

## Rev. J. Matthew Benton

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# LAST RITES

For

*Rev. J. Matthew Benton*



TREMONT TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Savannah, Georgia

Saturday, September 22, 1973

11:00 A.M.

Interment—Benton's Cemetery

**ACTIVE PALLBEARERS**

Deacons of Tremont Temple Baptist Church

**HONORARY PALLBEARERS**

Baptist Ministers

**FLOWER LADIES**

Baptist Ministers Wives

# P R O G R A M

Pulpit Host—Rev. R. L. Byrd

Rev. Carl Faison—Presiding

Processional

Selection .....Tremont Temple Choirs

Old Testament .....Rev. J. Q. Adams

New Testament .....Rev. Samuel Williams

Prayer .....Rev. Pete Broxton

Selection .....Tremont Temple Choirs

Remarks .....(2 Minutes):.....

Tremont Temple Church .....Dea. Leroy Eason

—Chairman Deacon Board

Baptist Ministers Union .....Rev. A. E. Hagins

Interdenominational Alliance President

Calvary Baptist Church .....Mrs. Carrie Williams

Second Rehoboth Association .....Rev. D. E. Kelly

Women Department of

Second Rehoboth Association .....Mrs. Blanche Dixon

As A Friend .....Mr. Sidney A. Jones

Selection .....Sidney A. Jones Choir

Bryant Theological Seminary .....Rev. Marshall Stevenson

Promotional Sect. General Missionary

Baptist Convention .....Mrs. C. M. Pearson

S. S. & B.T.U. Congress of

General Missionary Baptist Convention .....Rev. C. M. Alexander

General Missionary Baptist Convention .....Dr. E. James Grant, President

Solo—"I've Done My Work" .....Mrs. Ann Gary

Acknowledgements .....Mrs. Betty Ellington

Selection .....Tremont Temple Choirs

Eulogy .....Rev. W. H. Byrd

Recessional

## OBITUARY

Jeremiah Matthew Benton was born in Appling County, Ga. to the late Mr. and Mrs. Tate Benton.

At an early age he accepted Christ as his Saviour and was baptised and became a member of the Mizpah Baptist Church, Appling County, Ga. Before he was called to the ministry he served as Sunday School Supt. and prayer meeting leader.

He was married to the late Mrs. Ludenia Benton who preceeded him some years ago in death. After which he was married to Mrs. Mildred Shaw Benton.

As a very young man the Lord called him to carry the message of Salvation. His first pastorage was his home church, Mizpah Baptist Church. He has served for more than 40 years as pastor of churches, all over South Georgia, Eastman, Hazlehurst, Douglas, Fitzgerald and Waycross. For 27 years he has led the Congregation at Tremont Temple as a teacher, Counsellor, father and preacher.

At the time of his passing, he was the moderator of the Second Rehabath Association, chairman of the Bryant Theological Seminary and a Board Chairman of the National Baptist Convention, Inc.

He leaves to mourn his home going, a devoted wife, Mrs. Mildred Benton, Savannah, Ga. two brothers, Mr. J. H. Benton, New York, N.Y., Mr. Willie Benton, Baxley, Ga.; 4 Sisters-in-law, 4 Brothers-in-law, a number of Neices, Nephews, other relatives and a host of friends.

## P O E M

Why would he want to live always, away from his God,  
Away from your heaven, that blissful abode,  
Where rivers of pleasure flow bright o'er the plains,  
And the noon-tide of glory eternally reigns?"  
Where saints of all ages in harmony meet,  
Their Saviour, and brethern transported to greet;  
While anthems of rapture uncessingly roll,  
And the smile of the Lord is a feast of the soul."