

HOME GOING CELEBRATION

for

Mildred Jean Townsend Washington

July 19, 1962

Sept. 30, 2003



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**Sunday, October 5, 2003
1:00 pm**

**~ Little Ezekiel Missionary Baptist Church ~
Tanner, Alabama**

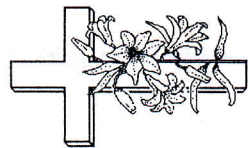
Pastor Charles Simmons, Officiating

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Obituary



Ms. Mildred Jean Townsend Washington was born July 19, 1962 to Sandford and Verolyn Townsend in Limestone County, Alabama. She departed this life September 30, 2003, at her parent's residence.

Ms. Washington accepted Christ at an early age and joined the Little Ezekiel Missionary Baptist Church in Tanner, Alabama under the leadership of Pastor Elmore Hurt. She remained a member there until her death.

Mildred was a kind spirited woman who fondly called people not by their name, but by "baby" no matter how old or young he or she was. She will be sorely missed by her family and friends. She had one brother, Willie E. Townsend, to preceded her in death.

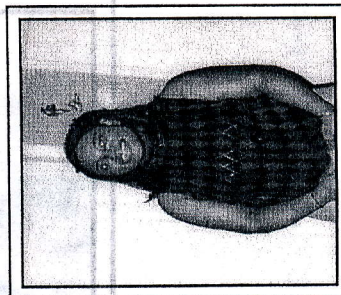
She leaves to cherish her memories a loving and devoted mother: Verolyn Townsend and father, Sandford Townsend both of Athens, AL; one daughter: Charlotte Jean Jackson, Athens, AL and one son, Brandon Lynn Townsend, Athens, AL; five Sisters: Jacqueline Townsend, Minnie Townsend, and Linda Guster, all of Athens, AL; Sandra Reese of Huntsville, AL and Wanda Holman of Atlanta, GA; five brothers: Larry Townsend of Athens, AL; Sandford Townsend, Jr., Tony Townsend, and Perry Townsend all of Decatur, AL; a special friend, James Guster and son, Dwight Guster of Decatur; twenty nieces and nephews 4 great-nieces and one great-nephew, and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.



Shine On And Remember Me

*The greatest tribute you can give
is in living every day...
loving others from the heart,
and taking time to pray.*

*Friends, the tears won't help me,
they'll only stain your face...
find someone who has a need,
and touch them with God's grace!*



A Mothers Tribute



*I wanted so, to take your pain
And leave it all behind...
To be your strength, when you were weak
To place your hand in mine.*

*To lift you up, when you were down,
to comfort you, each day...
but as I watched you fight to live,
I knew you could not stay.*

*Still, your memory shines so bright,
Your love lives on in me...
Your spirit soars the highest heights,
Your soul is finally free.*

*My "knight in shining armor,"
That's what you are to me...
I'll not forget the many times
You gave so graciously.*

*I know we'll meet again one day,
Where pain no more shall be...
Where dads and daughters reunite,
Forever, you and me.*

Order of Service

Processional	
Song	Little Ezekiel M.B. Church Choir
Opening Prayer.....	Dea. James Lucas
Scripture.....	Pastor Wesley David
Song	Choir
Tribute.....	Sis. Lois Williams
Reflections:	
Friend	Sis. Diane King
Brother	Bro. Larry Townsend
Mother	Read by Sister, Linda Guster
Solo	Sis. Tan Townsend
Acknowledgments.....	Mot. Imogene Malone
Song	Choir
Eulogy	Pastor Charles Simmons
	<i>Little Ezekiel Missionary Baptist Church Tanner, Alabama</i>
Solo	Sis. Mary Freeman
Invitation to Christian Discipleship	Pastor Simmons
Closing Prayer	Elder Donald Patton
Song	
Recessional	

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

ORDER OF SERVICE

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~ Flower Bearers ~
Aunts & Friends

~ Pall Bearers ~
Cousins

~ Interment & Committal ~
Hatchett Cemetery
Tanner, Alabama

~ Dinner Served ~
immediately following burial at
Little Ezekiel M.B. Church Fellowship Hall

~ Thank You ~

The Townsend and Washington Family acknowledge with sincere gratitude the many expressions of sympathy shown them during this very difficult time.
They are certainly grateful for your prayers, visits, telephone calls, and every other acts of kindness.

LOVING MEMORIES

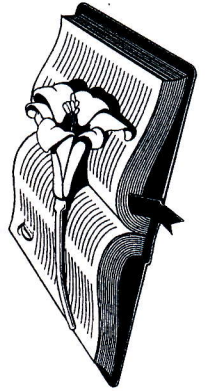
Your gentle face and patient smile
With sadness we recall
You had a kindly word for each
And died beloved by all.

The voice is mute and stills the heart,
That loved us well and true,
Ah, bitter was the trial to part
From one so good as you.

You are not forgotten loved one,
Nor will you ever be,
As long as life and memory last
We will remember thee.

We miss you now our hearts are sore,
As times go by we miss you more,
Your loving smile, your gentle face,
No one can fill your vacant place.

Author Unknown



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**~ Final Arrangements Entrusted to:~
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Athens, Alabama**

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