

THE LIGHT
BY
BRENDA S. (Hicks) WILLIAMS

I saw the light,
Shining bold and bright.
I saw the light,
And I reached out my hand.
I saw the light,
Lord, help me to stand.
I saw the light,
Let my spirit fly.
I saw the light,
My new life came by and by.
I saw the light,
Help my family be strong.
I saw the light,
Their lives must go on.
I saw the light,
I'm ready to go.
I saw the light,
Their love was always shown.
I saw the light,
It's a new day.
I saw the light,
Lord show me the way.

Pallbearers - Brothers-in-law and Cousins
Honorary Pallbearers - Nephews

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Family of the late Thomas C. Hicks, Jr. is deeply appreciated for all the expressions of Sympathy and Kindness shown during the illness and passing of their loved one.

-The Family

SPECIAL THANKS TO: Rev. and Mrs. William Harris of Detroit, Michigan for their unrelenting love and support.

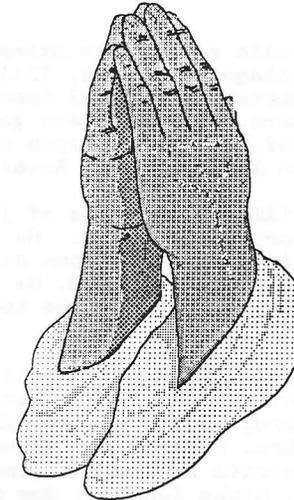
Rev. Rice and Members of the Antioch Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

**MASON FUNERAL HOME, Directing
ATHENS, ALABAMA**

Sunrise

Sunset

**Ecumium
Of**



Mr. Thomas Clelland Hicks, Jr.

Lord, Give Me A Song To Sing

Thursday, November 30, 1995
11:00 A.M.

Antioch Cumberland Presbyterian Church
Browns Ferry Street
Athens, Alabama

Reberend Rice, Pastor

OBITUARY

Thomas C. Hicks, Jr., son of the late Lula Ray and Thomas C. Hicks, was born February 14, 1945 in Athens, Alabama. He completed his life's journey on Friday, November 24, 1995.

Feeling the need to give his life to God, Tom confessed hope in Christ and joined the Liberty Baptist Church in Rockford, Illinois.

He attended the public schools in Athens, Alabama and attended Rock Valley College, Rockford, Illinois. He moved to Detroit, Michigan and worked in Medical Records at Sinai Hospital for over 20 years. It was these years that he joined Grace Community Church of Detroit Michigan and worked joyfully and faithfully under the leadership of Reverend William Harris.

Thomas' life was filled with songs of joy. For every song he sang, there was a story to be heard. He was greatly loved and respected by many; in turn, this same compassion was radiated from him. To all who knew Tom, he was an honest, caring, sincere, and devoted friend - who touched the lives of many.

His life of fifty productive years will be forever cherished by his six sisters and six brothers-in-law. Mrs. Lella M. Elliott (Jack) Rockford, Illinois, Mrs. Shirley Ann Ford (Carl) Huntsville, AL, Mrs. Delores H. Atkins (Frederick) St. Louis, Missouri, Mrs. Rosetta H. Crowder (Leonard) Rockford, Illinois, Mrs. Marion H. Hicks (Johnny) New Orleans, Louisiana, Mrs. Brenda H. Williams (Larry) New Orleans, Louisiana, three Aunts, Mrs. Myrtle Davis (Otis) Detroit, Michigan, Mrs. Vera Sanders, Rockford, Illinois, Mrs. Earline Mathews (Willie) Rockford, Illinois, three uncles, Mr. James Horton (Sarah) Rockford, Illinois, Mr. William Hicks (Geneva) Detroit, Michigan, Mr. Lathen Horton (Dorothy) Waterloo, Iowa; Six nieces, Nena, Tori, Dana, Tabatha, Ashley and Taylor; two great-nieces, Angelica and Taylor; ten nephews, Bryan (Kellie), Frederick (Raphael), Crispian, Gregory, Johnny, Troy, Cameron, Jeffrey, Jonathan, Landon; one great-nephew, Marcus; A Special Cousin; Mrs. Patricia Strawter Horton, Detroit, Michigan; and a host of relatives and friends.

PROGRAM

Processional

Scripture Rev. Kerry Newburn
Pastor - Bethel Baptist Church
Rockford, Illinois

Prayer Rev. Louis Malone
Pastor - St. Luke Missionary
Baptist Church, Rockford,
Illinois

Selection Athens Community Choir

Eulogy Rev. William Harris, Pastor
Grace Community Church of
Detroit, Detroit, Michigan

Selection..... Athens Community Choir

Morticians In Charge Mason Funeral Home

Recessional

Interment Oak Grove C.M.E. Church Cemetery