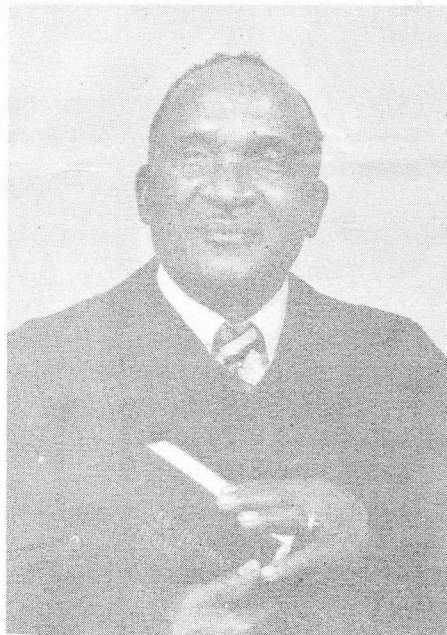


*Homegoing Services*  
*For The*  
**Reverend Douglas Coleman**



Pastor of The  
Rocky Mount C. P. Church  
Tarpley Shop, Tennessee

*Saturday, November 9, 1991*  
*1:00 p.m.*

**ELKMONT CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Elkmont, Alabama

Reverend Oscar Edmonds, Pastor  
Reverend Hosea Garrett, Officiating

Interment  
Smith Field Cemetery  
Elkmont, Alabama

## OBITUARY

*"A journey of a thousand miles begin with one step. One life can span a century, but it begins with one heart beat. Institutions are born and may live a thousand years, but they begin with one idea, one book, one member. What begins simply can reach far and mean much. History is a might stream. You can never reduce it to dehydrated substance." Human life is a priceless treasure."*

In the Northern atmosphere in Limestone County, Alabama a child was born to the late Ola and Manuel Coleman, whose name was Douglas Coleman born March 4, 1924. He entered into eternal rest at the Decatur General Hospital, November 2, 1991 at 12:00 noon.

He received his education in the public schools of Alabama. His civic and community involvements were many and varied his most recent involvement was his dedicated service on the Elkmont Board of Zoning Adjustment.

He was retired from the Dunlop Tire Company Madison, Alabama. He served in World War II as veteran for three years. He also pursued business ventures having owned and operated the D&RC Quick Stop for a year.

He needed someone to add beams of sunlight to his life. He was united in holy matrimony to Alice Bonner, January 30, 1947.

Douglas confessed hope in Christ at an early age at the New Salem Missionary Baptist Church under the pastorage of the late Rev. Samuel Brown. He was baptized and united with the Elkmont C. P. Church under the pastorage of the late Rev. Pearl Dancy where he served as a deacon and an elder.

In later years, he was called into the ministry, and was ordained in 1958 He was called to pastor the Cold Water C. P. Church, Coldwater, Tennessee in 1963 and served as pastor for several years. He was later called to pastor the Pleasant Hill C. P. Church, Stella, Tennessee, where he remained for 28 years. At the time of his death he was pastor of the Rocky Mount C. P. Church, having been their shepherded for 20 years.

He was a member of the Hiwassee Presbytery where he served on the Judiciary Board, and a Committee on Ministry.

He leaves to cherish his memories, a loving and devoted wife; Alice, three daughters, Elaine Coleman, Huntsville, Alabama, Martha (Duncan) Hester, Athens, Alabama and Jacqueline (David) Jamar of Elkmont, Alabama; five sons, Ralph (Elka) Coleman, Los Angeles, California, Charles (Beverly) Coleman, Huntsville, Alabama, Alfred (Carolyn) Coleman, Elkmont, Alabama, David (Doris) Coleman, Athens, Alabama and Zachary Coleman, Decatur, Alabama; one sister, Lillian Jackson, Elkmont, Alabama; two brothers, Rev. Dossie (Edith) Coleman, Athens, Alabama, Reverend Walter (Virginia) Coleman Elkmont, Alabama; one sister-in-law, Hattie (Andrew) Woodroof, Athens, Alabama; one aunt, Minnie Redus of Elkmont, Alabama; seventeen grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives and friends.

..... So live, that when thy summons comes to join The innumerable carvan which moves To that mysterious realm, where each shall take His camber in the silent halls of death, Thous go not, like the quarry-slave at night Scouraged to his dungeon, but, sustained and soothed By an unfaltering trust, approach thy grave like one who wraps the drapery of his couch About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams.

## PROGRAMME

### PROCESSIONAL

SELECTION ..... Rocky Mount and Elkmont C. P. Choir

SONG AND PRAYER ..... Elder Robert Johnson

SCRIPTURE ..... Reverend Oscar Edmonds, Pastor  
Elkmont C. P. Church

SELECTION ..... Choir

WORDS OF COMFORT ..... Rev. D. C. Williams, Pastor  
Neals Temple C. P. Church

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT ..... Sister Angela Davis

READING OF THE OBITUARY ..... Soft Music

SELECTION ..... Choir

### REFLECTIONS

*(Limit 2 minutes please)*

AS A NEIGHBOR ..... Elder Fred Phillips

AS A PASTOR (PLEASANT HILL) ..... Elder Ed Randolph

AS A PASTOR (ROCKY MOUNT) ..... Elder William McNairy

TRIBUTES ..... Ministers

RESOLUTIONS ..... Rocky Mount C. P. Church

SELECTION ..... Choir

THE EULOGY ..... Reverend Hosea Garrett, Moderator  
of the Hwaasee Presbytery

SOLO ..... Reverend George Moore, Jr.

VIEWING OF REMAINS

RECESSIONAL

## **HONORARY PALLBEARERS**

Deacons and Elders of Rocky Mt and Elkmont C.P.

## **ACTIVE PALLBEARERS**

Members of the Trinity High School Class of 1966

## **HONORARY FLOWER BEARERS**

Mothers of Elkmont and Rocky Mount C. P.

## **ACTIVE FLOWER BEARERS**

Members of the Trinity High School Class of 1966

## **THANK YOU**

*Words cannot convey our deep gratitude and appreciation for all of your expressions of kindness and sympathy shown us during our darkest hour. Your visits, cards, telegrams, flowers, and prayers will serve to brighten the lonely days ahead. We thank you from the depths of our hearts.*

The Family  
Alice and Children



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