

Celebration of Praise  
and Thanksgiving  
for the Life of  
Mrs. Narcella Vanderbilt



- Service -

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1993  
11:00 A.M.

MARLIN MISSIONARY  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
507 Bennett Street  
Marlin, Texas

*Reverend Leslie J. Johnson, II, Pastor, Officiating*

# Precious Memories Unfolded

Sunrise:

April 26, 1911

Sunset:

February 5, 1993

On April 26, 1911 in Mart, Texas, a blessed event took place. Sarah and Will L. Johnson Sr. were blessed with a precious baby girl. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Sr. decided to name their daughter Narvella.

Narvella accepted the Lord as her personal savior at an early age and united with the New Jerusalem Baptist Church in Otto, Texas, where the Rev. E. T. Mayes was the pastor.

Narvella was united in marriage to Mr. Sidney Jones. To this union two children were born. Mr. Jones preceded her in death. She married Mr. Carthan Vanderbilt, who also preceded her in death. Also one grandson, Larry Shields, preceded her in death.

Narvella later united with the Marlin Missionary Baptist Church, where she served faithfully in the Mission I, the senior choir and on the usher board until her health began to fail and moved to Dallas, Texas with her daughter.

On Friday, February 5, 1993 in Dallas, Texas, our Father in heaven saw that Mrs. Narvella Vanderbilt was getting tired, so He whispered to her to come and rest. Therefore, with peace and calm she fell asleep in the "Arms of Jesus."

She leaves a loving and devoted family to cherish her memories: one daughter, Mrs. Ruby Pearl Jones of Dallas, Texas; one son, Mr. Quincy Shields of Dallas, Texas; two brothers, Mr. Willie L. Johnson Jr. of Mart, Texas and Mr. Rudolph Johnson of Marlin, Texas; five grandchildren, Jeffie K. Sanders of Waco, Texas, Angela Y. Crumpton of Grand Prairie, Texas, Karen E. Jones, Anissa Shields and Tyrone Shields, all of Dallas, Texas; five great-grandchildren, Corey, Kimberely, Kamisha, Chelsie and Marcie; a host of nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

## A Tribute To Mother

*Mother, you were special in so many ways. You lightened the nights and brightened the days.*

*There's so much love in your warm embrace. No one could ever take your place.*

*You taught us so much, in our younger years. You shared our laughter, you dried our tears.*

*So many times we've counted on you, to help make our hopes and dreams come true.*

*Through the years you've given so much. You've always had that special touch.*

*Our mother, our teacher, our best friend too. Mother, you know how much we love you.*

Ruby Pearl and Quincy

# The Funeral Cortege Enters Service

Processional

The Opening Selection . . . . . Choir

God Speaks Comfort . . . . . Pastor W. T. Atkins  
Tabernacle Baptist Church  
Dallas, Texas

We Talk to God in Prayer . . . . . Pastor W. T. Atkins

Solo . . . . . Bro. Michael Pierce  
*"Precious Lord"*

Words of Encouragement . . . . . Rev. Diane Hardge  
Trinity Assemblies of God  
Dallas, Texas

Sentimental Remarks . . . . . (Limit 3 minutes, please)

Precious Memories Unfolded  
(Read Silently) . . . . . Soft Music

Selection . . . . . Choir

Words of Comfort . . . . . Pastor L. J. Johnson II

A Glimpse 'til Glory . . . . . Robertson Funeral Home Staff

## The Funeral Cortege Departs

### Thine Earthly Bed

Evergreen Cemetery

# The Body Borne in Honor

by

Friends and Relatives

## Acknowledgment

When trouble came to try our soul, we love you friends for standing by. For these are troubles all our own and paths we must tread alone. Your love has eased this mournful road, and your prayers have lightened this heavy load. But just to feel we had a friend, who stuck by us until the end; Whose sympathy through all endured, whose warm handshake was always yours. You have emptied our hearts of callous and pain. You have freshened our desert with flowers and rain. You have come in the sadness of winter and gloom, and sung of the gladness of summer and bloom. And so in our grief we fervently cry, God bless you, friends, for just standing by.

- The Family



*"Serving with Compassion"*

**Final and Most Sacred Arrangements**

**Entrusted To**

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