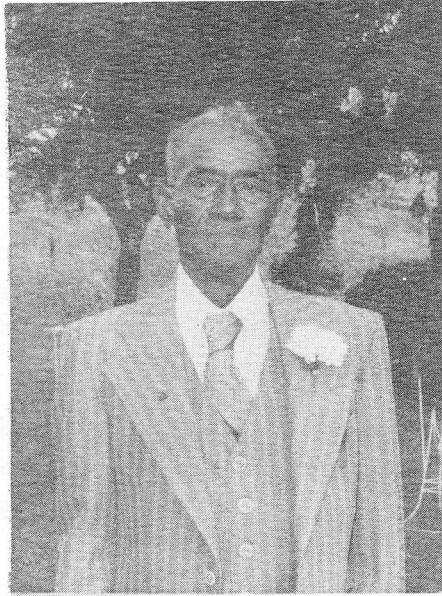


*Home Sweet Home*  
*For*  
*Deacon Aubrey Lee Horton*



1901 - 1996

*"My Work on Earth is Done"*

*Friday, September 27, 1996*  
*1:00 P.M.*

*Sweet Home Missionary Baptist Church*  
*803 Westmoreland Street*  
*Athens, Alabama*

**Reverend Thomas Sanderfer, Jr., Officiating**

**PEOPLES FUNERAL HOME, DIRECTING**

## OBITUARY

*Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, said the spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them.*

Deacon Aubrey was called home by his Lord quietly and peacefully on September 23, 1996 at his home.

Aubrey Lee Horton was born September 11, 1901 to the late Willie Horton and Della Gilbert Horton McKinney. Four brothers and three sisters preceded him in death.

He confessed hope in Christ at an early age and joined the Little Zion Missionary Baptist Church. He later moved his membership to the Sweet Home Missionary Baptist Church after serving in the United States Armed Forces during World War II.

He was united in holy wedlock to Anna Phillips on May 24, 1942. To this union eight children were born. One preceded him in death (Lawrence Phillips Horton).

He loved his church and he was loved in return by his church family. His humbling spirit endeared him to everyone that came in contact with him throughout Athens and Limestone County. He was made a deacon by his church in 1947.

He was a member of the of the Senior Choir. His greatest love within the church was the Sunday School. He was superintendent for over 25 years. The Sunday School bestowed the honor of Superintendent Emeritus to him. On April 23, 1994 the city of Athens set aside "Deacon Aubrey L. Horton Day."

Beside his church work, he worked with the Boy Scouts of America and was a chapter member of the American Legion Post 348. He has been a member of the Athelstine Lodge No. 71 of the Free and Accepted Masons for 49 years.

The memory of this humble and loving man will remain in the hearts of his wife, Anna; his daughters, Della (Billy), Margaret (Dale); his sons, Charles, Johnny Wayne (Shirley), Douglas, Harold, Alves; his sisters, Mollie Harris, Georgia Morgan, Nella Moore and Bonnie Bibbs; 17 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren; a father-in-law, Mr. Tom Phillips; sisters-in-law, Emma Horton, Cora Phillips, Addie Phillips; brothers-in-law, Fred Phillips, David Phillips, Will Phillips; his nieces and nephews, his cousins, church members and friends.'

## MEMORIAL SERVICES

PROCESSIONAL

SELECTION.....Choir

SONG AND PRAYER.....Deacon Charles Malone

SCRIPTURE.....Reverend Ronald Roach

SELECTION.....Choir

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.....Sister Barbara Scales

REFLECTIONS:

Church Member.....Deacon Leo Turner, Jr.

Sunday School.....Brother Nelson Simmons, Jr.

SELECTION.....Choir

EULOGY.....Reverend Thomas Sanderfer, Jr.

SOLO.....Reverend Grady Gill

RECESSIONAL

### INTERMENT: Thatch-Mann Cemetery

**Love is.....**A husband named Aubrey. Together we walked through a lifetime of love; the good times, the bad times; God watched from above, Aubrey, we had wonderful life. no where could I have found a more caring husband - I'll miss you.

**Love is.....**A father named Aubrey. we'll cherish the times we shared, secure in the knowledge of knowing you cared. When ever we needed you, you were always there. Humbly making our cares disappear - we'll miss you.

**Love is.....**A grandfather named Aubrey. We can never repay the love and kindness you brought our way. You were like our father and we love you so much; your patience and goodness; your sweet gently touch - We'll miss you.

**Love is.....**A brother named Aubrey. The love we shared the laughter, the tears - will be in our memory all through the years - we'll miss you.

**Love is.....**A son-in-law name Aubrey. Aubrey you've been a part of us for most of our lives. Thank you Aubrey for being Anna's husband. - I'll miss you.

**Love is.....**An uncle name Aubrey, so humble an dear. It was truly a blessing to have you so near.

**Love is.....**A church member named Deacon Horton. "Then Jonathan said to David tomorrow is the new moon; and thou shalt be missed, because thy seat will be empty." We'll miss you.

**PALLBEARERS**  
**Athelstine Lodge No. 71**

**FLOWER BEARERS**  
**Mothers and Nieces**

**AN IDEAL**

*I wish I were as big a man,  
As big a man,  
As bright a man,  
I wish I were as right a man  
In all his earthly show.  
As broad and high and long a man,  
As strong a man,  
As fine a man,  
As pretty near divine man as the one  
I used to know.*

*I wish I were as grave a man,  
As brave a man,  
As keen a man,  
As learned and serene a man,  
As fair to friends and foe;*

*I wish I owned sagaciousness,  
As graciousness,  
As should a man  
Who hopes to be as good a man  
As one I used to know.*

*I'd be a creature glorious,  
Victorious  
A wonder-man,  
Not just-as-now a blunder man  
Whose ways and thoughts are slow,  
If I could only be the man,  
on-half of one degree the man,  
I know my father was, since  
I've been ten or so.  
-Selected-*

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

*During a time like this, we learn how much our friends really mean to us. Our sorrow is made easier to bear through your thoughtfulness and many expressions of sympathy. Thank you sincerely for your understanding and affection.*

*The Family*

**Final Arrangements Entrusted To**  
**Peoples Funeral Home**  
**Athens, Alabama**