

Pallbearers

Nephews

Honorary Pallbearers

Fletcher's Chapel #1 P. B. Church Deacons

Flower Bearers

Nieces

Honorary Flower Bearers

Fletcher's Chapel #1 P. B. Church Mothers



Interment

Thatch-Mann Cemetery
Athens, Alabama

Acknowledgement

The Sledge Family would like to thank all who expressed their love and sympathy at this most difficult time. May we continue to be in your prayers and you in ours.

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"When only memories remain, let them be beautiful."

A HOMEGOING CELEBRATION
IN LOVING MEMORY
of

Mother Linda Catherine Pledge

July 8, 1934—July 8, 2006



Wednesday, July 12, 2006
1:00 P.M.

Fletcher's Chapel #1 Primitive Baptist Church

7035 Greenbrier Road
Greenbrier, Alabama 35758

Pastor Kenneth Langford, Jr., Officiating

Obituary

Mother Linda Catherine Pledge was born July 8, 1934 to Leonia Brooks and Sim Benford in Limestone County. She departed this life July 8, 2006.

She confessed hope in Christ and joined Fletcher's Chapel #1 Primitive Baptist Church on August 12, 1963 under the pastorate of Reverend Austin Anderson. She served as President of the Mother's Board, #1 Usher Board, #1 Choir, Kitchen Committee Chairperson, Adult Sunday School Class Teacher, and member of the Pastor's Aid and Evangelist Committees until her health failed.

She married Walter Sledge, Jr. in 1955, who preceded her in death. To this union three children were born: Robert Franklin of Huntsville, Alabama, Shirley Denise Erskine (George), and Eric Tyler Sledge (Monica) both of Athens, Alabama. She also raised Edna Pearl Stevens (Osbie), Willie Leslie, Jr. (LouElla), James Leslie (Marva), Frank Leslie, Terry Leslie (Joyce), Mattie Woods (William), Walter Leslie, Mark Leslie (who preceded her in death), and Gary Leslie all of Athens, Alabama; thirty-one grandchildren, five brothers, ten sisters, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.



Mother's Prayer

*I never can forget the day, I heard my mother kindly say
You're leaving now my tender care, Remember child your Mother's prayer.*

*I never can forget the voice, that always made my heart rejoice
Through I have wandered God knows where, still I remember Mother's Prayer*

*Though years have gone I can't forget, those words of Love I hear them yet
I see her by the old arm chair, my Mother dear in humble Prayer*

*I never can forget the hour, I felt the Savior's cleansing Power
My sin and guilt he canceled there, 'Twas there He answered Mother's Prayer*

*When ever I think of her so dear, I feel her angel spirit near
A voice comes floating on the air, reminding me of Mother's Prayer*

*Oh praise the Lord for saving grace, We'll meet up yonder face to face
The home above together we'll share, In answer to my Mother's Prayer.*

Mattie Woods

Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL Fletcher's Chapel P. B. Church Choir

SONG & PRAYER Deacon Joe Rice, Jr.

SCRIPTURE Pastor Dora Sharp
New Heaven C. P. C. A.

SELECTION Fletcher's Chapel P.B. Church Choir

RESOLUTION Mother Edmonia Lankford

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

OBITUARY Read Silently

SELECTION Fletcher's Chapel P.B. Church Choir

EULOGY Pastor Kenneth Langford, Jr.

SOLO Gregory Oliver

CLOSING PRAYER Pastor Robert Yarbrough, Jr.
Oakville M. B. Church and Gipson Chapel Methodist Church

MORTICIAN Royal Funeral Home, Inc.

RECESSIONAL Fletcher's Chapel P. B. Church Choir

The Best

*God saw you were getting tired
And a cure was not to be.
So He put His arms around you
And whispered, "Come to Me."
With tearful eyes we watched you,
And saw you pass away.
Although we loved you dearly,
We could not make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands at rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us,
He only takes the best.*

