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### Rev. E. L. Belcher

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HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Ministers and Deacons

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Rev. A. L. Rozier

Rev. R. Bell

Rev. James Grant

Rev. James Perdue

Rev. Lee Hunter

Rev. E. Humphries

FLORAL ATTENDANTS

Ministers Wives

FUNERAL SERVICES



For the Late Rev. E. L. Belcher

First A. B. Church

Wednesday, January 22, 1969

3:30 P. M.

Rev. M. F. Fye, Presiding

Payton's Mortuary in Charge

OBITUARY

"The Voice at midnight came: He started up to hear; A mortal arrow pierced his frame; He fell, but felt no fear."

The late Rev. E. L. Belcher, was born in Lowndes County, Valdosta, Georgia. He was the son of the late Jim and Janie Roundtree Belcher. He attended the public schools of Valdosta and joined the Bethlehem Baptist Church of that city at an early age. He was united in Holy Matrimony to Miss Lucinda Brown and to this union ten children were born.

Early in their married life the family moved to Sylvania, Georgia and he united with the St. Paul Baptist Church of that city under the Pastorate of the late Rev. J. H. German. It was during this time that he received the Divine call to preach and attended the Bryant Theological Seminary. He later moved to Statesboro, Ga. and united with the First A. B. Baptist Church of this city. After moving to Wadley, Georgia, he joined the Brinson Hill Baptist Church of that city and remained until God called him from Labor to Reward.

He served as Pastor of a number of churches in this area of the state. He was an eloquent speaker and a Gospel Preacher. It will not be attempted to name all the churches he served but allow it to be said that he Pastored the Thomas Grove Baptist Church of this city for 16 years.

He departed this life, January 17, 1969 and leaves to mourn his passing, five daughters: Mrs. Janie Davis, Mrs. Alethia Heard and Mrs. Vannie Ruth Jordan of Savannah, Ga., Mrs. Eurie P. Canty of Statesboro, Ga. and Mrs. Fannie Mae Anderson of Philadelphia, Pa.; two sons, Mr. Roy Belcher and Mr. Arnold Belcher of Philadelphia, Pa.; Twenty-four grand-children, nineteen great grand children, a number of nieces and nephews and a host of other relatives and friends.

Servant of God well done, Rest from Thy loved employ, The battle fought, the Victory won; Enter Thy Masters joy. Soldier of Christ well done; Praise be Thy new employ; and while eternal ages run, Rest in Thy Savior's Joy.

PROGRAM

- Processional
- Selection . . . . .Choir
- Scripture . . . . .Rev. E. A. Capers
- Invocation . . . . .Rev. J. B. Bates
- Selection . . . . .Choir
- Remarks (Please limit to not more than three minutes.)
- "As I Knew Him" . . . . .Rev. E. D. Brooks
- "As a Minister" . . . . .Rev. E. A. Hagins
- "As a Worker in the Pilgrim Association" . . Rev. J. W. H. Thomas
- Acknowledgements . . . . .Sis. Carolyn Lewis
- Solo . . . . .Bro. Carl Hendrix
- Eulogy . . . . .Rev. R. F. Thompson
- Viewing of Remains
- Recessional

Interment: East Side Cemetery, Statesboro, Ga.