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**Funeral Services
for**



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Sister Mary Etta Mercer

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 1991
3:30 P.M.**

**SAM'S CREEK MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Metter, GA**

BURIAL - CHURCH CEMETERY



Whitaker Funeral Home, Metter, Ga. in Charge of Arrangements

Obituary

Sister Mary Etta Scott Mercer was born to the parentage of the late Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Scott on January 15, 1911 in the state of South Carolina.

At an early age she moved with her family to Bulloch County Georgia where she attended the public schools.

Later, she migrated to the state of New Jersey where she worked as a domestic. She joined the New Zion Missionary Baptist Church where she served on the Usher Board. After meeting and marrying the late Themuel Mercer in 1953 - they lived at 66 Hartford Street for many years. After retirement in 1974 - they moved south to Homestead, Florida where she affiliated herself with the Greater Williams Freewill Chapel Baptist Church as an usher.

A short stay would have them return to Portal, Georgia in 1976. Upon her return, she united with the Sam's Creek Missionary Baptist Church near Metter. Several years later they moved to Pulaski, Georgia where she lived until her husbands untimely death in June 1986, when she moved to Metter.

After a debilitating stroke in January 1988, she entered the Pleasant View Health Care Facility where she resided until her passing.

As a member of Sam's Creek, she served faithfully on the Deaconess and Mother Board and Mission before her health forced her into inactive status. She was also a member of the Socialite Club of Bulloch County.

She leaves to mourn her passing the following loved ones: two foster-daughters: Ms. Linda Harvey and Ms. Quincy Cooper both of New Jersey; two sisters: Mrs. Ida "Lou" Hankerson of Homestead, Florida and Ms. Elizabeth Whitfield of Statesboro, Georgia; seven sisters-in-law: Mrs. Olivia Douglas and Mrs. Eula Bivens of Colonia, New Jersey, Ms. Ceola Mercer of Newark, New Jersey, Mrs. Precious Campbell of Pompano Beach, Florida, Mrs. Alma Donaldson of Portal, Georgia and Mrs. Thelma Byrd of Metter, Georgia; many foster grands, nieces, nephews, other relatives and a host of loving friends.

***There's an open gate
At the end of the road
Through which each must go alone.
And there is light we cannot see
Our Father claims His own.
Beyond the gate our loved one
Finds happiness and rest
And there is comfort in the thought
That when God knows best***

Order of Service

Master of Ceremony..... Elder James Johnson, Jr.
Processional
Song..... Choir
Prayer
Scripture
Song..... Choir
Remarks
As Her Deacon.. Deacon William E. George, Jr.
Solo..... Kimberly Coleman
Poem..... Joy West
Moments of Reflection..... (Obituary Read Silent)
Acknowledgements..... Elonda Byrd
Song..... Choir
Eulogy..... Rev. Robert L. Stephens, Former Pastor
Viewing
Recessional



Active Pallbearers

Dale Byrd
Rodney West
Gregory Mainer

Lindsay Byrd
J. A. Byrd
Cecil Lynn Meridy

Honorary Pallbearers

Deacons of Sams Creek Church

Acknowledgements

The family wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for all acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy extended to them during their bereavement. May God bless each of you.