Pallbearers

Nephews

Flowerbearers

Nieces

Acknowledgements

The family of the late Mr. Arteis T. Watkins wishes to express their profound and sincere gratitude to the many friends for their communications, and many acts of kindness evidenced in thoughts and deeds.

All that have been done has helped to soften the sorrow during this hour of bereavement, but time cannot steal the treasures that we carry in our hearts.

Interment

Harmony Cemetery

Directors in Charge

Rawls Funeral Home Brownsville, Tennessee

Obsequies of the late BRO. ARTEIS T. WATKINS



Saturday, March 7, 1987

2:00 P.M.

GOOD HOPE M.B. CHURCH

Route 1, Stanton, Tennessee Rev. Harold M. Perkins, Pastor

Obituary

Sleep on Mr. Arteis T. Watkins and take your rest. We loved you, but God loves you best.

Bro. Arteis T. Watkins was born to the proud parents, Mr. Robert E. Watkins and Mrs. Ethel Ragland Watkins June 24, 1923, Haywood County, Tennessee. He expired March 4, 1987.

He professed a hope in Christ at an early age and united with the Good Hope M.B. Church, where his membership remained until his death. He served as a deacon, treasurer of the Sunday School and a member of the senior choir for a period of time.

He was united in holy matrimony to Miss Elvester Turner October 17, 1942. To this union ten children were born. They lived happy together for many years.

He was a school bus driver for twenty years, and a carpenter for many years.

He leaves to cherish his memories: a wife, Mrs. Elevester Watkins of Stanton, Tennessee; 4 sons: Mr. Robert T. of Stanton, Tennessee, Mr. Donnell, Bernard and Mark of Killeen, Texas; 7 daughters: Dixie, Betty, Claraniece, Belinda, and Crystal of Louisville, Ky., Nadean of Stanton, Tennessee and Deborah of Brownsville, Tennessee; 6 sisters Cora Mae, Willie Eva, Robert Dell, Charolette, Martha, all of Jackson, Tennessee, Luvern of Benton Harbor, Indiana, Annie F. of Gary, Indiana, Katie of Stanton, Tennessee, a mother Mrs. Ethel Morris of Jackson, Tennessee; a step mother: Mrs. Fannie O. Watkins; 3 aunts Mrs. Eva Jones of St. Louis, Mo. and Mrs. Johnnie Wellington of Ohio, Miss Rosella Rhodes of Somerville, Tennessee; 16 grandchildren; 1 great grandchild; 7 brothers-in-law; 5 sisters-in-law; 4 sons-in-law; 3 daughters-in-law and a host of nephews, nieces and other relatives and friends.

The man we most Admired The man we most Admired

Who was always there by our sides.
To do whatever it was to be done,
With his hammer, other tools, and staple gun.
Thank-you Daddy for being so kind
Always one to hold your peace and never really
to speak your angered mind.

Thanks for teaching us the ways of life
Telling us "Children, nothing can be solved through hate and strife.
Our Father would always say
don't forget to pray and go to church on Sunday.
And most of all thank-you God for sending us, a man such as he,
In which our grandmother named Arteis T.
Thank you Daddy for leaving us precious memories of cheer,
Which will never die and live from year to year.

The Children

Order of Service

Processional

Processional
Song
Scripture
Prayer
Song
Remarks
Sofo Miss Gertie Turner
Acknowledgements
Resolutions
Obituary (Silently Read)-Soft Music
Song
Eulogy Rev. Harold Perkins
Viewing of Remains
Recessional