somerville, Tennessee; several grandchildren, great grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

One bright smile and a constant prayer,
Is how you would find our Mother there.
One conviction with a made-up mind,
Is just how she was all of the time.
Never did she quit or think of giving up,
She just held on and prayed for a little bit of luck.
No matter how rocky or weary the storm
She knew heaven was where she belonged.
So, go ahead Mother and get your sweet rest,
For it is with God you've gotten your request.

## Prier of Clelebration

Prelude
Song of Inspiration
Prayer
Scripture
Song
Moments of Thanksgiving (Acknowledgements) Mrs. Gertrude Bailey
Tribute from Church (Resolutions)
Obituary
Solo
Words of Comfort
Remarks
Message of Hope (Eulogy) Rev. Sammie Jones
Viewing of Remains
Benediction
Recessional

Interment
Mt. Zion Cemetery
Somerville, Tennessee