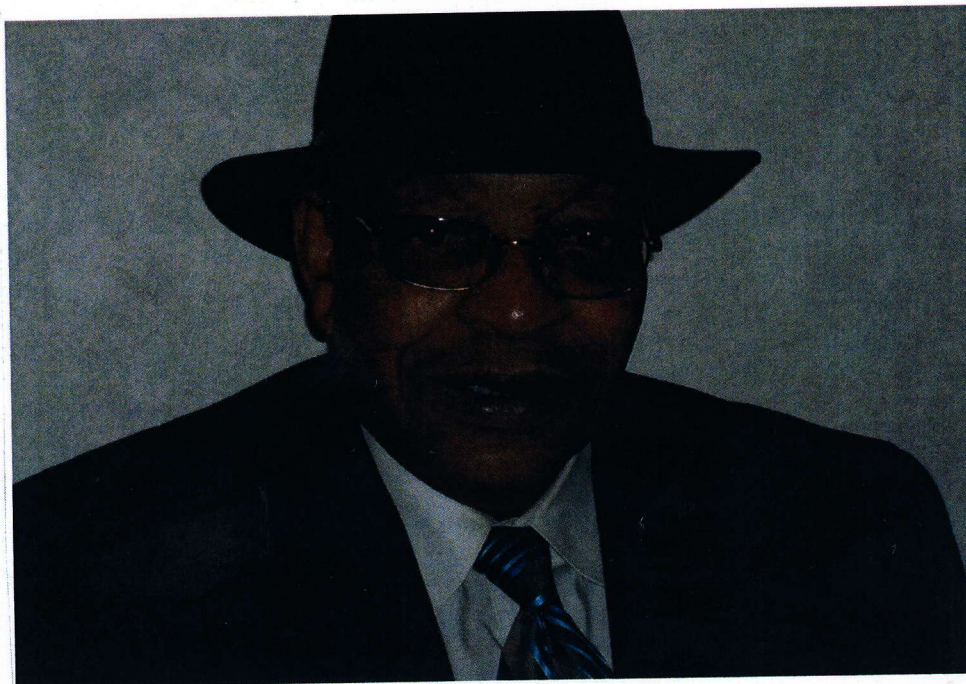


*A Celebration of Life
For
Deacon Hubert Ward*



*Thursday, August 4, 2011
1:00 P.M.*

*Round Island Creek Missionary Baptist Association
Mission Center
13829 Lucas Ferry Road
Athens, Alabama 35611*

*Reverend Jeffery Moseley, Officiating
Reverend Damon T. Betts, Moderator*

Reflections of a Beautiful Life....

"Fore even the son of man did not come to be served, but to serve." Mark 10:45

While living a life of service is a feat that few master, Hubert Ward epitomized the phrase "servant leader."

His life and legacy began December 2, 1931 in Chambers County, Alabama as the second child and only son born to the late Freeman and Charlene Allen Ward. He was called from labor to reward on Saturday, July 30, 2011 at the Huntsville Hospital in Huntsville, Al.

He confessed Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior early in life and joined the Macedonia M.B. Church in Five Points, Alabama where he served faithfully until the time for him to support his country in the Korean War.

Hubert, affectionately known as "Pete" graduated from the Chambers County Training School in Lafayette, Alabama and received a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanic Arts from Alabama A. & M. University in Huntsville, Alabama in 1957.

Hubert had a driving force within that manifested itself in serving others. This passion for helping others was instilled by his parents and grandparents as traits that blossomed as he grew into manhood.

After graduating from college, Hubert began his career with Thiokol Chemical Corporation, The General Electric Company and the U.S. Army Missile Command where he retired as a Safety Specialist in 1993.

In 1965, he became co-founder/co-owner and President of Peoples Funeral Home of North Alabama, Inc. He dedicated 45 years of dedicated service to his community and all who needed his service. He remained true to their motto, "Service within the Means of Every Family."

He was well loved and respected by the community that he served. He was the first black after reconstruction to run for City Councilman, Place No. 2 in Athens, Alabama. Currently he was serving as a Board Member of Top of Alabama Regional Councils of Government (TARCOG), board member of Lincoln-Bridgeforth Park, board member for Athens Boys and Girls Club, member of the Athens Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the State Board of Funeral Directors.

He served faithfully and was ordained a deacon at James Chapel M.B. Church under the leadership of Rev. Robert Oliver. Later, his entire family moved their membership to the Sweet Home M.B. Church where he served until his call from labor to reward as Chairman of the Deacons Board, member and President of the Brotherhood Choir, member of the Sanctuary Choir, Sunday School, and past treasurer and strong supporter of the Round Island Creek M.B. Association.

On March 30, 1957, he married the love of his life, Ollye Marie Fuller. This union was blessed by God with two precious and loving daughters.

He is survived by his loving and devoted wife, Ollye Marie; 2 devoted daughters, Sharon Renee' Alexander (his diamond) and Christie Ann Long (his pearl) both of Athens, AL; 3 loving sisters, Mayor Geneva Bledsoe, Mrs. Annie Lois Winston and Mrs. Catherine Allen of Five Points, AL; 1 Brother-in-Law, Mr. Raymond Phelps of Lester, AL; 2 grandchildren, Erica Nicole Alexander and Dezmond Montel Long both of Athens, AL; many loving nieces, nephews, cousins, and other extended families, relatives and friends.

A charge to keep I have

A God to glorify,

*A never dying soul to save
And fit it for the sky.*

To serve this present age

My calling to fulfill;

O, may it my powers engage

To do my Master's will.

Order of Service

Prelude

Brother Marxlyn David

Processional

Musical Selection.....Sweet Home Brotherhood Choir

Scripture Reading

Old Testament.....Reverend Marvin Winston
Associate Minister, First Missionary Baptist Church

New Testament.....Reverend John Jude
Pastor, Pleasant Grove CPCA Church

Prayer.....Reverend Larry Lockett, Sr.
RICMBA 1ST Vice-Moderator

Musical Selection..... Sweet Home Brotherhood Choir

Obituary
(read silently)

Acknowledgements.....Sister Barbara Scales

Musical Selection.....Sweet Home Brotherhood Choir

Eulogy..... Reverend Pastor Jeffery Moseley

Solo.....Deacon Arthur Jordon

Closing Prayer.....Reverend Damon T. Betts
Moderator of the RICMBA

Recessional

REPAST immediately following the committal services at the Center.



Honorary Pall Bearers

Deacons of Sweet Home Missionary Baptist Church

Honorary Flower Bearers

Mothers of Sweet Home Missionary Baptist Church

Active Pall Bearers

Staff of Peoples Funeral Home and Nephews

Active Flower Bearers

Mrs. Ann Gordon

Ms. Kelli Curry

Mrs. Linda Yarbrough

Mrs. Della Darby

Ms. Sharon Woods

Mrs. Cassie Fraser

Mrs. Marie McLin

Mrs. Margaret Smith

Mrs. Emily Carpenter

Mrs. Margie Davis

Mrs. Mary V. Davis

Mrs. Brenda Malone

Mrs. Sharon Woods

Ms. Francene Wiley

Mrs. Bernice Mason

Appreciation

The family of Deacon Hubert Ward acknowledges all acts of kindness and every courtesy shown through cards, telephone calls, food, floral tributes, visits and the many heartfelt prayers offered during our difficult hour of loss. We solicit your continued prayers that God will enable us to reconcile our loss and again make us whole. Our sincerest prayer is that God bless each one of you.

Interment

Thatch-Mann Cemetery

Final Arrangements Entrusted To:

Peoples Funeral Home

"An Island of Calm in a Lonely Hour."