

Service of
Praise and Thanksgiving
for the Life
of
Myrtle S. Dorsey

Sunrise

October 3, 1911

Sunset

February 16, 1997



- Service -

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1997
1:00 P.M.

MARLIN MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
507 Bennett Street
Marlin, Texas

Rev. Waylon Sias, Pastor
Rev. B. T. Talbert, Officiating



*"She looketh well to the ways of her household,
and eateth not the bread of idleness. Her children
arise up and call her blessed . . ."*

- Proverbs 31: 27-28

Obituary

Myrtle Smith Dorsey was born October 3, 1911 in Highbank, Falls County, Texas to John and Emma Howard Smith. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Clayton Dorsey, and an infant daughter, Freddie Jean Dorsey.

She received her formal education through the Bethany Community School, Marlin Independent School District, Paul Quinn College and Prairie View A & M University. She taught school for 27 years in the Sunset Community and Marlin Independent School District.

She accepted Christ at an early age at Bethany Baptist Church and later united with Providence Baptist Church in Marlin, Texas. After being united in marriage to Clayton, she became a member of New Zion Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. E. J. House, where she remained a faithful member for 60 years. She was devoted to working with the community and all areas of the church including the youth, Women's Missionary Society, Sunday School, adult choir and Falls County Baptist Association.

Survivors include two sons, Billy (Hazel) Dorsey of Ft. Worth, Texas and John Dorsey of Riesel, Texas; one daughter, Barbara Dorsey (Charles) Sharp of LaMarque, Texas; grandchildren, Darrell Dorsey, Everette Dorsey, Dwayne Dever, Teric Dorsey-Coleman, Sharon Sharp and Amy Dorsey; great-granddaughter, Destiny Coleman; sisters-in-law, Aria Thompson, Severa Carter, Dorothy Dorsey, Lucille Dorsey and A. Fay Dorsey; brother-in-law, Harrison A. Dorsey; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.



“Thy Will”

*When life's tasks are done
And you've seen all you were to see
When you've finally entered His presence
To bask in His glory . . .
We cry, “Not our will, Lord, but Thy will be done.”
You touched, you loved
In a very special way
We'll miss your laughter and your tears
And the funny things you'd say . . .
We sigh, “Not our will, Lord, but Thy will be done.”
You were Mother, Grandmother
And Mrs. Myrtle, too
You cared for others
And they cared for you.
You were a true Woman of God
With a passion for His praise
You will remain in our hearts
For the rest of our days . . .
With this in mind,
We can say, “Not our will, Lord, but Thy will be done.”*

Lovingly submitted,
Your Children and Grandchildren
(Composed by Sharon Sharp, Granddaughter)

Order of Service

Prelude

Processional Led by Rev. B. T. Talbert

Hymn New Zion & Sunset Baptist Choir
"Close To Thee"

Prayer Rev. William Lott Jr.

Scriptures:

Old Testament Rev. Carl Oliver
New Testament Rev. Nathaniel Bedford

Hymn New Zion & Sunset Baptist Choirs
"Higher Ground"

Acknowledgments Sis. Patricia Brown,
Church Clerk

Resolutions New Zion Baptist, Riesel
Sunset Baptist, Riesel
Nazareth Baptist, Perry
Rising Star Baptist, Texas City
Others May Be Passed to Family

Hymn New Zion & Sunset Baptist Choirs
"Hold To God's Unchanging Hand"

Remarks (Limit two minutes, please)
Rev. Wm. Johnson Jr., Moderator
Falls County Baptist Association
& Others

Recognition of Ministers Rev. Waylon Sias

Eulogy Rev. B. T. Talbert, Pastor
New Zion Baptist Church,
Riesel, Texas

Recessional Congregation
"When We All Get To Heaven"

Active Pallbearers

Former Students

Honorary Pallbearers

Deacons of the Church

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery
Marlin, Texas

Appreciation

The family of Myrtle Dorsey wishes to express their appreciation to everyone for the kindness and sympathy you have extended during these hours of sorrow. Your flowers, food, cards, presence and other kindness will always be remembered. May God bless each of you.

- The Family

*WILL THOSE DRIVING IN THE
PROCESSION KINDLY TURN ON
THEIR HEADLIGHTS FOR SAFETY!*

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