

### PALL BEARERS

Elders of Pleasant Grove CPCA



### FLOWER BEARERS

Mothers of Pleasant Grove CPCA



### USHERS

Pleasant Grove CPCA



--INTERMENT--

Leslie Cemetery

### --EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION--

The family of Mother Aver Leslie wishes to acknowledge our sincere gratitude for the numerous expressions of love during our time of bereavement. Continue to remember us in your Prayers. May God Bless and Keep you.

*The Family*

**Final Arrangements Entrusted To  
PEOPLES FUNERAL HOME  
Athens, Alabama 35611**

## HOME-GOING CELEBRATION

FOR

**MOTHER AVER LESLIE**



**Sunrise:  
May 10, 1909**

**Sunset:  
May 10, 2005**

**Saturday, May 14, 2005  
12:00 p.m.**

**Pleasant Grove CPCA  
15439 Hasting Road  
Athens, Alabama 35613**

**Reverend John W. Jude, officiating**

## Obituary

**Mrs. Aver Leslie** was born May 10, 1909 to the late George French and Madge Malone French in Limestone County, Alabama. She was the third child of seven.

She accepted Christ as her personal Savior at an early age and united with Oak Grove C. M. E. Church. Aver married Wilson E Leslie, Sr. on Feb. 9, 1930. To this union four children were born. They were blessed to have celebrated 74 years of marriage before his passing on September 4, 2004. After marriage, Aver united with the Pleasant Grove Cumberland Presbyterian Church where she became a Mother of the church. She dearly loved her church and was involved on every level of the church courts. She attended many General Assemblies, Synods and Presbyteries and was actively involved. Mother Leslie served as treasurer of the Alabama Synod Senior Missionary Society for 33 years, Vice-President and President of the Huntsville Presbytery Senior Missionary Society and secretary of the Pleasant Grove Senior Missionary Society for many years. Mother Leslie encouraged the youth to get involved in church activities. She had a passion for visiting the sick and was often found carrying fresh cut flowers in bud vases and food to the sick. She served as reporter to the church on the status of the sick.

Mother Aver Leslie had a heart full of love and enjoyed sharing it with others. She dearly loved the Lord, her pastor and church family.

Mother Leslie will be remembered by all who knew her as the lady who had the perfect "hat" to coordinate with any attire.

Aver's only son, Wilson, Jr. preceded her in death as well as her siblings, Willie Lee, Homer, Jake, Mime, Verna and Minnie.

To cherish her memories are 3 daughters, Mattie Lacey, Doris (Roosevelt) Durden, Caulyne (Marion) Hayden; 9 grandchildren: Synthia (Roderick) Howell, Philander Boyd, Carol Lacey, Michael Lacey, Gregory (Gloria) Lacey, Angela Lacey, Coleman L. Turner, Dexter Turner, Ricky Leslie; 9 great-grandchildren and 3 great, great-grandchildren; accompanied by a host of nephews, nieces, cousins and friends. Mrs. Lucille Cain who was like a daughter and a loyal and caring caregiver, Ms. Elaine Mahaley.

## Order of Service

Processional

Selection.....Pleasant Grove Inner Court Choir

Prayer.....Elder Edward Mayberry

Scripture

Old Testament.....Rev. Endia Scruggs

New Testament.....Rev. Janice Williams

Selection.....Choir

Acknowledgements.....Mother Stella Kirby

Reflections

Church.....Rev. Barbara Clemons

Pleasant Grove Missionary Society.....Mother Lucille Cain

Huntsville Presbytery Missionary Society.....Sis. Cleo Miller

Selection.....Choir

Eulogy.....Pastor John W. Jude

Closing Prayer.....Rev. McKinley Jones

Recessional

We do not lose the ones we love.

They only go before,

Where there is everlasting life,

Where sorrow is no more.

And there the soul will always live,

And peace is everywhere.

We do not lose the ones we love,

God takes them in His care.

A precious one from us is gone.

A voice we loved is stilled.

A place is vacant in our home,

Which never can be filled.

And after a lonely heartache,

And many silent tears,

But always a beautiful memory,

Of one we love so dear.