

The Homegoing
of
Mrs. Maxceine (Bray)
Hickerson



Sunrise
September 15, 1939

Sunset
May 10, 2000

Sixty Years - Seven Months - Twenty five Days

HOMEGOING CELEBRATION

Saturday May 11, 2000 2:00 p.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Josserand - Trinity County - Texas
Rev. C. Harbin - Pastor

OFFICIATING CLERGY

Pastor C. Harbin
Rev. H. Dolphus, Jr.
Rev. C. Taylor
Elder R. Goyens

The Life of Mrs. Maxceine (Bray) Hickerson

Maxceine Bray was born September 15, 1939, the third child born to the union of Rev. Paul Bray and Pearl K. Ash, at Westville, Texas. She attended the public schools of Groveton, and graduated from G. W. Carver High School.

She was united in holy matrimony in 1957 to Robert "Pee-wee" Mark, and to this union children were born: Douglas Keith, Terrance Darwin, and Vivian Shawn. She later married John Edward "BoRed" Stanton and to this union one son was born, Christopher Doyle and two daughters were adopted, Lola Marie and Briza. On February 26, 2000 she was united in holy matrimony to the Rev. Dr. Vernon Hickerson, a blessing to his life.

She was an active member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Jossierand, TX, where she was Program Chairman. She was always supportive of her pastor, and her church. She loved and supported the Groveton Male Chorus. Mrs. Hickerson worked at Temple-Inland in Diboll over 25 years. The last few years, she served Mr. Joe Jurek as a personal caretaker until her sun set at noonday.

She leaves to mourn her loss her husband, Vernon; three sons and daughters-in-law, Douglas Keith & Vivian Mark, Terrance Darwin & Cynthia Mark; Christopher D. Stanton; three daughters, Vivian Shawn Mitchell, Lola Marie & Henry Gordon and Briza Maucha; her loving mother, Mrs. Pearl Gatlin; brothers and sisters-in-law, W. T. Bray (Mary Helen-deceased); James Allen & Linda Bray; Sisters and brothers-in-law; Mrs. Willie Mae & (Arthur) Punch; Ada Earlene & Roosevelt Mark. Stepchildren: Connie (Hickerson) & Washington Jones, Vernon R. Hickerson II, Courtney Marie Hickerson; Grandchildren 14, Great Grandchildren 4.

She departed these mundane shores May 10, 2000 as she lay her head upon His breast and breathed her life out sweetly.

Farewell, Baby, Sister, Mama Mac and Granny - see you in the morning!

*Precious
Memories*



Order of Service

- Prelude Instrumental Music
Processional Funeral Directors In Charge
(Clergy, Casket Bearers, Family & Friends)
(Instrumental Music Played)
Musical Selection Groveton Male Chorus
Holy Scriptures
 Old Testament Rev. C. Taylor or Appointee
 New Testament Elder R. Goyens or Appointee
Prayer of Comfort Rev. H. Dolphus, Jr. or Appointee
Solo Sis. Fannie Littles
Resolutions Mt. Olive & Others
Acknowledgment Sis. Emma Dunn
Remarks Limited to two minutes each, please!
Obituary Read Silently
(Instrumental Music Played)
A Word from the Lord Pastor C. Harbin
Final Glimpse Until Glory Funeral Directors In Charge
(Clergy, Casket Bearers, Congregation & Friends)
(Instrumental Music Played)
Recessional Funeral Directors In Charge
(Clergy, Casket Bearers, Body of the Deceased, Family & Friends)
(Instrumental Music Played)
Postlude Instrumental Music
Cortege to the Cemetery
All drivers turn your bright lights on, please!

INTERMENT

Old Sumpter Cemetery
Trinity County, Texas

Arrangements Entrusted To & Services Professionally Directed By
TIMS FUNERAL HOME, INC.

222 Leach Street - Lufkin, Texas 75904

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Frederic S. Tims and Billy H. Daniel, Sr., Licensed Funeral Directors in Attendance
Reginald Shankle, Sr., Apprentice Funeral Director in Attendance
Lady Attendants

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Nothing Will Change My Love for You



*Leaves may change
from green to gold,*



the sky from blue to gray,

A summer's afternoon becomes

a sparkling winter day,



*People change,
and places change,*



and times keep changing, too,

But one thing always stays the same-

the love I feel for you.



EMILY MATTHEWS

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

Groveton Male Chorus

ACTIVE CASKET BEARERS

Charles Bray

McArthur Punch

Keith Bray

Curtis Stanton

Darius Mark

Richard Stanton

FLOWER BEARERS

Friends of the Family

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The word thanks has a few letters but is of great importance. When used loosely it is often overlooked, but when expressed from sincere hearts it takes on unparalleled significance. To all that have been instrumental in reducing our burden of grief in the loss of God's own and our beloved, her Family genuinely says, "Thanks".

~ The Family of Maxceine (Bray) Hickerson ~



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In your hour of sorrow you conferred upon us a priceless confidence which we hold to be a sacred trust...

With this trust always in mind, we endeavor to serve and assuage your sorrow...

Dinner for the Family and Out of Town Friends, will be served in the Mt. Olive fellowship hall, immediately following the conclusion of these this afternoon.