

*Celebration the Homegoing of Mother Minnie Sue Buchanan*



*Wednesday, December 30, 1998  
11:00 a.m.*

**James Chapel Missionary Baptist Church**  
Athens, Alabama

**Reverend Karlon Fletcher, Sr., Officiating**

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*Order of Service*

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*Obituary*

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*Words of Appreciation*

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# Pall Bearers

Grandsons

# Flower Bearers

James Chapel M.B. Church Members  
Members, Naomi Star Chapter No. 653, OES

# Interment

*Thatch-Mann Cemetery*  
Athens, Alabama

## *Order of Service*

PROCESSIONAL.....	Participating Clergy and Family
SELECTION.....	James Chapel M.B. Choir
PRAYER.....	Deacon Thomas Brown
SCRIPTURE READINGS.....	Reverend James Freeman
SELECTION.....	Choir
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.....	Sister Maggie Malone
OBITUARY.....(Read Silently).....	Soft Music
WORDS OF COMFORT.....(3 Minutes).....	Reverend Ollie McWilliams
SELECTION.....	Choir
EULOGY.....	Pastor Karlon Fletcher, Sr.
SELECTION.....	Choir
CLOSING PRAYER.....	Pastor Fletcher

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# Minnie Sue Buchanan

## A Woman of Substance

*"Strength and honor are her clothing; and shall rejoice in time to come." Proverbs 31:25*

Greetings! In the miraculous name of Jesus. All praise and glory be unto God for granting Minnie Sue Buchanan with 85 years of life.

Pause just for a moment and reflect upon a time when Minnie Sue touched your life in a special way... We are confident that you can agree with the Sowell and Flanagan family as we proclaim that Minnie Sue Buchanan was a women of substance. This was exemplified by her ability to overcome several bouts of illness only to rise up to offer praise unto God her healer.

On April 22, 1913, God, the giver of life granted Thomas and Cora Fianagan (deceased) a daughter, Minnie Sue. Loving siblings surrounded her: Joe, Willis, and Daniel Flanagan and Carrie Louise Hughes (all deceased) and surviving, Hazel Brown and Oliver Flanagan.

Thirty-five years of her adult life was spent with her loving husband, Early Sowell (deceased). She was later united in holy matrimony to Joel Buchanan for twelve years until his death.

One of the most admirable qualities of Minnie Sue was her willingness to work with her hands. She possessed a gift of service as evidenced by the various roles in which she portrayed in her church as well as her community. These activities were President, Mothers Board and Choir, Member of James Chapel Missionary Baptist Church; Matron of the Eastern Star Organization; and a member of Athens Homemaker Club. To some she was a beautician, to others a seamstress, but to all she was a blessing from God.

The love and support of family member's was highly regarded by Minnie Sue. She will be deeply missed by those closest to her. Surviving relatives included: Ben Louis Sowell, Earlene Sowell Daniels, Harold Dean Sowell (children) and Ora Sowell (daughter-in-law), eight grandchildren, eighteen great grandchildren, two great great grandchildren and a host of cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Because Minnie Sue Buchanan has accepted the Lord Jesus Christ in her life we can now

*Rejoice in the Lord for he has done great and marvelous things  
wherewith we are glad.*

*"Her soul greatly rejoices in her Lord and her soul is joyful in her God, for he has clothed her with a garment of salvation, he has covered her with a robe of righteousness". -Isaiah 61:10a*

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