

Honorary Pallbearers

Robert Bassham Andrew Holt
Luther Holt, Jr. James Horton
Clarence Trotter Curtis Williams

Active Pallbearers

Billy Kirby Broderick Marable
Gabble Mitchell Carnell Nelson
Ronnie Smith James H. Trotter

Honorary Flower Bearers

New Salem M.B. Church Mothers Board
Members of Athens/Limestone County
Retired Teachers Association
Matron's Cultural Club
Bethel Court of Calanthes Number 455

Active Flower Bearers

Lucinda Bassham Edith Colman Helen Kirby
Mary Davis Rosie Lee Turner Dorothy Nelson

"Interment and Committal"

Roselawn Cemetery
Highway 31, North-Athens, Alabama 35611

"For the Christian death is the doorway to Glory."
Anonymous

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of the late Mrs. Lillie Mae Stanton Hanserd acknowledges with deep appreciation all the love, acts of kindness, prayers and thoughts you expressed that were so warmly received by Lillie and family during the time of her illness, sorrow and death. May God richly bless each of you and keep you in His loving care. Thank you again and again. **-The Family**

Peoples Funeral Home

"Services within the means of every family"

Homegoing Services

for

Mrs. Lillie Mae Staton Hanserd

May 21, 1905 - December 5, 2002



*Saturday, December 14, 2002
Twelve O'clock Noon*

**Homer L. Moses Chapel
of**

Peoples Funeral Home
12060 Highway 31, South
Tanner, Alabama 35671

*The Reverend Ollie L. McWilliams
New Salem Missionary Baptist Church
Moderator of Greater Richland Creek M.B. Association
Pastor and Officiant*

OBITUARY

"He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live." —John 11:25

MRS. LILLIE MAE STATON was the first child born May 21, 1905 to Rev. Tom Staton and wife Angeline in Decatur (Morgan County) Alabama and spent some time during her childhood in Terre Haute, Indiana. She was well-raised by her parents and after they departed from her life, she was able to move forward and upward with her life.

Lillie's life was based on her love for God and her commitment and dedication to mankind in serving others. She was educated in public schools and prepared her self for all facts of life, confessing hope in Christ at an early age, and was loved by many. Through Holy Matrimony with her first husband, Elias J. Bell two sons were born, Thomas and Gerald. After Elia's death, she joined Charlie Smith in Holy Matrimony, he preceded her in death. She then joined Willie B. Trotter in Holy Matrimony and to this union one daughter, Marcella Louise was born. Lastly, she married George E. Hanserd in 1954.

Lillie's religious life started with the Methodist faith where she was a member of Oak Grove C.M.E Church for many years. After moving to Veto, Alabama she joined New Salem M.B. Church. She remained faithful and was loved by many. Marcella, her only daughter, and a very caring one, sought to give her mother tender loving care by keeping her with her in her own abode. Marcella had to later place her in facilities that could provide the best of care, Valley View Windsor House and Cumberland Manor. Lillie and George resided here together until her passing. He will return to Cumberland to be near his family.

Lille's professional life has left her footprints in the sands of time and she will long be remembered. Miles college can remember her as an alumnae, Limestone County will remember her as a Teacher and Community Builder. New Salem and Oak Grove will remember her service to them as a Church Mother, Choir Member, and in servant-hood and sisterhood.

We thank God for the life she lived and the experiences she shared to leave such a legacy behind. The One-Teacher and Two-Teacher Schools gave her the opportunities to instill in her students the desire to become productive citizens of high morale, academic standards, and disciplined minds.

She passed this life early on the morning of December 5th at Baptist Hospital, Nashville, Tennessee and leaves to mourn her passing a devoted husband, George Hanserd, Cumberland Manor, Nashville, TN; two sons, Thomas O. Bell(Vivian), Los Angeles, California, Gerald Bell, Winter Springs, FL, one daughter, Marcella Trotter-Bertrand, Athens, AL; two sisters, Scymora Patrick, Athens, AL and Roberta Robinson, Rockfort, IL; two brothers, Rev. Tom Staton, Jr., Nashville, TN and Ollie Staton, Rockford, IL; four grandchildren, Monica, Sonia, Diane and Celina; seven great grandchildren, Corey, Broderick, Gabble, Brennon, Jaclyn, Amanda and Adrianna; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives and friends.

ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL

SELECTION.....Oak Grove C.M.E. Choir

PRAYER.....Rev. Janice Lewis, Pastor
Oak Grove C.M.E. Church

SCRIPTURE.....Rev. John Robert Holt

SELECTION..... Choir

TRIBUTES:
Mr. Luther Holt, Jr
New Salem M.B. Church

Mrs. Earline G. Hobbs
The Matrons Cultural Club

Mrs. Georgia C. Nichols
Athens/Limestone County Retired Teachers

Bethel Court of Calanthen

Rev. Jean Cook
Former Student

Ms. Diane Bell-Gray
Granddaughter's "Special Tribute"

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.....Mrs. Dorothy Nelson

OBITUARY (Read Silently)

SOLO.....Rev. Janice Lewis

EULOGY.....Rev. Ollie L. McWilliams

MORTICIANS IN CHARGE

RECESSIONAL

There'll be no sorrow there, no burdens to bear.
No more sickness, no pain, no more power over there;
And forever I will be with the one who died for me.
What a day, glorious day that will be!