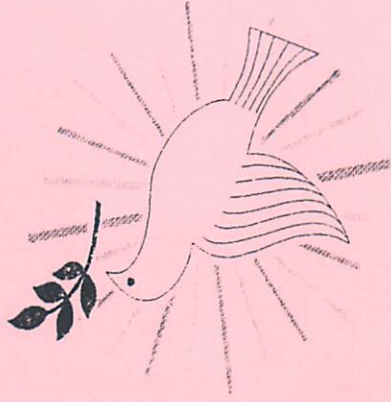


I Thessalonians 4:16



"...and the dead in Christ
will rise first."

In Loving Memory

Palbearers

Nephews

Flowerbearers

Ushers

Acknowledgments

The Family of Mary J. Pirtle expresses sincere gratitude and appreciation for all expressions rendered to console our hearts. We thank each of you for your acts of understanding, caring and sharing.

May God bless and keep you is our prayer.
The Family

Interment

Mt. Olive Cemetery
Somerville, Tennessee

Arrangements By

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In Loving Memory Of
Mrs. Mary Jane Pirtle
Saturday, August 16, 1997
12:00 pm
Mt. Olive C.M.E. Church
Somerville, Tennessee
Pastor Eddie L. Perry, Officiating
Elder Walter Hurt, Jr., Eulogy

In Loving Memory



February 6, 1915

August 10, 1997

*"Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil..." Psalm 23:4*

- Processional.....
- Song.....Choir
- Prayer & Scripture.....Rev. E. L. Perry
- Song.....Sis. Mamie R. Jones
- Expressions.....(2 minutes).....
- Solo.....Sis. Samella Thompson
- Remarks.....Rev. Andrew L. Chambers
- Acknowledgments.....Sis. Carolyn Campbell
- Obituary.....(read silently).....
- Song.....Sis. Wardean Mabone
- Eulogy.....Elder Walter Hurt, Jr.
- Recessional.....
- Postlude

Order Of Service

Loving Memories

Grandmother,

We pray for courage as we begin this day,
For we understand there is work to be done,
Burdens to be carried, feelings to be shared
And joys to be celebrated.

Grant us the courage to be silent that we
May hear thy voice; to persevere, that we
May share thy victory; and to remember,
Lest we forget the way by which thou has led us.

And when this day is done, O Lord,
May we have the courage to see Thy
Guiding hand in friendships that have been made,
In the hurts that have been healed,
And in the strength that has been given.

Amen

The Grandchildren

A good woman never dies-
In worthy deed and many prayers,
And helpful hands, and honest eyes,
If smiles or tears be there;
Who lives for you and me-
Live for the world she tries
To help - she lives eternally-

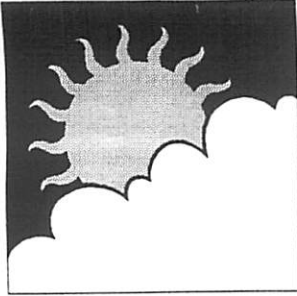
A good woman never dies.

Who lives to bravely take
Her share of toil and stress,
And for her weaker fellow's sake
Makes every burden less-
She may, at last, seem worn
Lie fallen - hands and eyes
folded - yet, though we mourn and mourn,

A good woman never dies.

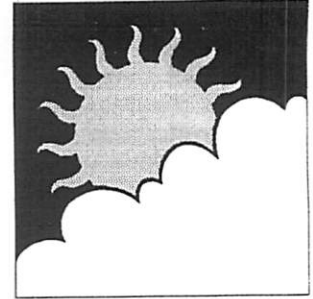
With The Dearest Love,
Your Children

Sis. Mary Jane Hirtle



We may not know the reason why-
Dark clouds so often shield the sky,
And even though they hide the sun,
The Lord knows why, His will be done.

We may not know the reason why.
These things are ordered from the sky,
So if our path be smooth or rough,
The Lord knows why and that's enough.



Mary Jane Pirtle was born **February 6, 1915** in Somerville (Fayette County) Tennessee to the late **Charlie** and **Caroline Hobson**.

She confessed a hope in Christ at an early age and joined the **Mt. Olive C.M.E. Church** of Somerville, Tennessee, where she attended until her health declined.

She leaves to cherish her memories, a daughter, **Callie Williams** of Memphis, TN; and two sons, **Robert L. Crawford** of Memphis and **David E. Pirtle** of Somerville, TN; a daughter-in-law, **Mary J. Crawford**; nine grandchildren, including her granddaughter, **Colis Chambers**, who cared for her in her elderly years; and nine great-grandchildren.

Also cherishing her memories is a sister, **Willie L. Ragland** of Somerville, TN and a brother, **D. C. Hobson** of Memphis, TN; two sisters-in-law, **Ethel Hobson** of Somerville and **Edna Poindexter** of Stanton, TN; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Grandmother,

Your glowing smile and tender voice have been anchors in my life. I will always remember your love and kindness and will treasure our many memories together.

Rest in peace,
until we meet again.

Love your Granddaughter,
Colis