

**HOME GOING**

Of

**MRS. ODELL MASON CARTER SMITH**



Sunday, April 6, 1975 - 12:00 Noon  
Trinity High School Auditorium  
Rev. L. J. Fields, Officiating  
Athens, Alabama

Interment - Thatch Cemetery  
Mason Funeral Home, Directing

**PALL BEARERS**

Mr. Thomas Whitt  
Mr. Elijah Townsend  
Mr. Austin Washington

Mr. Harris McLin  
Mr. Jim Kirby  
Mr. Porter Garrison

**FLOWER BEARERS**

Mrs. Annie Lee Matthews  
Mrs. Rachel Province  
Mrs. Emma Bell Harris

Mrs. Maxine Pulley  
Mrs. Clara Rainey  
Mrs. Fannie Scales

Mrs. Della M. Townsend

## OBITUARY

"A journey of a thousand miles begins with one step. One life can span a century, but it begins with one heart beat. Institutions are born and may live a thousand years, but they begin with one idea, one book, one member. What begins simply can reach far and mean much. History is a mighty stream. You can never reduce it to "dehydrated substance". Human life is a priceless treasure."

Mrs. Odell Mason Carter Smith was born to the late Mr. Johnnie and Mrs. Maggie Mason in the year of 1907 - December 22, in Limestone County. She attended Trinity High School and A & M College, Normal, Alabama, a teacher of Limestone County for forty three years.

She united with Village View Methodist Church at an early age and stayed until death. She was united in Holy Matrimony in the year of 1929 to Mr. Tommie Carter. To this union, two children were born. Later years, she was married to Mr. Archie Smith, who proceeded her in death.

She departed this life April 1, 1975 at 9:45 P. M. at home.

She leaves to mourn her passing two sons, Mr. Carinus Maurice Carter, Mr. Kenneth V. Carter, both of Athens, Alabama, two daughters-in-law, Mrs. Zelma Daniel Carter, Athens, Alabama, Mrs. Lucille Carter, New York City, two granddaughters, Miss June Carter, Nashville, Tennessee, Miss Gail Carter, Athens, Alabama, one sister, Mrs. Willie Alyce Seay, Athens, Alabama, one brother, Bishop J. O. Mason, Chicago, Illinois, one brother-in-law, Mr. Roosevelt Seay, Athens, Alabama, one sister-in-law, Mrs. Beatrice Mason, Chicago, Illinois, sister-in-law, Mrs. Posey McCallay, Huntsville, Alabama, four nephews, Mr. Edgar Gilbert, Mr. Willie Mack Mason, Chicago, Illinois, Mr. Forest Benford, Jr., Buffalo, New York, Mr. Willie Davis Benford, New York City, three nieces, Mrs. Sharlene Whittaker, Fort Wayne, Indiana, Mrs. Cora Lee Woods, Las Vegas, Nevada, Mrs. Ida Mae Nance, Buffalo, New York and a host of other relatives and friends.

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the Crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but also to all who have loved his appearing.

II Timothy 4:6-8

## PROGRAM

Processional	
Piano Music	Choir
Vocal Selection	Mrs. Mildred Harris
Scripture Reading	Rev. Wade Carter
Prayer	Rev. F. M. Malone
Vocal Selection	Choir
As A Church	Stewart O. P. Harris
As A Neighbor	Sister Essie Crutcher
As A Teacher	Mrs. Emma Katie Gray
As A Fair Member	Mr. Ben Troupe
Obituary - Acknowledgements	Silent & Special Music
Dedication Song - "The Works I Have Done Speak For Me"	
Messages	Rev. L. J. Fields and Rev. Clarence Jordan
Prayer	(A Pastoral Prayer)
Special Music	
Solo	Sister Rainey Malone
Closing Song and Prayer	Deacon Charlie Ratliff
Recessional	
Interment	Thatch Cemetery