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Funeral Services
for



BROTHER JOSEPH EDWARDS

Tuesday, May 16, 1989 - 3:00 p.m.

Simmons Branch Baptist Church

Dover, Georgia

Rev. Joe Herrington, Pastor

Rev. Harvey Burns, Officiating

Burial - Church Cemetery



Another Service By James R. Barnes Mortuary, Statesboro, Ga.

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Obituary

Brother Joseph Edwards was born in Bulloch County, Georgia on September 31, 1925. He departed this life on May 11, 1989, after a long illness.

Mr. Edwards was a member of the Second St. John Baptist Church, where he joined at an early age, and served until his health failed.

He leaves to cherish his memory, a loving wife, Mrs. Ethel Mae Edwards of Statesboro, Ga.; seven daughters, Mrs. Willie Mae Ballard of Miami, Fla., Mrs. Blondie Joyce, Mrs. Annie Lee Holly, Mrs. Joann Allen, Mrs. Annie Ree Mikell, Ms. Shirley Edwards, Ms. Reatha M. Lester, all of Statesboro, Ga.; five sons, Mr. Billy Edwards, Mr. Larry Edwards, Mr. Lumar Edwards, Mr. Willie Ray Edwards, Mr. James Edward Lee, all of Statesboro, Ga.; one brother, Mr. Bill Edwards of Seattle Wash.; one sister, Mrs. Quilla Mae Brown of Miami, Fla.; three daughters-in-law, Tonya Edwards, Minnie Edwards, Lisa Edwards, all of Statesboro, Ga.; five sons-in-law, Garfield Joyce, Sr., David Holly, Henry Allen, Sonny Mikell, all of Statesboro, Ga., James Ballard of Miami, Fla.; one aunt and uncle, Mrs. Azaline Taylor and Mr. Queenester Edwards, all of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; 21 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren, several cousins, nieces, nephews and a host of relatives and friends.

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*Your life was like a candle light
So pure so brief, but oh so bright
With beams of love you fill each heart
And made it hard for us to part.*

*We miss your voice, your sweet embrace
Your precious smile, your angel face
Our hearts are sad, but this we know
When God called, you had to go.*

*God need you in Heaven above
To teach His angels how to love,
He freed your soul, now it can rise
To lead the angels in paradise.*

Order of Service

- PROCESSIONAL
- SELECTION James R. Barnes Choir
- OLD TESTAMENT Rev. Joe Herrington
- NEW TESTAMENT Rev. Harvey Burns
- PRAYER Rev. Joe Herrington
- SOLO Sis. Melissa Bennett
- REMARKS
 - AS A CHURCH WORKER Dea. Chapman
 - AS A NEIGHBOR
- SELECTION James R. Barnes Choir
- ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND
 - OBITUARY Sis. Geraldine Allen
- EULOGY Rev. Harvey Burns
- VIEWING
- RECESSIONAL
- INTERMENT Simmons Branch, Dover, Georgia

Honorary Pallbearers

Deacons of the Church of
Second St. John and Simmons Branch Baptist Churches

Active Pallbearers

Garfield Joyce, Jr.	Tony Holly
Charles Edward Joyce	Eugene Natson, Jr.
Rodney Hill	Arthur Ervin
Sam Reese	

Floral Attendants

Roberta Boyd	Elizabeth Russell
Martha Carter	Sonya Carter
Annie Johnson	Lessie Brown

The family would like to express their sincere appreciation to each and everyone for your loving support during our time of bereavement. May God bless each of you.