

To Those I Love And Those Who Love Me

When I am gone release me, let me go
I have so many things to see and do.
You must not tie yourself to me with tears
Be happy we had so many years
I gave you my love, you can only guess
How much you gave me in happiness
I thank you for the your love you each have shown
But now it is time I traveled on alone.
So grieve, awhile for me, if grieve you must.
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It's only for a while that we must part,
So bless the memories within your heart.
I won't be far away for life goes on;
So if you need me, call and I will come
Thou you can't see or tough me, I'll be near.
And if you listen with your heart you will hear all my love around
Soft and dear; and then when you must come this way alone.
I'll greet you with a smile, and say "Welcome Home."

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

*Because you cared, you came to share
Beautiful flowers and words of Prayer
Because you cared enough to do.
Words of comfort and cards came, too.
Because you cared we were not alone,
Calls and visits reached hospital and home.
Because you cared, we're grateful indeed,
You've been a comfort and friend in need.
Because you cared, we're praying too,
For God's richest blessings for each of you.*



SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

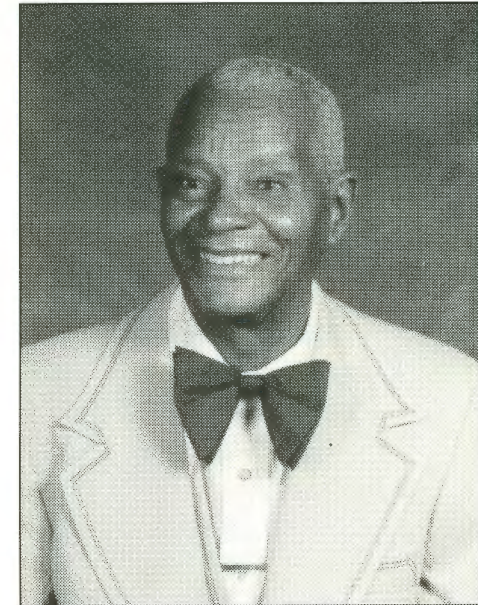
The family of John Edd Massey would like to extend special thanks and appreciation to the nurses and staff of the Texas Home Health in Lufkin, Texas for the care and support over the years.

- The Massey Family -



In Cherished Memory of John Edd Massey

Sunrise: February 5, 1904 Sunset: April 6, 1996
Ninety two Years - Two Months - One Day



HOMEGOING CELEBRATION

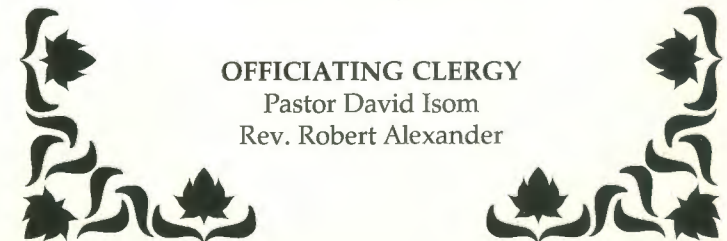
Wednesday April 10, 1996 1:30 P.M.

LIGON CHAPEL C.M.E. CHAPEL

Nigton Community
Apple Springs, Texas

OFFICIATING CLERGY

Pastor David Isom
Rev. Robert Alexander



The Blessed Life of John Edd Massey

Birthdate: February 5, 1904

Birthplace: Nigton Community in Trinity County, Texas

Parents: John Vincent Massey and Margaret (Dixon)

Massey, both parents preceded him in death

Family: Preceded in death by Sisters; Novella Massey,
Mary Breed, Bernice Ligon and Caldonia "Callie" Mark
Brothers; Isaac, Eugene, William "Willie"
and Alvin Massey

Childhood: Raised in Nigton and attended the local schools
Professed his faith in Christ at an early age at the Ligon
Chapel C.M.E. Church

Marriage: United in Holy Matrimony to Ruth B. Caffie,
August 30, 1933.

She preceded him in death in 1972

Educational Background: Obtained a B.S. degree in
agriculture and education in 1930 from Prairie View
Industrial and Agricultural College

Also did graduate study

Adulthood: Resided in Nigton most of his life except for
several brief periods

Livelihood: Taught in the local school district as well as
other districts in the State of Texas

Foster grandparent at the Lufkin State School

National Forestry employee until 1988

Religious Affiliation: Ligon Chapel C.M.E. Church, serving
as an active member throughout his life

Demise: Departed this life Saturday, April 6, 1996 at
11:15 PM in Woodland Heights Medical Center in
Lufkin, Texas

He Leaves to Cherish His Memory:

Daughter; Johnnie Sue (Massey) Davis of San Antonio, TX

Son-in-law; Dennis R. Davis of San Antonio, TX

Grandchildren; DeLana Davis of San Antonio, Texas

Dennis R. Davis II of San Antonio, Texas

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Stewards of Ligon Chapel C.M.E. Church

Johnny B. Breed

Aromatee Mark

Jim Cezar

Richard Stanton

B. T. "Pete" Tubbs

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Great Nephews

James Breed

Aromatee Mark, Jr.

Marcus Hall

Jerome Mark

Theophus "Deon" Hall

John Curtis Mark

FLOWER BEARERS

Members of Ligon Chapel C.M.E. Church



TIMS FUNERAL HOME, INC.; DIRECTORS

Lufkin, Texas

*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 Ligon Chapel fellowship hall, immediately
following the conclusion of these services this afternoon.

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Aunts; Wyzella Dixon of Dallas, Texas
Carrie Dixon of Nigton, Texas
Loving Caregiver & Devoted Nieces;
Golden Breed of Nigton, Texas and her daughter
Shandra of the US Armed Services
Goldie's loving care added so much peace and
happiness with those last frail years of his life
Nephews & Nieces with three generations of their
children, other faithful and trusted relatives and
friends; Host

Reflections

*He was well known in
the Nigton Community
that he so deeply loved.*

*His heart was always in
the Community, even when he
was living elsewhere.*



*In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the
Nigton Cemetery Fund.*

Order of Service

Prelude Instrumental Music
Processional Funeral Directors In Charge
(Clergy, Pallbearers, Family & Friends)
(Instrumental Music Played)
Music of Comfort Ligon Chapel Choir
Holy Scriptures
Old Testament Pastor Isom or His Appointee
New Testament Pastor Isom or His Appointee
Prayer Pastor Isom or His Appointee
"Someone Who Cares" Frederic Tims
Resolutions & Remarks . . . Limited to 2 minutes each, please!
Acknowledgment Appointee
Obituary (Instrumental Music Played) . . . Read Silently
Musical Tribute Frederic Tims
A Word From the Lord Rev. Robert Alexander
alt. Pastor David Isom
Final Glimpse Until Glory Funeral Directors In Charge
(Clergy, Pallbearers, Family & Friends)
(Instrumental Music Played)
Recessional Funeral Directors In Charge
(Clergy, Body of the Deceased, Pallbearers, Family & Friends)
(Instrumental Music Played)
Postlude Instrumental Music

INTERMENT

Nigton Memorial Park
Nigton Community - Apple Springs, Texas



Arrangements Entrusted To & Services Professionally Directed By

TIMS FUNERAL HOME, INC.

222 Leach Street - Lufkin, Texas 75904

(409) 634-7911 or 634-2893

Frederic S. Tims and Billy H. Daniel, Sr.

Licensed Funeral Directors in Attendance

Jacquelyn L. Tims - Deloris Richard - Ivies Ford - Susie Skillern - Dr. Patricia McKenzie
Willie E. Swindle - Doris Tims - Juanita Garrett - Shirley Crain - Lavell Myers - Pat Ligon
Sophie Lamb - Sylvia Yarbrough - Pearl Smith - Jennie Jones - Willie Mae Durham

Lady Attendants

Cioffi "Binky" Ross - J. R. Shankle - Kenneth E. Williams - Darwin Richard - Bishop Leroy Shankle
George Harris, Jr. - Dennis Garner - Olu Brown - James Shankle - Ted Shankle - Ben Deason, Sr.
Minister Reginald Shankle - James Edens - George Barnes, Sr. - Devin Richard - Myric Richard
Marcus Jefferson - P Nut Ash - Charles H. Shaw - Kenneth W. Murphy - Curtis R. Runnels - Joseph McGee
Rev. Lawrence Young - Rev. Cedric Kenebrew - Dr. Harold Edwards - Rev. Richard Randle
Elder Robert Owens - Howard Tisby - Oran Upshaw - Jeffrey Shaw - Greg Cole - Roy G. Crain
Melvin Hicks - Robert Ayers - James Specks - Reginald Hamilton - Michael Greer
Ellis Carrington, Sr. - J. A. Hackney, Sr. - Elder W. A. Shepherd - Eric Hadnot
Jerome Gardner - Rev. Vernon Austin - Amos Kiel, Sr. - Rev. Aaron Branson
Assistants to the Funeral Directors