

*To all my friends as you pass by.
As you are now so once was I,
As I am now so must you be
Prepare yourself to follow me.
I've done my work, I've sung my song.
I've done some good, I've done some wrong.
And I shall go where I belong,
He guides my steps for He knows best.
He will not harm where he is blessed.
And so good-bye, I'll take my rest
Where Sweet Wild Roses Grow.*



Commemorative Service for

Willie M. Malone

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Eulogistic Service
for

Mr. Willie Mack Malone
1940 - 1990

Saturday, October 20, 1990
1:00 p.m.

Frazier Christian Methodist Episcopal Church
1108 South Hine Street
Athens, Alabama

Pastor, Reverend Maxie Johnson
Officiating, Reverend Charles King

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Should You Go First

*Should you go first and I remain
to walk the road alone,
I'll live in memories garden, dear,
with happy days we've known.*

*In spring I'll wait for roses red,
when fades, the lilac blue.
In early Fall, when brown leaves
fall,
I'll catch a glimpse of you.*

*Should you go first, and I remain,
for battles to be fought,
Each thing along the way
will be a hallowed spot.*

*I'll hear your voice, I'll see your
smile, tho blindly I may grope.
The memory of your helping hand
will buoy me on with hope.*

*Should you go first, and I remain
to finish with the scroll,
No lengthening shadows shall creep in
to make this life seem drear.*

*We've known so much of happiness
we've had our cup of joy;
And memory is one gift of God
that death cannot destroy.*

*Should you go first and I remain
Walk slowly down that long, long
path, for soon I'll follow you.*

*I want to know each step you take,
so I may take the same.*

*For someday down that lonely road,
you'll hear me call your name.*

The Family

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Loving Memories

Goodnight dear brother, we love you so; only God in heaven could know. You were so sweet; that's why we began to weep on October 14 when you fell asleep. We are laying our grief at Jesus' feet, hoping someday in heaven to meet, Jesus said just before He went away. He was coming for his saints one day. So we are not going to say good-bye. We hope to meet in the by and by.

The Family

Mr. Willie Mack Malone was born September 13, 1940 in Limestone County, Athens, Alabama to the late Mrs. Ella Will Hargrove Malone and Rev. Farmer M. Malone, Sr. He departed this life on October 14, 1990 at 8:45 a.m. at Humana Suburban Hospital in Louisville, Kentucky. He confessed hope in Christ and joined Browns Memorial C.M.E. Church, in Louisville, Ky., where Rev. Charles King is pastor.

He leaves to cherish his memory: four loving daughters, Ms. Sherl Malone, Ms. Elease Malone, and Ms. Tawanda Malone, all of Louisville, Ky., and Mrs. Peggy Bennett, of Broadview Heights, Ohio; a loving father, Rev. Farmer M. Malone, Sr., of Athens, Ala.; six sisters, Mrs. Ola R. Malone Anderson, of Louisville, Ky., Mrs. Sylvia Malone Kelly, of Atlanta, Ga., Mrs. Bertha Malone Pipes, of Los Angeles, Calif., Mrs. Juanita Malone Winton, of Chicago, Ill., Mrs. Geneva Malone Benford and Ms. Addie M. Malone, of Athens, Ala.; two brothers, Mr. Farmer M. Malone, Jr., and Mr. Roy Malone of Louisville, Ky.; two sisters-in-law, Mrs. Susie Malone and Mrs. Lois Malone, of Louisville, Ky.; four brothers-in-law, Mr. C.A. Anderson, Sr., of Louisville, Ky., Mr. James S. Pipes, Sr., of Los Angeles, Calif., Mr. Anderson Winton, of Chicago, Ill., and Mr. Alexander Benford, of Athens, Ala.; one son-in-law, Mr. Winston Bennett, of Broadview Heights, Ohio; three aunts Mrs. Ola M. Hall, Ms. Tula Hargrove and Mrs. Estella Hargrove of Louisville, Ky.; three great aunts, Mrs. Carrie Hargrove, of Cincinnati, Ohio, Mrs. Kate Hargrove, of Nashville, Tenn., and Mrs. Ellen Hargrove, of Cleveland, Ohio; one uncle, Mr. George Hargrove, Sr. of Louisville, Ky.; and one great uncle, Mr. Marvin Hargrove, of Louisville, Ky.; three grandsons, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

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Acknowledgements

Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent a funeral spray; if so, we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words, that any friend could say. Perhaps you were not there at all, just thought of us that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we thank you so much, whatever the part.

Interment
Thatch-Mann Cemetery
Athens, Alabama

Arrangements
Peoples Funeral Home
913 Browns Ferry
Athens, Alabama

Pall Bearers

Mike Bailey
Joe A. Davis
Dwight Maples
Steve Maples, Sr.
Willie Martin Murrah
Felix Randolph
Billy White
George White
John W. White

Honorary Pall Bearers

C.A. Anderson, Sr.
Donnie M. Anderson, Sr.
Alexander Benford
Farmer M. Malone, Jr.
Roy Malone
James S. Pipes, Sr.
James S. Pipes, Jr.
Anderson Winton
Nephews

Flower Bearers

Anita Benford Allen
Annie Maples Clemons
Lois Davis
Sherry Glover
Bettye Green
Annie Frances Horton
Norma White Jackson
Sandra Kennemer
Alma Maples McWilliams
Willie M. White

Honorary Flower Bearers

Ola R. Malone Anderson
Vandora Maples Anderson
Geneva Malone Benford
Sylvia Malone Kelly
Addie M. Malone
Lois Malone
Susie Malone
Joyce Anderson Maples
Bertha Malone Pipes
Juanita Malone Winton
Nieces