

**ACTIVE FLOWER BEARERS**

Eastern Stars NAOMI Chapter 653

**HONORARY FLOWER BEARERS**

St. Mark P. B. Church Mother's Board

**ACTIVE PALLBEARERS**

Masonic Lodge Member

**HONORARY PALLBEARERS**

St. Mark P. B. Church Deacon Board

**USHERS**

St. Mark P. Church #1 usher Board

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

*Words cannot express our deep and sincere appreciation for the many expressions and blessings of kindness shown to us during our most sad hour. We pray that God will bless you to lift the burdens of others as you have done for us.*

-THE FAMILY-

*Deacon James Woods favorite book was Psalm 23rd.*

**INTERMENT**

Thatch & Mann Cemetery



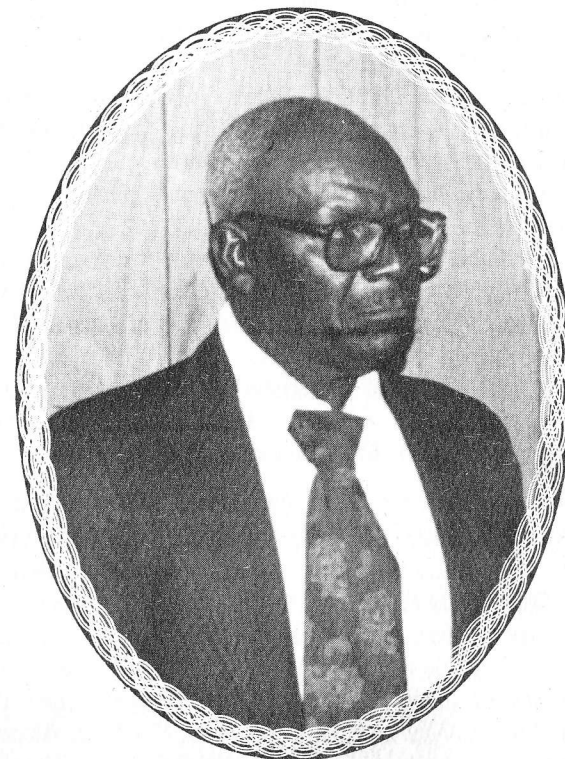
**Peoples Funeral Home**

*"Service within the means of every family"*

**Homegoing Service  
of**

*Deacon James C. Woods*

December 7, 1922 - October 20, 1995



*Tuesday, October 24, 1995*

*1:00 P.M.*

**SAINT MARK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**

Athen, Alabama

Elder Kenneth Owens, *Officiating*

## OBITUARY

*At dawn of view, at dawn of life  
At dawn of peace that follows strife,  
At dawn of all we long for so,  
The sun is rising-let us go.*

Deacon James Woods was born in Lauderdale County, December 7, 1922, to the late, Columbus and Mary Frances Woods Ingram. He departed this life on October 20th, 1995 at his residence.

He confessed hope in Christ in August, 1966 and became a member of St. Mark Primitive Baptist Church, under the Pastorship of Elder Joe L. Baker where he remained a faithful member until his death.

He was united in holy matrimony to the late Lellar C. Washington, to this union they were blessed with seven children.

He was a member of the NAACP, Alabama Democratic Conference, Athelstine Lodge 71, Superintendent of Sunday School for ten (10) years and Chairman of the Deacon Board for (12) years and Chairman of Benevolent committee.

James was admired by all who knew him and was never a stranger to anyone, always willing to help in anyway he could. He was devoted to his family and will be missed by all family members.

He leaves to cherish his memories: three daughters, Mary Beddingfield, Elkmont, Alabama, Diane (James) Holt, Lellar Wiley, both of Athens, Alabama; four sons, J. W. (Faye) Woods, Elkmont, Alabama, John W. (Mamie) Woods, Bob James (Deborah) Woods and Jimmy Dale Woods all of Athens, Alabama; four sisters, Hattie Malone, Alice Woods, Mae Ella Malone and Margie Marie Bell all of Athens, Alabama; ten aunts, Lallie (Presley Lee) Shoulders, Laura Bowen, Lillian Haney, Ida Page all of Rogersville, Alabama, Mamie Williams, Athens, Alabama, Mary Jackson, Florence, Alabama, Carrie B. Woods, Frankie Woods both of Courtland, Alabama, Susie Hankins, Muscle Shoals, Alabama and Queen Ricks of Tuscumbia, Alabama; one brother, Lynn Bud (Juanita) Woods, two uncles: Johnny Smith, Rogersville, Alabama and James (Gurley) Smith, Lima, Ohio; five sisters-in-law; Alene Southard, Della (Eligah) Townsend, Elnora Woods, Elois (D. J.) Townsend all of Athens, Alabama, Lura (Wille) Bailey, Dayton, Ohio; two brothers-in-law; Orstene Washington, Elkmont, Alabama and John (Mary) Washington, Cincinnati, Ohio; twenty-two grandchildren, fourteen great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives and friends.

## Order of Services

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| PROCESSIONAL.....        | Soft Music  |
| SELECTION.....           | Saint Mark Mass Choir   |
| PRAYER.....              | Deacon Earl Green Sr.   |
| SCRIPTURE.....           | Elder Maury Patton  |
| SELECTION.....           | St. Mark Mass Choir   |
| REFLECTION.....          | Bro. L. C. Bailey   |
| AS A NEIGHBOR.....       | Bro. Nathaniel French   |
| WORD OF COMFORT.....     | Elder Annaise Green<br>Elder Eugene Lewis<br>Elder Lester Baker |
| ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.....    | Bro. James Horton   |
| SELECTION.....           | St. Mark Mass Choir   |
| READING OF OBITUARY..... | (silently).....Soft Music                                       |
| EULOGY.....              | Elder Kenneth Owens   |
| SOLO.....                | Mother Stella Green   |
| CLOSING PRAYER.....      | Deacon Jim Green  |
| RECESSIONAL.....         | Soft Music  |

