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 OF THE  
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 ASSOCIATION



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## RAYMOND THOMAS

Raymond Thomas was born May 28, 1919, to Monroe and Nan Thomas in Pinetop, Kentucky. He passed from this life on August 11, 1978. He was married to Lois Sturgill, and unto this union were born two daughters, Debi and Dena, both of Dayton, Ohio, and one grandchild, Shannon McCormic.

His passing was sudden, and by many indications, we believe that he felt he might be nearing the end. We know he believed in God, for he was reading the Bible. And we believe a praying man, "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled." We believe by the life he lived, Raymond exchanged a life of misery and strife, to a life of joy and peace.

I, the writer, worked with Raymond, and many times he would come talk to me about the Lord and the church. Raymond was always a quiet, peaceful man. His na was na and his yea was yea.

He leaves to mourn, his wife, Sister Lois, two daughters, one grandchild, seven brothers, six sisters. One brother preceded him in death.

Children, mommy and daddy were prepared to meet Jesus and I know they want you to meet them in a better place than this troublesome world. Flowers are beautiful, they live, they fade, and they die, but memories live forever.

Elder Melvin Watts



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# PROCEEDINGS

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## FRIDAY SESSION

As clouds of white, drifted to and fro in the clear blue sky and the bright sunshine began to appear, causing one to realize that God was still on the throne, we were blessed to see the dawn of another day. As the Brothers and Sisters, many friends and acquaintances of Old Regular Baptist faith began to assemble in this large industrial city, for the twenty-second annual session of the Northern New Salem Association, one was reminded of the followers of Jesus, when they went up to Jerusalem to worship. As they began to mingle their voices together, in singing the inspiring songs of Zion, one could feel the love of God and the moving of the spirit, driving out all fear, that nothing but peace would abound in our assembly.

Elder Walter Mullins in a very humble spirit with much fear introduced the services. Saying that Jesus was the only healer for a sin-sick soul. That our God is strong and that we, his children are kept by his power. Bro. Mullins led in a very humble prayer.

Approaching the stand in a very humble spirit to deliver the introductory sermon, was Elder Johnie Bentley, being chosen at our 1978 session. The spirit soon drove out all nature and with tear dimmed eyes Bro. Bentley began to preach how men and women ought to live so as to be a light to the world. So the world of unsaved men and women can see what the Old Church stands for through we who profess to be Christians. He admonished one and all to live our lives so the world will have confidence in us, be good to each other, help one another and above all let God be our leader.

After the introductory sermon was delivered our beloved Moderator invited those who were not delegates to assemble at the tent that had been provided for the preaching services and those who were delegates to remain in the house where the business of the Association was to be conducted.

The delegates thus assembled, Elder Karrel Addington, Union Association, was called on to make remarks. His remarks were brief, but yet very heart warming, after which Elder Grover Adkins, New Salem Association, led in prayer.

After brief remarks from Elder Baxter Osborne, our beloved Moderator, the Association proceeded to do business as follows:

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 3, 1979

1. The moderator called for the letters from the churches that compose the Northern New Salem Association to be handed into the

## SHERIDAN TACKETT

With the help of God and a broken heart, I'll try to write an obituary of my Dad, Sheridan Tackett. He was born August 18, 1896 in Honaker, Kentucky, and died October 23, 1978 making his stay on earth 83 years, 2 months, 5 days.

He was the son of Green and Ruthie (Newsome) Tackett. He married Sarah Hall at Harold, Kentucky, in 1911, and into this union were born 13 children. Two preceded him in death, an infant boy and a daughter.

Survivors besides his wife are two daughters, Mrs. Sola Williams of Printer, Kentucky, and Mrs. Gertie Bolen of Kendallville, Indiana. Nine Sons, Charlie Tackett, Louisville, Kentucky, Walker Tackett, Joe Tackett, Lee Tackett, and Earl Tackett, all of Kendallville, Indiana, Robert Tackett, Springfield, Ohio, Ray Tackett, Phoenix, Arizona, Garrett Tackett, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and Freel Tackett, Ecorse, Michigan.

He had 59 Grandchildren, and a host of Friends and Neighbors to mourn his loss.

Daddy was a retired coal miner. Daddy lived with my husband and me for the past two years of his life. He was very sick but was a darling to take care of. I loved taking care of him. He lived a good and faithful life having joined the Old Regular Baptist Church in 1966 at the Little Dove Church. He helped me sing the good old songs of Zion, and we praised the good Lord together.

I miss Dad and loved him so much, but he wanted to go home so much God blessed him so wonderful while here on earth. I could go on and on about my wonderful daddy but it would take the rest of my life to tell just what a sweet and wonderful dad I had.

I want to say to daddy's children who are still wandering in sin, to please leave the world of sin and get ready to meet daddy again.

I feel with all my heart I will see him again, so children get ready and let us all go home together. I wish I had time to go on, and on, but space won't permit it. So God Bless you all.

Written by his broken-Hearted Daughter  
and Sister in Hope,  
Gertie Bolen





William, and Earl, and five daughters, Mary Etta Burke, Ethel Marie Burke, Jacquelin Brewer, Janice Rhymes and Barbara Broughton, and thirty-nine grandchildren and thirty great grandchildren.

Also surviving are one brother Jesse and two sisters, Maggie Jackson and Tellie Posie, together with a great host of friends and relatives to mourn the loss of one so beloved.

We became acquainted many years ago and he was like a natural brother to me. He joined the South Fork Church in March 1946 and we have worked side by side these many years. The Little Jewel Church was organized in his home in 1946. He was in the arm given from the South Fork Church. He was elected clerk and treasurer the same day and served the church very faithfully until his death. He was very diligent with his work, always being very careful with his work both as clerk and treasurer. He donated the ground for the Little Jewel Church house and worked many days helping to build the house and repair and care for it. He didn't wait to be called when work was needed. He was always the one to see what needed to be done and doing it without question. Everyone especially his family could see how dearly he loved the church.

He was a loving husband and father, working hard to provide the things that families need. I know they will miss him very much and long to go home and sit down and talk with him and ask his advice on many things.

The Little Jewel Church will miss his cheerful smile and soft voice. How we will all miss him but we are sure that he has gone to a far more beautiful country, where no heartaches and tears will ever come.

So, children, remember how he loved you, and try to find the path that daddy walked in, and if you find it and follow in his tracks, we are sure you will see him again some day.

To his loving companion, you will see many lonely hours but the sweet memories will help you through the sad days and Jesus is always standing somewhere in the shadows to help you climb the great high mountain and when you get to the top, Bro. Alonzo will be waiting for you.

To his brother and sisters, stay close together as a family and to the ones who haven't found Jesus, find Him and learn to lean on Him. To the Little Jewel Church, be faithful, climb upward, the top is in view. We will see his smiling face again some day. To his grandchildren who he loved so dearly, if you ever want to see Papaw again, then get acquainted with his God and get in the path that he traveled for it leads to the heavenly place where he has gone, and we are sure that he has gone to be with God for he told his loving wife just a few days before he went away, that he was ready to go.

The country, the community, the home and the church were made better because Bro. Alonzo Tackett passed this way.

Written by his pastor, Elder Baxter Osborne and his wife Dorothy

Dear brother you have left us and our hearts are so sad.  
But some day in Heaven we will meet and be glad.  
As father and husband, the memories too, are dear,  
But some day we'll be together in Heaven so fair.  
Gone but not forgotten, your face we can't see,  
But dear to our memory you ever will be.

Clerk. On motion and second, the letter from the Little Ida Church was read by the Clerk, and found in order. After the letter from the Little Ida Church was read by the Clerk, a motion and second was made to receive all the letters and seat the delegates. By the same motion all queries and requests were referred to the committee on arrangements.

2. The Northern New Salem Association of Old Regular Baptist faith organized by electing the following officers to serve for the next 12 months:

|                       |                     |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Elder Baxter Osborne  | Moderator           |
| Elder Roy Caudill     | Assistant Moderator |
| Elder Hillard Newsome | Clerk               |
| Bro. C.W. Turner      | Assistant Clerk     |

(a.) Noted by the Association, concerning our finance committee, and was moved and second that our finance committee be appointed at the same time of the election of officers.

3. On motion and second, the Moderator was authorized to make all temporary appointments.

4. On motion and second, the Constitution, Articles of Faith and Rules of Decorum were not read, and a letter written in 1955 by Elder Ballard Baker, Moderator of the Union Association was read by the Assistant Clerk.

5. Called for legally constituted churches of our same faith and order desiring to join our union and none responded.

6. Called for Associations of our same faith and order desiring to continue a Godly correspondence, and the following responded:

(a.) NEW SALEM — Represented by the following delegates: Jimmy Sowards, Offie Bartley, Grover Adkins, Eales Catton, Cleatis Messer, Able Johnson, Windell Hamilton, Hobart Hamilton, Sam Justice and Charles Ramey. Motion and second were made to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council, they were given the right hand of fellowship.

(b.) UNION — Represented by the following delegates: Karrel Addington, Frank Newsome, Arvid Blevins, Raymond Mullins, J.H. Mitchell, John Johnson, Jesse Vers, Loyd Mullins, Paul McClanahan, Bill Maples, William C. Rose, Vern Elkins, Pride-more Viers, Roger Clevinger, Rans Clevinger, Gean Johnson, Palmer Hamilton, Oscar Chethem, Noble Mullins, Gary Sanders, Charlie Johnson, Jerry Coleman and Lonnie Mounts. Motion and second were made to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council, they were given the right hand of fellowship.

(c.) PHILADELPHIA — Represented by the following delegates: Bill Bartley, Douglas Colegrove, Paul Boggs, Lowell Adkins, Harlan Barney, Chester Allen, Willis Tolliver, W.E. Elkins, Jack Adkins and L.W. Woods. Motion and second were made to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council, they were given the right hand of fellowship.

(d.) SARDIS — Represented by the following delegates: Edwin Hay, Clyde Brown, Emerson Jarrell and Monroe Onsley, motion and second were made to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council, they were given the right hand of fellowship.

(e.) INDIAN BOTTOM — Represented by the following delegates: J. Nelson Seals, Ivan Amburgey, Glen Hampton, Elwood Carnett and Dwight Amburgey. Motion and second were made to



receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council, they were given the right hand of fellowship.

(f.) MUD RIVER — Represented by the following delegates: Eld. Luther Ball Jr. Motion and second were made to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council, they were given the right hand of fellowship.

(g.) OLD FRIENDSHIP — Represented by the following delegates: Lacy Justice, David Lester, Hays Hatfield, Elzie Reed, Wayne Bryant, Lenord Coleman, Danny Hurley and Orville Street. Motion and second was made to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council, they were given the right hand of fellowship.

New associations of our same faith and order, desiring to take up correspondence with us were called for and none responded.

7. The Moderator appointed a committee consisting of three delegates from the Little Ida Church, together with one delegate from each of the other churches, to arrange the ministry for Friday evening and Saturday, who reported as follows: for Friday evening, Elders: David Lester, OLD FRIENDSHIP; Elwood Coronett, INDIAN BOTTOM; Grover Adkins, NEW SALEM.

For Saturday morning:

Elders: Charlie Johnson, UNION; Luther Ball Jr., MUD RIVER; Paul McClannahan, UNION; Ivan Amburgey, INDIAN BOTTOM.

8. Called for transient ministers and members of our same faith and order, and the following responded: Hiram Adkins, Roy Caudill and Jesse Bryant.

9. By motion and second, the Northern New Salem Association agreed to correspond with the following Association by letter and delegates; (a) NEW SALEM, (b) UNION, (c) PHILADELPHIA, (d) SARDIS, (e) INDIAN BOTTOM, (f) MUD RIVER and (g) OLD FRIENDSHIP.

10. Appointed a committee to arrange the agenda for Saturday consisting of one delegate from each church, together with the officers of the Northern New Salem Association. Committee to meet back at the house at 3:00 p.m. Friday evening.

(a.) By a motion and second the Association adjourned until 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning.

(b.) Committee met pursuant to adjournment Friday noon and completed its work on the bill of arrangements. Friday's session was opened by Elder David Lester, Old Friendship. After brief remarks, he led in prayer. Second was Elder Elwood Coronett, Indian Bottom. Elder Grover Adkins, New Salem, closed the services for the evening.

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, 1979

The delegates met pursuant to adjournment Friday evening, greeting each other with a gentle handshake a smile of love and a kind good morning. After singing several of the songs of heaven sweet heaven, Elder Ralph Caudill, Northern New Salem Association in a very meek and humble spirit introduced the services and offered prayer, which surely reached the high hills of heaven and caused the holy Father to take notice of His believing children.

#### ADA SLONE

Ada Slone was born February 23, 1897. She departed this life December 24, 1978, making her stay here on earth 81 years, 9 months and 24 days. She was the daughter of Aminda and Perry Slone.

Early in life she met this wonderful man Miles M. Slone who preceded her in death, on April 30, 1977. She married Miles in 1913, and unto this union were born 11 children; one preceded her in death, which leaves 10 still living. Camellus Slone of Tennessee, Myrtle Pratt of Michigan, Clyde Slone of Albany, Ohio, Marie Prater of Dundas, Ohio, Winston Slone of Kendalville, Indiana, Herman Slone of Missouri, Ruby Tiller of West Virginia, Ruth Pyck of Kendalville, Indiana, Miranda Slone of Dundas, Ohio and Bernard Slone of Auburn, Indiana, and one stepdaughter Brookie Tiller of Oak Hill, Ohio.

Mother has been a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church family for about 40 or 50 years. She was a hard working woman raising her children, she was so loving and kind to us all.

I am setting here in my home tonight so lonesome for my mother and dad. Miranda and mother made their home with my husband Melvin and me after dad died. Miranda and I took such good care of her with Melvin's help. I guess there wasn't anything we didn't try to do for her, and I thank the blessed Lord for giving us the strength to do for her and dad. She would want the brothers and sisters in the church to come and have services. They were sweet to us all in time of our sickness and death of our loving mother and dad. She has several grandchildren, and great-grandchildren who miss her very much.

She had her fellowship with Maggie Home Church in Dundas, Ohio. I feel like I will meet them both in that beautiful home around the throne of God. I walk and talk with them in my dreams at night. There is just no way of putting on paper how much I loved my mother and dad, only God knows my heart.

Written by her broken-hearted daughters:  
Marie Prater and Miranda Slone



#### ALONZO TACKETT

"Precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of His Saints"

By request of the family we have grown to love very dearly, we will try to write a short obituary of a dearly beloved brother in Christ to wit: Alonzo Tackett. Brother Alonzo was the son of the late George and Minta Tackett. He was born May 16, 1906 and entered the land of rest on Sept. 15, 1978.

On Dec. 20, 1923, he was united in marriage to Eldora Walker Tackett and they enjoyed a very happy life together. Their home was blessed with 9 lovely children. One son, Bobby Lee died at birth.

Left to mourn his passing are three sons, Jesse,





not a person in Knott County who knew her who didn't love her. My Dad died February 9, 1936, five months before I was born, leaving my mom with all of us. When I got older, I could hear her crying at night. I would ask her what was wrong and she would say nothing, that she was praying to God to save her soul, to let her live to raise her children, and die quickly. All of her children outlived her. The good Lord answered her prayers. She told my husband, Clyde, that God has saved her and that she was ready to go home when God was ready for her. She died three minutes after she suffered a heart attack. I was the youngest and I was 26 years old when she died. Three children died since Mommie, Mandy, Diamous, and Willie. She didn't have to give up any of her children, it would have broken her heart. Mom loved us all so much, she worked so hard to raise all of us, she never joined the church, but she went to church when she could, and I believe with all my heart she is resting in peace. I remember she used to take the older children to hoe corn for other people because she knew they would have dinner and supper and leave what food she had for the smaller ones. We were raised very poor, but we had a rich Mother. She didn't have enough for the family, but she always divided with her neighbors. She walked all the way from the head of Lower Mill Creek to Hindnan to work and then walked back at night home. I am so thankful that I had such a great Mom. She has been dead 16½ years and there aren't many days go by that I don't think of her. I am sure that the other children love her and miss her just as much as I do. But to all of the children if they ever want to see her they will have to repent. Jesus can save all of you if you will only ask Him. He loves you. He took Momie from this old troublesome world to a better home. I could write a book on all the good things she has done. But space won't permit. So I beg each one of her children to pray and ask God to save your Soul and meet Momie again someday.

Written by her youngest daughter  
Hasanell Blankenship

#### In Memory of Mother

Momie I remember all the times you went without food and clothes so we could have some; the times you were sick but kept on going; the times we were sick and you took care of us; the times you were happy; the times you were sad; the good advice you gave us. You always gave and didn't take anything in return. Momie, I wish every child in this world had a Mother like you. Your memory will go on as long as you have a relative living.

Business then proceeded as follows:

1. Called the roll of delegates and marked the absentees. By a motion and second the committee on arrangements was discharged.
2. The Clerk read the bill of arrangements. By motion and second the bill of arrangements was received.
3. The Circular Letter written by Elder Joshua Hicks for our 1979 session was read by the Clerk, due to the absence of Bro. Hicks. By motion and second the letter was received. By motion and second Elder Ray Hamilton is to write a circular letter, subject to approval at our 1980 session.
4. Appointed a committee on finance as follows: Elders Walter Mullins, Forest Osborne and Hiram Adkins. They reported money received as follows:

|                                     |            |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Church Contributions 1979 .....     | \$2,895.00 |
| Picture Contributions .....         | 350.00     |
| Congregation Contributions .....    | 548.39     |
| Total money received for 1979 ..... | \$3,793.39 |

By motion and second the finance committee was discharged from their duties.

5. The Moderator called for the treasurer to report. He reported as follows:

|                                     |            |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance in bank Aug. 1, 1978 .....  | \$ 784.96  |
| Church Contributions 1978 .....     | 2,390.00   |
| Picture Contributions 1978 .....    | 290.00     |
| Total money on hand Aug. 1978 ..... | \$3,464.96 |

#### Expenses for 1978

|                              |            |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Printer's fee .....          | \$2,845.00 |
| Secretary's fee .....        | 200.00     |
| Brief case .....             | 37.77      |
| Secretary supplies .....     | 6.36       |
| Total expense for 1978 ..... | \$3,089.13 |

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Total money on hand Aug. 5, 1978 ..... | \$3,464.96 |
| Less 1978 expenses of .....            | 3,089.13   |
| Balance for Aug. 1, 1979 .....         | \$ 375.83  |

6. By motion and second the treasurer's report was accepted. By the same motion Elder Hillard Newsome was appointed recording secretary. He is to have 5,000 copies of the current minutes printed and distributed among the churches according to their contributions. The secretary is to receive \$200.00 for his services. Printer's fee is to appear on the front cover.

7. By motion and second, obituaries of deceased members and friends of the Northern New Salem Association are to appear in these minutes. They are to be typewritten and double spaced. A charge of \$10.00 for pictures was approved by the delegates.

8. The committee on ministry chose the following Elders to preach Saturday evening and Sunday: Saturday evening; I. Elder J.



Nelson Seals, Indian Bottom; 2. Elder Roy Caudill, Northern New Salem; and 3. Elder Paul Adkins, Northern New Salem. Sunday morning; 1. Elder Hillard Newsome, Northern New Salem; 2. Elder Able Johnson, New Salem; 3. Elder Paris Tackitt, Northern New Salem; 4. Elder Buddy W. Carty, Northern New Salem and 5. Elder Baxter Osborne, Northern New Salem.

9. Called on brethren who agreed to attend union meetings and Associations last year to make their report. Motion and second were made to receive their report and excuse them for their failures.

**NEW SALEM** — when convened with the following churches that agreed to host the Association being held in the permanent Association building, Minnie, Floyd Co., Ky. Beginning on Friday, before the fourth Saturday in September, 1979 and continuing the two following days. Names of the hosting churches: Pilgrims Home, Samaria, Joppa, Pilgrims Rest and Little Nancy. Delegates to attend: Albert Hamilton, Walk Sturgell, Tennis Sturgell, Ray Hamilton, Johnny Bentley, Squire H. Watts, Ed Sheperd, Sam Lewis, Jimmy Parks, Ballard Brown, Harold Senters, Paul Parsons, Don Lawson, Howard Parsley, Ramon Stapelton, Web Hopkins, Ernest Prater, John Mullins, Russell Newsome, Emmitt Tackett, Donald Workman, Roger Hamelton, Hezekiah Osburn, Burl Stevens, Walter Parker, Donald Mullins, James Branham, Buck Tuttle, Euel Ratliff, W.P. Deel, Paul Adkins and Hillard Newsome. Letter in the hands of Elder Baxter Osborne.

**UNION** — when convened with the Little Martha Church, Le-master, Buchanan Co., Va. Beginning on Friday before the third Saturday in September, 1979 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Albert Hamilton, Walk Sturgell, Ray Hamilton, Web Hopkins, John Mullins, Hezekiah Osburn, Burl Stevens, Walter Parker and W.P. Deel. Letter in the hands of John Mullins.

**PHILADELPHIA** — when convened with the New Mt. Olive Church. Beginning on Friday before the second Saturday in August, 1979 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Don C. Lawson, Howard Parsley, Raymond Stapleton, Ed Shephard, Don Mullins, John Mullins, W.P. Deel and Baxter Osborne. Letter in the hands of Baxter Osborne.

**SARDIS** — when convened with the Mt. Pleasant Church, Sidney, Pike Co., Ky. Beginning on Friday before the second Saturday in September, 1979 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Glen Maddox, Eugene Robinette, Squire H. Watts, Roger Hamilton, Donald L. Workman, John Mullins, Paul Adkins and Hillard Newsome. Letter in the hands of John Mullins.

**INDIAN BOTTOM** — when convened at the permanent building, Sassafras, Knott Co., Ky. Beginning on Friday before the first Saturday in September, 1979 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Squire H. Watts, Jimmy Parks, Sam Lewis, Hezekiah Osburn, Burl Stevens, Euel Ratliff and C.W. Turner. Letter in the hands of Squire H. Watts.

Mother joined the Old Regular Baptist Church where she lived a faithful member for about 77 years.

All of her children preceded her in death but two.

Mother was loved by all who knew her. She also had a host of friends to mourn her loss, but we all feel that our loss is heaven's gain.

Mother raised two families of her own and 2 families of grandchildren. She labored hard in this life, but she is resting in peace now that she waited so long for. Many heartaches and pains she suffered. She saw 3 sons and a son-in-law lying in death at the same time. This is only a little of the sorrow she saw in this life, but this is over now. We feel that mother is resting until the Lord redeems her frail body.

Rest on, Mom. I hope by the grace of God to see you again on that eternal shore.

Written by Ruth Bausman with help by Brother Mack Adkins.

## HARVEY RATLIFF

With the help of God I will try to write an obituary of my dear brother, Harvey Ratliff. He was born July 15, 1945 and deceased this life November 20, 1969. Leaving to mourn his loss, his wife Rebel, 1 daughter, Martha, 2 sons, LeeRoy and Dale, his mother Ellie Ratliff, 10 brothers, 5 sisters.

Harvey was born in Pike County, Kentucky, and lived there at the time of his death. His father, Columbus Ratliff preceded him in death. His mother and most of his family now reside in Akron, Ohio.

We hope by the grace of God we will meet Harvey in a better land where there will be no more death.

Written by his brother, Ray Ratliff.



## IBBY SPARKMAN SHORT

By the help of our Lord, and treasured memories, I will try to write an obituary of the most wonderful and beautiful Mother. She was born to Wesley Sparkman and Polly Ann Sparkman on February 14, 1899. She departed this life December 18, 1962.

She was married to Hasadora Short and to this union were born 14 children, Canzillia, Tivis, Polly, Diamous, Manda, Chery, Henery, Willie, Anna Lou, Joan, Myrtle, Wesley, Dora, Hasanell, Mitchel, her stepson whom she raised and loved as her own child. She had about 56 grandchildren and several great grandchildren. Momie was loved by everyone who knew her. She delivered almost all of her grandchildren; and as a midwife, she delivered a lot of other children in Knott County. There is





## EMMA JEAN RAMEY

With a sad and aching heart, we will try to write the obituary of our wife and Mother, Emma Jean Ramey.

She was the daughter of Thomas Jefferson Adkins and Julie Paris (Clark) Adkins. She was born in Lincoln County, West Virginia on September 21, 1897 and died April 10, 1979, making her stay here on earth 81 years, 6 months and 20 days.

In her early years she married Charley Ramey on May 16, 1923. They were married 55 years, 10 months and 25 days. To this union were born eight children; and one son preceded her in death. She leaves her husband and seven children: two sons, Raymond W. Ramey of Springfield, Ohio and Alvin Ramey of Berthoud, Colorado; five daughters, Mildred Yates of Columbus, Ohio, Ruth Frances Davis of Columbus, Ohio, Eva Ramey of the home, Dolly Adlene Bey of Columbus, Ohio and Verda Rose Muench of Shelby, North Carolina. She also leaves 12 Grandchildren and four Great Grandchildren. She leaves 1 sister, Eva Cleveland, of California.

She loved for the Church people to come to have Church at her home. She was sick for many years.

We have hope Mother is in Heaven. She was a "Shining Star" to her children. We miss you Mother. We loved you. Our loss is Heaven's gain, we hope.

She joined the Church at home and was baptized in the Ohio River at Kenova, West Virginia on August 9, 1942 by Brother C. C. Cole and Brother R. A. Damron.

She got her letter from Bethany Church at Kenova, West Virginia and came to Little Angel Church at Gahanna, Ohio.

Written by,  
Her Husband, Charley Ramey  
and  
Daughter, Eva Ramey



## MARY RAMSEY

With much sadness, but fond memories, I will try to write an obituary of our dear mother, Sister Mary Ramsey.

Mother was born Feb. 22, 1880 and deceased this life July 9, 1979 making her stay here on earth 99 years. Mother was married to Grant Kinney. To this union were born 3 children. Ollie Kinney, Roxie Robinson, and Willard Kinney. Both girls preceded her in death. Mother later married Mose Ramsey, to this union were born eight children. Rose, Harrison, Crate, Walter, Louise Prater, Ruth Bausman. She also had 52 Grandchildren, 23 Great Grandchildren.



MUD RIVER — when convened with the Little Laurel Church, Myra, Lincoln Co., W.Va. Beginning on Friday before the fourth Saturday in August, 1979 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Hezekiah Osburn and Burl Stevens. Letter in the hands of Hezekiah Osburn.

OLD FRIENDSHIP — when convened with the Pine Grove Church, Hurley, Va. Beginning on Friday before the fourth Saturday in August, 1979 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Roy Caudill. Letter in the hands of same.

10. By a motion and second the request of the Family of Love Church was granted. Concerning article #5 of our Rules of Decorum to read as follows: He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect on the person who has spoke so as to make remarks on his slips of imperfections, but shall fairly state the cause as nearly as he can so as to convey his ideas.

11. A motion and second was made that we as an advisory council, advise the Little Zion Church to abide by the advice given in our 1971 minutes, item #13.

(a.) By a motion and second any church in our Association was given the right to take Bro. Hillard Proffitt under their watchcare for one year, and the church receiving Bro. Proffitt send a request to the Association in 1980 concerning his membership. Bro. Proffitt is to attend our 1980 session and have his credentials approved by the Association.

12. By a motion and second the Little Ida Church was granted permission to install a sound system in said church.

13. By a motion and second the requests from the Little Rebecca and Maggie Home churches, requesting the Association to adopt a resolution against members of our churches belonging to secret orders such as Masons, Odd Fellows or any other related worldly organization that is an offense to our sister associations as well as our own brethren. Request was granted, an objection was made. A vote was taken. A large majority voted to grant request.

14. It was moved and seconded that our next session of our beloved Association be held with the Little Angel Church, Columbus, Ohio, to begin on Friday before the first Saturday in August, 1980 and continuing the two following days. Our beloved Brothers and Sisters of the following churches, Little Ruth Maggie Home, Family of Love and Little Flock agreed to assist the Little Angel Church in this great work.

15. The request from the Little Ida Church, expressing their desire that they become the permanent location to host the Association, was read by the Clerk. By a motion and second the Moderator appointed a committee of the following brethren, Walter Mullins, Roy Caudill, Hiram Adkins, Ralph Caudill, Ballard Brown, Buddy W. Carty and Claude Ousley, to determine the best suited location for a permanent place and to report back at our 1980 session.

16. It was moved and seconded in answer to the request of the Little Angel Church as answered in item #14 above, that our next session be held with the Little Angel Church, Columbus, Ohio.

17. It was moved and seconded that Elder Hillard Newsome is to



preach the introductory sermon at the 1980 Session of our Association and Elder Maynard Ratliff is to be his alternate.

18. By a motion and second it was agreed to omit the reading of the current minutes.

19. By a motion and second the Association agreed to adjourn to the time and place mentioned in the 14th item.

The Twenty-second Session of this blessed old Association was closed by Elder Forest Osborne, who begged the brethren to live in peace and to continue to strive for the good old way. That love and peace may abound with each other, until we are blessed to meet again next year. If not here, in the land of promise, where we shall never have to take the parting hand. Prayer by same.

Done and signed by the officers of the Association.

Elder Baxter Osborne, Moderator,  
Elder Roy Caudill, Assistant Moderator,  
Elder Hillard Newsome, Clerk,  
Bro. C.W. Turner, Assistant Clerk.

### SABBATH MORNING AUGUST 5, 1979

Being blessed by the mercies of God to awaken from a night of peaceful sleep, to the dawn of another beautiful morning. Gathering out to the house of the Lord to worship the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. As the Little Ida Church, being large in size, began to fill it's seats with pilgrims, both young and old, from different parts of this great land. As they began to sing the songs of Zion, one soon forgot the many miles one had to travel to reach the place we call home here, yet brightening up our prospect for that home over Jordan, where we shall ever live to praise our master.

The services for the morning were introduced by your unworthy servant, Elder Hillard Newsome, Northern New Salem Association, who also led in prayer.

Elder Able Johnson, New Salem Association, was second on the stand.

Approaching the stand in a very meek child like spirit was Elder Buddy W. Carty, Northern New Salem Association, who was blessed to gather honey from the rock, causing the cups of God's hungry children to run over. Bro. Carty was well blessed to preach Christ to be the only way from earth to glory.

Elder Baxter Osborne, our well beloved and highly respected Moderator, approached the stand with a heart of love, began to read from the 10th chapter of Acts, verses 34, 35 and 36. "Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons; But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him." The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ: (He is Lord of all:). With the Holy Spirit Bro. Osborne was blessed to preach how God appointed unto us a kingdom that we may be able to eat and drink at God's table in His Kingdom. As a blessed old song was being sung one could see the sadness expressed here and there of taking the parting hand. Yet many praises went up to the Lord, thanking Him for the peace, happiness and fellowship we had enjoyed in this the 22nd annual session of this grand old Association. Going their separate ways, but yet not forgetting each other

last few years, his spirit has beared witness with my spirit, that I will be blessed to see him again in Heaven.

Many members ask God for another witness, Bro. Silas in a body broken by a stroke, his voice gone, would raise a trembling hand and point towards Heaven and cry a river of tears wanting to go to a home purchased by the blood of Jesus. All natural joy gone, he relied on the spirit to take him across the river of death. If you paid him a visit, you received your witness.

Elder Ellis Amburgey  
Bro. Wilmer Combs

### ANDY PRATER

Andy Prater was the son of S.M. Prater and Eliza Handshoe Prater, born March 24, 1980 in Floyd Co. Ky. departed this life June 24, 1978. Making his stay on earth 70 years and 3 months.

In early life he married Alice Reed, to this union 2 sons and 4 daughters were born. Andy C. of Willard, Oh., Mitchell of Winchester, Ky., Mrs. Robert (Lilia) Miller, Westchester, Ohio, Mrs. Aaron (Cilia) Halbrook of Willard, Ohio, Mrs. Ron (Violet) Cuny, Louisville, Ky., Mrs. Lee (Genva) McKinney of Shelby, Oh., 22 grandchildren, 3 great grandchildren, 2 step-children, Timothy Barton and Mrs. James (Dianna) Preston, five step-children all of Ashland, Ky., one sister Mrs. Creed (Dolly) Reed of Plymouth, Oh., 4 brothers, Corbett and Earl of Ky. and Russell and Willard James of Michigan.

After many years of hard work in the coal mines in Eastern Ky. Andy moved to Willard, Ohio, where he became a farmer and salesman for Cities Service Co.

In 1975 while visiting Geneva in Shelby, Alice had a heart attack and suddenly passed away.

Andy later married Edna Allen of Ashland, Ky. He joined the Old Regular Baptist Church in Oct. of 1975 at Greensprings, Ohio. His fellowship was with the Little Rebecca Church at Plymouth. He lived a good humble life but that dreadful disease cancer took him away from us. All during his illness he was in pain all the time, I took him to many doctors but they couldn't do much for him. I will never forget how good and humble he was and such a good companion.

We went to church long as he was able to go and he enjoyed the old time singing and preaching. He loved his children and always gave them good council. He was a wonderful husband and father; we will never forget his smile, his humble way and good advice. Although he is gone he will never be forgotten in our hearts.

Written by wife  
Edna A. Prater





## ELDON MULLINS

With much sadness I will try to write an obituary of my beloved uncle Eldon Mullins.

He was born August 9, 1905, the son of the late Henry Mullins and Angeline Adkins Mullins in the family of which 3 brothers and 3 sisters preceded him in death. Three sisters and 1 brother still living: Florence Zimmermann of Kentucky, Lawrence Mullins of Michigan, Mary Mullins and Martha Kendrick, both of McArthur, Ohio. He departed this life August 25, 1978, making his stay here on earth 73 years and 16 days. He was united in marriage to Myrtie Yates Mullins 52 years and she preceded him in death in 1968. Into this union were born 3 children: 1 daughter, Joan, 2 sons, Sylvan and Eugene preceded him in death in 1977. He remarried in 1971 to Virginia Harp with whom he stayed until his death.

Uncle Eldon did not belong to any church. I have had many talks with him about death and life here. Often he told me, "I believe in heaven, and my God understands me. I pray, but then I get weak and stray from it." My Uncle Eldon was a strong-willed man but in so many ways he was so weak. He had a problem, a disease in which he had no control over, but it is over now. I pray with all my heart he had time to call upon our Lord for mercy for our Lord has a strong hand to hold onto, for as in Adam all die even so in Christ shall all be made alive. So I say Uncle Eldon rest in peace, your pain is over and your book here on earth is closed.

Written by his niece, Ruth



## BRO. SILAS OUSLEY

In remembrance of a dear beloved brother in Christ, and by the request of his good companion, Sister Josie, I'll try to write an obituary of Silas Ousley. He was born August 8, 1904 at Dock, Ky. He passed away December 1, 1978. He was the son of Tom and Sarah Ousley. Survivors are his widow, Sister Josie Ousley, Springboro, Ohio, one son, Silas Jr. of Springboro, Ohio, one daughter, Alice May Martin of Franklin, Ohio, three granddaughters, one grandson, and two great grandchildren. He also leaves three brothers, Monroe of Okeechobee, Fla., Alonzo of Dayton, Ohio, and Newton of Franklin, Ohio, two sisters, Josie Ousley of Martin, Ky., Maudie Sloan of Martin, Ky.

Brother Silas belong to The House of Prayer Church of Old Regular Baptist in Dayton, Ohio. He was an inspiration to all of us at The House of Prayer Church. He seemed to enjoy himself so much in the Lord. Brother Silas suffered a stroke in 1968, and battled it until God called him home in December 1978. The family has lost a wonderful husband and father. The House of Prayer Church has lost a wonderful brother. So many times these



in their prayers, that we may be blessed to meet again, if not here, over in the glory land where we shall all dwell together forever.

Thus ended the Twenty-second Session of the Northern New Salem Association of Old Regular Baptist of Jesus Christ.

Your humble servant,  
Elder Hillard Newsome, Clerk

Words are inadequate to express to you the members and friends of the Little Ida Church as well as to the members and friends of our sister churches in that part of the moral vineyard. Who worked so hard to care for the many ones, that had traveled so far to attend this grand old Association. We found your doors open, your tables spread and your hearts eager to have someone stop by for a rest. Somewhere, sometime may God smile on each and everyone who was so considerate and helpful in this great work. May He ever bless you to hold up the cross of Jesus in that land.

Shall He ever bless the kind and gentle hands that prepared the delicious and wholesome food, we found so plentiful. Yet let us not forget all those who labored for it. We tender our thanks to the school board, for the use of the building, the peace officers and to one and all who gave a helping hand. God bless.

But most of all, let us thank God for that love and peace we found among the Brotherhood, and please children let it continue. Humbly,  
Bro. Newsome, Clerk

## CIRCULAR LETTER

My dearly beloved Brothers and Sisters of the Northern New Salem Association. You chose me in our last Association to write a circular letter for the 22nd session for your inspection.

After many prayers and much thought and study, I trust that I can meet this endeavor with your approval. I know there are many brethren who deserve this privilege more than I. And also more able, so I began this very humble, trusting the Spirit will guide me in a way that is well pleasing with the Lord.

I don't have a subject to write about, but as the apostle Peter wrote, he thought it was good to stir us up in our pure mind;

"Yea, I think it meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting you in remembrance; knowing that shortly I must put off this my tabernacle, even as our Lord Jesus Christ hath showed me. Moreover I will endeavour that ye may be able after my decease to have these things always in remembrance. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man; but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost."

So many times we hear someone say. "Oh, I love my brother," but then they go right on doing things they know wounds their brother's feelings. Here's the question, brethren; "Do they love their brother?"

As the apostle John wrote: "I have written into you, fathers, because ye have known Him that is from the beginning. I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one. Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man



## WONIE HALL

Wonie Hall was born September 29, 1898. She died November 13, 1978. Making her stay on earth 80 years, 1 month and 14 days. She was the daughter of the late Lee and Florence Hall. She grew up and in early age met Johnie Hall, son of James H. Hall and Rebecca Foutch. This couple was united in marriage on March 12, 1914. To this union 8 children were born. Seven children survive Wonie, 1 daughter died in infancy. Johnie and Wonie lived together 50 years and more, until death they did part. They lived 26 years in the Old Regular Baptist Church at Providence. They both joined the same day and were baptized at the hands of E. V. Hopkins and R. E. Holbrooks the first Sunday in October, 1938. Wonie was a member of the Ball Branch Old Regular Baptist Church. She had been a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church for forty years. She leaves to mourn her passing 2 sons: Hearld Hall of Lackey, Ky.; Homer Hall of Dayton, Ohio; and 5 daughters: Ada Martin of Dayton, Ohio; Zelda Tuttle of Kite, Ky.; Elva Watson of Pippa Passes, Ky.; Florence Dixon of Mousie, Ky.; and Noe Slone of Fletcher, Ohio. Four brothers: Lee Hall, Jeff Hall, Charlie Hall, John West "Doc" Hall and two sisters: Alice Maggard and Darkie Bates. 41 grandchildren and a host of great-great-grandchildren. Mommie often stated "I have been in this race since October 1, 1938. I see no place to turn back now, just looking on, I am looking for Jesus.



Mother has gone and left us.  
Many memories will remain,  
But we will try to meet over yonder,  
Where there will be no more pain.  
A precious one from us is gone,  
A voice we loved is still,  
A place is vacant in our home,  
Which never can be filled.

Written by her Broken-Hearted Daughter,  
Noe Slone and Family

## ISERAL HOLBROOK

With much sadness, but many precious memories, I will try to write the obituary of my loving father: Iseral Holbrook. He was born January 25, 1890 in Elliott County, his stay on Earth was 89 years 4 months and 9 days. He was the son of the late Corbin and Emily Stevens Holbrook. He married Loinda Holbrook, July 3, 1913, to this union were born 11 children. Six of them preceded him in death. Mother preceded him in death April 26, 1936. He leaves 3 daughters and two sons to mourn his loss. Goldie Stevens, Olive Hill, Ky.; Bertie Bailey, Hollywood, Fla.; Mable Stevens, Alliance, Ohio; Ray and Wayne Holbrook both of Olive



ARTICLE 10. The Moderator shall not interrupt or prohibit any member from speaking until he gives his light on any subject unless he violates the Rules of Decorum.

ARTICLE 11. The names of the members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called as often as the Association requires.

ARTICLE 12. The Moderator shall have the same right of speech as any other member, provided the chair be filled; and he shall have no right to vote unless the Association be equally divided, then he may give the deciding vote.

ARTICLE 13. Any member who shall willingly and knowingly violate any of the Decorum shall be reprovved by the Association as they think proper.

## UNION MEETINGS AND COMMUNION TIME MINISTERS CALLED FOR THE YEAR 1980 APRIL

HOUSE OF PRAYER — First Saturday and Sunday in April.  
Baxter Osborne, Woody Pack, Karrell Addington, Jess Viers,  
Buddy Carty. Communion Time — First Sunday in June.

PLEASANT VIEW — First Saturday and Sunday in April.  
Ronald Scott, Birtchel Mosley, Jr., Charley Johnson, Karrell  
Addington, Baxter Osborne, Ivan Amburgery, Frank Newsome,  
Ivory Soward. Communion Time — First Sunday in May.

ROSE OF SHARON — Second Saturday and Sunday in April.  
Hobert Hamilton, Abel Johnson, Buddy W. Carty, Hillard New-  
some, Tennis Sturgill, James Branham, Sam Franks, Anthony  
Hamilton. Communion Time — Second Sunday in May.

LITTLE JEWELL — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in April.  
Alex Collier, Stony Blackburn, Robert Haney, Garland Mullens,  
Ivan J. Amburgery, Birtchel Mosley Jr. Communion Time —  
Fourth Sunday in May.

## MAY

ANTIOCH — First Saturday and Sunday in May. Baxter  
Osborne, Hiram Adkins, Eddie Tackett, Elwood Cornett, Birtchel  
Mosley Jr., Buddy W. Carty. Communion Time — First Saturday  
and Sunday in October.

LITTLE IDA — First Saturday and Sunday in May. Baxter  
Osborne, Buddy W. Carty, Zee Holbrook, Woodrow Pack, Ershel  
Huff, Paris Tackitt, Jimmy Dye. Communion Time — First Sunday  
in June.



love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof; but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever."

We see many young and old people today following their stars, or should I say, "their Gods." They call them their idols, and that's exactly what they are. They want to look like them, they want to act like them, and they will spend fortunes, trying to learn about them, and sometimes we get them in the Church before they left their old Gods. The world is no part of the Church, brethren. The world gets membership with us, but they haven't got fellowship, and the Lord hasn't fixed a place in His Kingdom for the world to work. But they are spying out liberty.

If a person is a degenerate, and has never been regenerated, he is still a degenerate, and there is nothing that you or I can do to regenerate him or her, but they will have to take their case up with the Lord. He is the only who who can wash their souls in His blood, and regenerate them, and born them again. Jesus is the door into the Sheepfold, and they who climb up some other way, are thieves and robbers.

I would like to see this time of Earth, when every Old Regular Baptist member would follow Jesus with such **enthusiasm** as some of Elvis Presley, Mickey Mantle, or John Wayne followers have. And if you ever want your children and neighbors to take an interest in this Church, show them how close you can follow Jesus by being obedient to His testimonies, showing your love one to another as Jesus has shown us. By this He says, "All men shall know you are my disciples if you have love one toward another." This is the greatest of witnesses, and John said, "I am not that light, but I come to bear witness of that light that enlightens every one that cometh into the world. Who bears the witness except those that live it?"

Apostle Paul wrote to Corinth; "We are laborers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building. According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon. For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble; Every man's work shall be made manifest: For the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work, of what sort it is. If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire. Know ye not that ye are the temple of God; and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy, for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are. Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written; He taketh the wise in their own craftiness. And again, the Lord knoweth the thoughts of the wise, that they are vain. Therefore let no man glory in men; For all things are yours;"

days may be lonely, rest assured Jack is better off than us. His life's work ended, patiently waiting to go to where no sickness will ever be.

To his children and grandchildren, repent while time permits, and let not the circle be broken in Heaven of loved ones he loved so much. This world has nothing to offer except sorrows, but for those who want to serve God there's Life Eternal awaiting each of you. May God's Love surround you Sister Bertha, are our prayers.

Brother Ralph and Sister Leona Caudill

## MARTHA MOSLEY

It is with a sad heart, but fond memories that I write an obituary of my wife, Martha Mosley. She was the daughter of Bee Salisbury and Mary Warrens Salisbury. She was born at Hunter, Kentucky, December 18, 1919. Martha was 59 years old. She leaves one brother, Hillard Lykens, of Rittman, Ohio, and five sisters: Geneva Salisbury, Berniece Pack, and Alta Moore, all of Floyd County, Rose Salyers of Delphos, Ohio, and Gene Hatfield of Yippsilanti, Michigan. One sister, Anna O'Brien, is deceased.



Martha married Everett Mosley, the son of Jessie Mosley and Lizzie Jane Meade Mosley in Floyd County, on June 16, 1941. To this union, were born two children, a girl who was stillborn, and a boy, Everett Douglas Mosley of Rittman.

Martha never joined any church, but her faith in God was very strong. She loved the Pleasant View Church of Litchfield, Ohio, of Old Regular Baptist of Jesus Christ. We attended as regularly as she was able to go where I belong. She often said that was where her heart desired to go to church. She proved herself by the way she called upon the Lord and by the way she bore her sickness. The kind of woman she was, Martha was loved by church members and they considered her a sister, though she had not put her name on the churchbook. I believe her name is written in the Lamb's Book of Life in Heaven. I saw so many things good come out of her. She loved to read her Bible, and she asked me many questions about the meaning of some of the Bible. I have heard her pray so many times and tell me how much she enjoyed our meetings at church and the songs we sang at home. She can't come to me, but I can go to her with God's help.

I thank God for the many happy hours and years that we had together. She died at Wadsworth-Rittman Hospital, on January 6, at 9:30 p.m., about 1½ hours after we left her at the hospital. She will be buried in Rittman Cemetery, Tuesday, following our services today.

Written by her loving husband,  
Everett Mosley



MAGGIE HOME — First Saturday and Sunday in May. Russell Hicks, Sam Franks, Hiram Adkins, Johnie Newsome, Don Little, Savel Combs, Harold Senters. Communion Time — First Sunday in July.

LITTLE MEMORY — Second Saturday and Sunday in May. Ivan Amburgery, Stony Blackburn, Robert Haney, Melvin Watts, Hezekiah Osburn, I.D. Back, and moderator. Communion Time — Second Saturday and Sunday in June.

LILLY OF THE VALLEY — Second Saturday and Sunday in May. Stony Blackburn, Denver Mead, David Slone, Zee Holbrook, John Bentley, Jerry Hall, Walter Mullins. Communion Time — Second Sunday in June.

LITTLE RUTH — Second Saturday and Sunday in May. Russell Hicks, Buddy W. Carty, Loyd Ray, Joshua Hicks, Fon Bowling, Calvin Adkins. Communion Time — Second Saturday in June.

LITTLE ZION — Second Saturday and Sunday in May. Albert Hamilton, Charles Newsom, Stony Blackburn, Covis Tackett, Ralph Caudill. Communion Time — Second Sunday in June.

LITTLE CHILDREN'S HOME — Third Saturday and Sunday in May. Bill Dunbar, Ronald Scott, Johnie Bentley, Ralph Caudill, Tennis Sturgill, Toby Breeding, Able Johnson, Birtchel Mosley, Jr. Communion Time — Third Sunday in July.

MACEDONIA — Third Saturday and Sunday in May. Hiram Adkins, Alex Collier, Hays Chaffins, Stony Blackburn, Roy Caudill, Hezekiah Osburn, Elias Cotton, Darwin Sturgill. Communion Time — Third Saturday and Sunday in June.

MORNING STAR — Third Saturday and Sunday in May. Melvin Watts, Frank Newsome, Alex Collier, Ralph Howard, Rich Griffen, Oscar Holcomb, Eillis Holbrook. Communion Time — Third Sunday in June.

LITTLE EDNA — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in May. Hobert Holbrooks, Charles Newsom, Ronald Scott, Paris Tackitt, Birbage Howell, Kenny Robinson. Communion Time — Fourth Sunday in June.

## JUNE

LITTLE BETHEL — First Saturday and Sunday in June. Buddy W. Carty, W.P. Deel, James E. Tolliver, Elisha Branham, Milford Adams, Birtchel Mosely, Jr., Hiram Adkins. Communion Time — First Sunday in July.

## ARCHIE GREATHOUSE

With the help of our Lord, we will try to write an obituary of our loving, dear husband and Dad. He was born at Cabin Creek, West Virginia, Sept. 1, 1912 and he left our sweet home on Feb. 8, 1979.

Oh what a sweet home he made it after he had seeked and found our precious Lord and Savior. What a beautiful story of one early morning in October of 1978 when he awakened Mom with a long groan and then shouting praises to our Lord. "Oh how sweet it is, Bless His name, He's been so good to me!" He said, "I feel something has gone out of me, I'm not even smothering." His oldest daughter had spent the night and while Mom and Dad were rejoicing and talking of the Lord, she heard the voice of another man talking with them. She rushed to see who was visiting with them and was amazed to only see Mom and Dad. Dad would cry and say the Lord was with them that morning. Bless that third voice!

Dad had requested church at home and after such a warmly blessed meeting, he gave his hand to join The Little Rebecca Church and be baptized when he became able. He never got well enough, but Heaven will be the same for him as for all God's children. With tear-filled eyes, Dad often told Mom of how he wished he had lived his younger years for the Lord.

He was the son of Dixie and Christopher Greathouse. He met and married Bureda Bentley, daughter of Jim and Sally Bentley, in the year of 1933, making their union 45 years. Mom has been a member of The Old Regular Baptist Church for 38 years. To them were born 16 children, Archie, Jr. of Medina, Oh., Bobby of Brunswick, Oh., Clarence, Forrest, Jerome, and Eddie of Cleveland Oh., Beatrice Thornsberry of Westlake, Oh., Jimmy of Auxier, Ky., Johnny of Willard, Oh., Richard of Columbia Station, Oh., Tommy, Gerty Elliott, Sally Collins and Debbie Wells of Plymouth, Oh., and Barbara Furr of Greenwich, Oh. He was preceded in death by one infant son Joseph, his parents, two infant brothers, one half-brother and one half-sister. He leaves also 50 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren, and 8 half-brothers and sisters to mourn his leaving.

Dad was a coal miner trying to make a living for his family but he smothered and had to quit working. He had Black Lung and other lung disorders that made his last days here being spent in hospitals. Dad hardly ever complained, he would always just smile so sweetly when we would come through the door at the hospital. He said one day when he came home from a long stay, "It's so good to be home and sit at the table with all the children." I know if Dad could speak to us today, he would say "children make ready, for Heaven is real." I've dreamed several times since Dad has gone, that he would tell me he just fell asleep. Sleep just a short while dearest loving husband and Dad, you'll never smother again. We will be so lonesome and miss your dear sweet smile, but Mom will miss you most. He told Mom he was going home tomorrow, and on that tomorrow he went home and we feel he is resting in the arms of JESUS.

We will meet you in Heaven,  
Written by: Heart-broken Wife and Daughter





told you. I go to prepare a place for you, and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

We feel that Mommy's death is just a gateway to Heaven, resting under the altar of God: until that resurrection day, when we can all be together, to part no more.

We would like to say to her children and grandchildren: who have not made peace with God, If you ever see her again you will have to : Repent! Be Born Again, as she told you many times.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our Brothers and Sisters and many friends, for their love and kindness through this very sad occasion.

Written by her Daughters and Sisters in Hope,  
Shirly Parsley and Eva Lou Lawson

### JACK McCANN

With the help of our Saviour and humbleness, we will try and fill the request of Sister Bertha McCann to write the obituary of her beloved companion, Jack.

Jack was born into this life, August 25, 1905 to the late Alonzo and Willie Wilson McCann in Laurence County, Kentucky. Deceased this life August 14, 1978, making his stay here on God's foot stool, 72 years, 11 months, and 14 days. He was a retired foreman of Utilities Elkhorn Coal Company. Leaving behind to mourn their loss are his companion, Bertha Casebolt McCann, two sons, Robert McCann of Sommerset, Kentucky, Joe McCann of Texas, three step sons, Ronald Brafford of Ecorse, Michigan, Michael Brafford of Madison Heights, Michigan, and Frank Brafford of Warren, Michigan, five daughters, Mrs. Helen Elswick of Detroit, Michigan, Mrs. Jean Branham of Robinson Creek, Kentucky, Mrs. Mary Wilt, Mrs. Mae Harness, and Mrs. Ailene Marcum, all of Columbus, Ohio, one sister, Nellie Price of W. Jefferson, Ohio, 34 grandchildren and several great grandchildren, and one brother, Charlie McCann of Alexander, Ohio.

Jack was stricken by a heart attack in 1967, then in 1969, a stroke that left him helpless for 9 years. He was a quiet man, never demanding and bore his illness patiently. Sister Bertha attended his needs, though in ill health herself. When he got so ill, he told his companion he was all right with God, ready to go home. He desired to be baptized, but was never able to fill that commitment. Bertha brought him to church in a wheel chair, and he seemed to enjoy the preaching and singing so much, and always loved to see the Brothers and Sisters come to hold prayer by his bedside. The tears he shed, were witness that God was his Redeemer. Although his speech was not audible, he'd point to a picture of Jesus above his bed and say he was going home. He was just waiting for that call that must come to us all.

Sister Bertha your "darling" as you so devotedly called him, has outstripped you in this life, gone to that treasured rest that he longed for. Just waiting for Jesus to call these clay bodies to rise, liken unto Him, adorned and raised to be a fit subject in God's Kingdom. Though your hours and



I am very partial about the reward, Brethren. And if we would stay on our knees more to the Lord, we wouldn't need to be on our knees to one another so much. Put the idols from among you, brethren, and worship the Lord in the beauty of Holiness.

See that none render evil, for evil unto any man, but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves and all men. Rejoice evermore. Quench not the Spirit. Despise not prophesying. Prove all things, hold to that which is good. Abstain from all appearance of evil. And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly, and I pray God, your whole spirit, and soul, and body, be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

It seems as though some of our moderators and members believe that their church house or place of worship are not a part of their visiting brother or sister churches, and maybe they are right not to allow anyone to question a candidate for baptism except their members.

For if it displeases several of our members and preachers, the only thing they will do about it is twiddle their thumbs and talk about it. They won't labor with that church like our forefathers did, but they will send a request to the Association, asking for some kind of order to be printed in the minutes, then they will blame all their troubles on the Association. Now brethren, if our foreparents had done that, the only thing we would have, would be a book of rules and no association. Some of the brothers will take the advantage of our laziness. It's work to have peace and it's work to keep peace, and this is not only in our Association, but in our correspondence too. This should not be brethren but you know it's the truth, and if these associations don't stop this division, we are going to see one of the biggest break ups, that any of us have ever seen in our lifetime. I pray God, that we can come to the meeting of minds, because if we once split up, we may never get back together again in this world. The old Devil is on his job, and you had better stay on yours. It's time to wake up.

Apostle Peter wrote: "Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God on this behalf. For the time has come that judgement must begin at the house of God, and if it first began at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear. But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people, that ye should show forth the praises of Him, who hath called you out of darkness in to His marvelous light. Finally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous, not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing; For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and His ears are open to their prayers; But the Face of the Lord are against them that do evil."

According to nature, I know my race is almost run. But that same Star I've been following for 35 years, it will lead me home. I'm not yet satisfied. I still want to learn more about Jesus. I want my children and yours to follow this Day Star, It will lead them to fountains of living water.

In less than a week, I'll turn this letter over to you, and it will be your responsibility whether you accept it, or reject it.

I know it's a pretty rough letter, and I know you knew these



things already, but I hope I've stirred up your pure mind, in way of remembrance. Ye therefore beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness. But grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him, be glory both now and forever. Farewell.

Your Unworthy Servant,  
Elder: Joshua Hicks

#### CONSTITUTION OF THE NORTHERN NEW SALEM ASSOCIATION WHEN ORGANIZED IN 1958

From a long series of experiences we, the OLD REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST, being baptized upon a profession of faith in Christ are convinced of the necessity of a combination of Churches in order to perpetuate a union and communion among us and to keep the order and rules of an Association according to the following plan of government.

ARTICLE 1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different Churches in our union and sent to represent them in the Association and, upon their producing Letters from their respective Churches certifying their appointment, they shall be entitled to a seat.

ARTICLE 2. In the Letters shall be expressed their number in fellowship, those baptized, received by Letter, dismissed, excluded, and deceased since our last Association.

ARTICLE 3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord anything over God's heritage nor shall they have any clerical power over the Churches nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any Church in the union.

ARTICLE 4. The Association when convened shall be ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

ARTICLE 5. The Association shall have a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, and Assistant Clerk, each chosen separately by a majority vote of the delegates present.

ARTICLE 6. New Churches may be admitted into this union who shall petition by Letter and delegates and, if found upon examination to be orthodox and orderly, shall be received; and every Church in the union shall be entitled to a representative in the Association.

ARTICLE 7. Every query presented by the Church to the Association, being first debated in their own Churches, shall be taken up by the Association.

ARTICLE 8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except when withdrawn by the one who made it.

ARTICLE 9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with Minutes of the Association.

ARTICLE 10. We think it necessary that we should have an Association fund for defraying expenses of the same. We think it the duty of each Church in the union to contribute such sums as they think proper and to send it by their delegates to the Association; and such sums be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer chosen by the Association who shall be accountable for the money paid him by the Association, and paid out according to the Association.

#### KRISTELLA RUTH MAHON

Kristella Ruth Mahon was born May 30, 1979 in Cleveland, Ohio to Robert and Carol (Varney) Mahon of Grafton, Ohio. After waiting for sixteen years, she was our miracle baby, but for some reason, best known to God, she was taken home, one day old, May 31, 1979.

She leaves behind one brother, James Robert Mahon, her maternal grandparents, James and Leatha Varney of Greenup, Kentucky. She was buried at the Preston Cemetery at Greenup, Kentucky. Elder Rush Stanley officiating. She was named after her grandmother Mrs. Stella Mahon, who passed away Oct. 25, 1975.

Kristella sounds like a name of a star,  
Hanging above, shining so bright.  
A star she was, a miracle she was,  
An angel she is,  
An angel shining so bright,  
Shining with the Saints above,  
around God's Blessed throne.

Written by her Mother,  
Sister Carol Mahon

#### JULIA RUNYON MARCUM

It is with a sad and aching heart, and the help of our Lord, we will try to write the obituary of our dear Mother Julia Runyon Marcum. She was born in Martin County, Ky., to the late Harrison and Louisa Harden Runyon on July 7, 1898. She died Sept. 5, 1978. Making her stay on earth 80 years. In the year of 1917 she met and married Sammy Marcum and to this union were born 11 children, two of whom preceded her in death, also her husband, Sammy, three sisters and two brothers, and her parents.

Left to mourn her loss are 8 daughters and one son: Mrs. Edith Newsome, Mrs. Lucy Maynard, Mrs. Opal Matheney and Mrs. Shirley Parsley all of Ewington, Ohio, Mrs. Fanny Maynard of Racine, Mrs. Olive Newsome of Hamden, Ohio, Mrs. Ernestine Clay of Amesville, Ohio, Mrs. Eva Lou Lawson of Pleasantville, Ohio, and John Marcum of Hamden, Ohio, 47 grandchildren, 44 great-grandchildren, three brothers and one sister.

Mommy was a member of The Little Flock Church of the Old Regular Baptist at Ray, Ohio. She filled her seat as long as she was able. That seat is now empty in the Church and in our homes.

We think her goal in life must have been to leave a great light for us to follow for she was a light to everyone who knew her. She loved to cook and feed anyone who would come in and eat with her.

Life on earth is not the same without her, but the Lord said!

Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many Mansions: If it were not so, I would have





Brother Orville loved young people and loved to work with them. Every spare moment he had, he was helping and working with young boys.

I didn't intend for this to be so long, but it brought back many happy and joyful memories we spent together. I have a hope that I will meet him in heaven when this life is over.

Written by a Brother in Christ,  
Elder Buford Brock

### TALMAGE A. GILLUM

Psalm 101-6 — Mine eyes shall be upon the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me.

I'll try, with a sad and broken heart, and the help of a dear Brother and Sister in Christ, to write the obituary of my beloved husband, Talmage Gillum. Talmage was born June 28, 1911, making his stay on earth 67 years, 3 months, and 7 days. He departed this life on October 5, 1978. He was born in Elliott County, Ky. to Robert and Susan Pennington Gillum. In early life, he met and married Arzilla Ford, on August 10, 1935, having celebrated 43 wonderful years of marriage. To this union were given three sons: Donald Eugene, Robert, and Lonnie Edward. Left to mourn his loss are Sister Arzilla, his sons and three daughters-in-law, Sue, Jean, and Patty, six grandchildren, Karen, Todd, Jason, Dana, Danny, and Deanne, five sisters and one brother. Two brothers and three sisters preceded him in death. Brother Talmage joined the church October 1, 1967, and Sister Arzilla also, and were baptized together into the Little Ida Church, and was a faithful member until his death. He was ordained a deacon in Sept. 1969 and served the church well, always ready to do his duty. Though his afflictions were many, he bore his sickness with the patience of Job, never complaining. Sickness had him mostly bedridden for the past year, but he always wanted the Brothers and Sisters to sing old time songs and hold prayer in his home. When Martha and Sherman Potter planned to visit it lifted his spirits. He loved them so much. After each regular meeting, when Brother Ralph and Sister Leona got the opportunity to journey out Brother Talmage's way, he always questioned how all the work at the church went. His interests were everly on the good order, and a smile always came across his little face of a good church report. He has answered the call we all must answer, and that soul is now at rest; in peace with Christ Jesus. My loss is great and he is sadly missed, but God will be a wall of strength in my loneliness. To family and friends, his life was a light to each and every one of you, and an example of the way we must live here on earth to inherit God's Kingdom. That sweet hope has been fulfilled for my beloved husband, and his reward of inheritance to that Kingdom will be made manifest on that great day of Resurrection. We all wait as Talmage did, with patience, for we realize there's a better home, beyond this veil of tears, where sickness and heartaches will be no more.

Written by his heart-broken wife  
and a dear Brother and Sister in Christ,  
Arzilla Gillum  
Brother Ralph, Sister Leona Caudill



LITTLE FLOSSIE — First Saturday and Sunday in June. Buddy W. Carty, Earl Lawson, Roy Caudill, Buford Brock, Buck Tuttle, Frank Newsome, Woody Pack, Karrell Addington, Edd Kidd, Paul McClanahan. Communion Time — First Sunday in July.

MT. ZION — First Saturday and Sunday in June. Buddy W. Carty, Newt Vanderpool, Rayful Griffith, Loyd Ray, Junior Mosley, Virgil Wicker, Earl Lawson, Joshua Hicks. Communion Time — First Saturday and Sunday in July.

LITTLE FAMILY — Second Saturday and Sunday in June. Paul Adkins, Birtchel Mosley Jr., Buford Brock, Burl Stevens, Ralph Caudill. Communion Time — Second Sunday in July.

LITTLE PILGRIMS HOME — Second Saturday and Sunday in June. James Branham, Offie Bartley, Claude Ousley, Walter Parker, Harold Senters, Stony Blackburn, Covis Tackett. Communion Time — Second Sunday in July.

LITTLE POLLY — Second Saturday and Sunday in June. James Branham, Karrell Addington, Dave Slone, Buddy W. Carty, Clovis Tackett, Earl Lawson. Communion Time — Second Sunday in July.

LITTLE REBECCA — Third Saturday and Sunday in June. All that love the Little Rebecca Church that are in correspondence. Communion Time — Third Sunday in July.

FAMILY OF LOVE — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ray Hamilton, Birtchel Mosley Jr., James Branham, Paris Tackitt, Ralph Caudill, Baxter Osborne, Woody Pack, Frank Newsome, Loyd Ray. Communion Time — Fourth Sunday in July.

MT. OLIVET — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Willis Little, Doug McCarty, J.C. Tackett, Albert Hamilton, Walk Sturgill, Howard Story, Clarence Owens, and moderator. Communion Time — Fourth Sunday in August.

### JULY

LITTLE FLOCK — Third Saturday and Sunday in July. Rich Griffith, Ray Hamilton, Loyd Ray, Ivory Sowards, Clifford Colley. Communion Time — Third Saturday and Sunday in August.

LITTLE ANGEL — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in July. Baxter Osborne, Ealis Cotton, Ralph Caudill, Birbage Howell Jr., Bill Collins, Ivory Sowards, Wayne Herald. Communion Time — Fourth Sunday in August.



## BRO. EMSY LITTLE

Bro. Emsy was born March 27, 1930 to John and Alice Little, Rt. 2, Pikeville, Ky. God blessed his life for 49 years, 1 month and 12 days. He leaves to mourn his loss his loving wife, Sister Clara Little, and six children, Shelby J. Schoonover and Linda S. Growe both of Beavercreek, Victor Little and Emsy Little, Jr. both of East End of Dayton, Mary L. Berk of Kettering and Lisa Kay Little still at home in Kettering. He leaves six grandchildren and his dear old mother Alice Little, four brothers and three sisters, Dollie, Teddie and Troy all of Louisville, Ky., Everett of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Dellie Bealcher of Pikeville, Ky., Riddie Damron of River Rouge, Michigan, Raymond of Texas.



I will try with the help of the Lord to write an obituary of my dear husband who I loved with all my heart. I miss him so much, but I feel our loss is Heaven's gain and he is now resting in Jesus' arms. No children, Daddy will never be sick again. "Precious is the sight of God is the death of His Children." By nature we cry and mourn the loss of Bro. Emsy Little who we loved as a brother, born by the blood of Christ. But let us see the view on the other side of the river of death, the soul, still alive in Christ, awaits a home the natural mind cannot comprehend. Bro. Emsy will never be hungry, tired, worried, or fear disease or death again, but we who remain must face these things. Sister Clara, Emsy is free, free of the bonds of nature and he is resting, so let us all press on to attain that heavenly home.

Sister Clara Little  
Bro. Wilmer Combs

## LAWRENCE EDWARD LITTLE

Through tears and a broken heart I will try to write an obituary of my beloved brother who was loved dearly by all who knew him.

Lawrence Little was born July 1, 1937 and departed this life on March 4, 1972. Making his stay on this earth 34 years, 8 months and 3 days. Leaving behind to mourn his death his beloved Father and Mother, Willie and Lassa Little. One daughter, Della Mae Little, two brothers, Robert Little and Ernest Little, and three sisters, Ruby Lois Greer, Gloria Fern Anderson and Patricia Sue Bryant all of Dayton, Ohio. A number of nieces and nephews, aunts and uncles. And so many friends who dearly loved him, and miss him so much.

Although Lawrence was not a member of any church, I fell deep in my heart that if I can get right with GOD, someday I'll join my brother in Heaven.

Your Gentle Face and Patient Smile  
With Sadness We Recall,  
You Had A Kindly Word For Each  
And Died Beloved By All.

Written by Ernest Little  
(I LOVE YOU, BIG BROTHER)



ARTICLE 11. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of every Association shall be recorded by a Secretary appointed by the Association who shall receive a compensation for his services.

ARTICLE 12. The minutes of the Association shall be read, and corrected if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association arises, unless the same is dispensed with.

ARTICLE 13. Amendments to this plan or form of government may be made by a majority of the union, if deemed necessary.

ARTICLE 14. All matters coming before the Association shall be decided by will of a majority of the delegates present, except in receiving and dismissing churches and Associations which shall be by a unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 15. The Association shall have the power for the general union of the Churches; to preserve inviolable a chain of communion among the Churches; to give Churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; to inquire into the cause of the Churches failing to represent themselves at any time in the Association; to appropriate the money contributed by the Churches for the Association fund to any purpose they may think proper; to appoint any member, by their consent, to transact any business which they see necessary; and they shall have power to withdraw from any Church in the union which violates the rules of the Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion; and to admit any orderly Minister of our order to a seat with us. The Association shall have the right to adjourn themselves to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the Churches.

## ARTICLES OF FAITH

ARTICLE 1. We believe in only one true and living God, the Father, the Son, and Holy Ghost, and these three are one, equal in power, essence and glory. Isaiah 45:5, 1st Cor. 8:6, 1st John 5:7.

ARTICLE 2. We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the written words of God, and the only rules of Faith and practice. 2nd Peter 1:21, 1st Timothy 3:16, 2nd Timothy 3:16.

ARTICLE 3. We believe in the doctrine of election by grace. "For by grace are ye saved through Faith." Isa. 42:1, Eph. 2:8, 2nd Timothy 2:9, 1st Peter 1:23.

ARTICLE 4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin, and of man's inability to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, therefore a Saviour is needed for redemption. Gen. 2:7, Romans 5:12.

ARTICLE 5. We believe that sinners are called to repentance, and believe in the gospel, and regeneration of the soul, sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, and none such shall fall away and be lost. Prov. 8:4, Matt. 9:13, Mark 2:17, 2nd Timothy 2:9, 1st Peter 1:23.

ARTICLE 6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God, only by the imputed righteousness of JESUS CHRIST. 2nd Timothy 1:9, Luke 18:13-14, Acts 13:39.

ARTICLE 7. We believe that baptism is the ordinance of God's church on earth, and the mode is, **IMMERSION** back foremost so as to cover all over. Matt. 3:14, Luke 1:9-10, John 1:31-32-33, Romans 6:4, Eph. 4:5.

ARTICLE 8. We believe that the Lord's Supper is the command of the Saviour, and that by the use of unleavened bread and fruit of the vine and feet-washing should be kept up until His second coming, by His believers. Luke 22:2-20, John 12:7, 13:7-8, 1st Timothy 5:9-10.



ARTICLE 9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust, and that the joys of the righteous, and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal. John 5:28-29, 1st Cor. 15:51-52, Luke 24:26.

ARTICLE 10. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances and commands of the gospel, except such as are regular baptized, and that by immersion by a legal administrator of the gospel, and has come under the hands of a regular chosen presbytery of the church and ordained thereby. Acts, 12:2-3, Romans 1:16, Titus 1:6.

ARTICLE 11. We believe it is the duty of all church members to contribute money for defraying all reasonable expenses of the church, never forgetting the poor, according to their several abilities. Acts 11:29, Romans 15:26, 1st Cor. 16:1-2.

ARTICLE 12. We believe that every doctrine that goes to encourage, or indulge people in their sins, or cause them to settle down on anything short of saving Faith in CHRIST for salvation, is erroneous, and such doctrine will be rejected by us. Matt. 16:12, Acts 8:16-21, Romans 16:17-18, Eph. 4:14-15, Gal. 18:9-10.

ARTICLE 13. We believe that the church of CHRIST is a congregation of faithful believers in Christ, who have obtained fellowship with the Lord and with one another, and have given themselves to the Lord, and have agreed to keep up a Godly discipline, according to the rules of the gospel. John 11:8-11, Acts 2:42, 1st John 1:3.

ARTICLE 14. We believe that Jesus Christ is the head of the church, and the government thereof is upon His shoulders. Isaiah 9:6-7, 22:21-22, Luke 1:33.

ARTICLE 15. None of the above articles shall be considered as to hold with particular election and reprobation, so as to make God partial directly, or indirectly, or to injure any of the children of men; nor shall any of these articles be altered without legal notice, and free consent. John 3:16, Heb. 2:9.

#### RULES OF DECORUM

ARTICLE 1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

ARTICLE 2. The Association shall have a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk each chosen separately by a majority vote of the delegates present.

ARTICLE 3. Only one member shall speak at a time who shall arise from his seat and obtain consent from the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.

ARTICLE 4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the Moderator until he is through.

ARTICLE 5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect on the person who has spoken so as to make remarks on his slips or imperfections, but

ARTICLE 6. No person shall abruptly absent himself from the Association without leave of the Association.

ARTICLE 7. No person shall speak more than three times on any subject without leave of the Association.

ARTICLE 8. No person shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same nor whisper in time of public speech.

ARTICLE 9. No member of the Association shall address another in any other term or appellation than that of "Brother"

Hill, Ky.; 15 grandchildren, 38 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-granddaughter. He was a member of Macedonia Baptist Church for several years — Baptised by the hands of Bro. Burl Stevens. He lived a faithful life and went to church just as long as he could go, which was a short time before his death June 3. He was taken of the terrible kind of cancer that kills so fast. I know he did a lot of suffering the last three months of his life, but I feel sure our loss is Heaven's gain. We all saw him shouting and praising the Lord saying glory up until the end. I feel we will meet him again on that Glorious day when Jesus comes to Claim all His redeemed.

Written by his daughter and also a sister in the Lord,  
Mrs. Virgil Stevens

#### LUTHER HOLBROOK

Luther Holbrook passed away Tuesday evening in Jackson, Ohio following an extended illness. He was born in Carter County, February 18, 1895 a son of the late Harmon and Lera Creech Holbrook. He was a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife Lula Fisher Holbrook; five sons: Earl Holbrook, Jackson, Oh.; Dennis Holbrook, St. Petersburg, Fla.; S. Holbrook, Jackson, Oh.; Gaylord Holbrook, Columbus, Oh.; and Gomez Holbrook, Columbus, Oh. 5 daughters: Nemo Johnson, Mechanicsburg, Oh.; Faye Erwin, Jackson, Oh.; Eloise Knouse, Nashville, Tenn.; Deloris Jefferys, Cincinnati, Oh.; and Gainet Contor, Jackson, Oh. Two brothers Russell Holbrook, Oh. and Burl Holbrook, Lexington, Ky. One sister Ethel Porter, Enterprise, Ky. 29 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren. In addition to these survivors he also leaves a host of other relatives and friends to mourn his passing.

#### ARNOLD HOLT

At the request of Ruth Holt, I would like to write an obituary of my traveling companion and good brother in Christ.

He was born in Pike County, Ky., March 17, 1915 and died June 15, 1978. He was 63 years old. He was the son of the late Silas Holt and Fanny Hamilton Holt. He was married to Ruth McKenzie Holt. To this union two children were born, Sonny and Cookie Holt. He was a retired railroader. He was a member of the Little Jewel Regular Baptist Church.

We have traveled many miles together to church and he would tell me his experiences even to the date they happened. He loved to talk about his relationship with God, and I have no doubt about his eternal home.

Written by his Brother in Christ,  
Jesse Bryant





## MEMORIAL MEETINGS

**LITTLE REBECCA** — Third Saturday and Sunday in August. All ordained authorities are welcome.

**LITTLE JEWEL** — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in October. Ivan Amburgery, Birtchel Mosley Jr., Frank Newsome, Paul McClanahan, Luther Conn, Ralph Caudill.

**MAGGIE HOME** — First Saturday and Sunday in June.

**LITTLE POLLY** — All deceased of Little Polly. Second Saturday, and Sunday in August.

**MT. ZION** — First Saturday and Sunday in September.

**LITTLE FLOCK** — Third Saturday and Sunday in June. Paris Tackitt, Earl Newsome, W.P. Deel, William Cochran, Marcum's Memorial; Fourth Sunday in July: Ivory Sowards, Russell Hicks, Loyd Ray, Paris Tackitt, Marvin Bryant.

**LITTLE RUTH** — Fifth Saturday and Sunday in September, 1979. Calvin Adkins, Clifford Colley, Loyd Ray, W.P. Deel, Maynard Ratliff, Russell Hicks.

**LITTLE MEMORY** — Second Saturday and Sunday in August.

**LITTLE EDNA** — None Given.

**LITTLE IDA** — First Saturday and Sunday in July. Bill R. Collins, Savel Combs, Hiram Adkins, Birbage Howell, Roy Caudill.

**LITTLE FLOSSIE** — July 5, 1980 of Sister Rachael and Troy Sparkman and all deceased members.

**LITTLE ZION** — Second Saturday and Sunday in August. Paul McClanahan, Clifford Maynard, Ron Scott, Jess Vires.

**LITTLE PILGRIMS HOME** — Second Saturday and Sunday in August. All Regular Baptist ministers invited.

**MT. OLIVET** — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in August. Rayful Griffith, H.N. Vanderpool, Edgar Little, Sheridan Hall, Covis Tackett, J.C. Tackett, Willis Little.

**PLEASANT VIEW** — First Saturday and Sunday in June, 1980. (This will be the odd Sunday in June for our Memorial Meeting.)

**LITTLE FAMILY** — Second Saturday and Sunday in October.

**LITTLE ANGEL** — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in March. Paul Adkins, Hillard Newsome, George Matthews, Buddy Carty.

**ROSE OF SHARON** — None Given.

**ANTIOCH** — First Saturday and Sunday in June. All regular Baptist ministers of same faith and order are invited.

**LILLY OF THE VALLEY** — Odd weekend in July. All ordained authorities invited.

**LITTLE CHILDREN'S HOME** — Third Saturday and Sunday in September. All Old Regular Baptist ministers invited.

**MORNING STAR** — Third Saturday and Sunday in July. Jimmy Dye, Freddie Kidd, Roy Caudill, Bill Rose, J.C. Tolliver.

**LITTLE BETHEL** — None Given.

**FAMILY OF LOVE** — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in August. Memorial of all deceased members. All Regular Baptist ministers invited.

## ELZA FIELDS

It is with much sadness that I try to write the obituary of Sister Elza Fields. She was the daughter of Dow Castle and Della Gibson Castle, who preceded her in death. She was married to John Fields. To this union no children were born. Sister Elza was born Dec. 30, 1913. She departed this life Dec. 27, 1977, making her stay here on earth 63 years, 11 months and 27 days. She joined the Old Regular Baptist Church Sept. 23, 1966, and was baptized on Oct. 26, 1966 by Brother Baxter Osborne of Ashland, Ky. She was a faithful member and loved to go to church. That was her life. Sister Elza leaves four sisters to mourn her passing. Hester Perigen, Janie Row, Hazel Phillips and Belva Holbrooks. Two brothers, Allen Castle and Alvin Castle . . . I miss her very much. If you ever want to see her, Mama and Dad, you have to fall out with sin, and live for the good Lord and I have that hope I will meet her someday over in the Glory Land.

Written by her lonely sister Janie Row

Assisted by her brother, Allen Castle

## RICHARD ORVILLE GILLIAM

With the help of the Lord and with much sadness, I will try to write an obituary of a dear Brother in Christ.

Richard Orville Gilliam was born into the home of William Howard Gilliam and Nola Lewis Gilliam in Elliot County, Kentucky, March 14, 1907, and departed this life August 9, 1978, making his stay here on earth 71 years, 4 months and 26 days.

He met and married Mary F. Jones October 29, 1927. To this union were born two boys, Richard A. of Witchata Falls, Texas, and Thomas H. of Columbus, Ohio; four girls, Jean Lineburgers, Columbus, Ohio; Patty Nies, Tip City, Ohio; Lois J. Kikly, Lebanon, Ohio, and Kathy King, Highland Springs, Virginia.

He left to mourn his loss his sweet companion, the children, two brothers, David Gilliam, Greenup, Kentucky, and Ivory Gilliam, Akron, Alabama; seven sisters, Eva Gibson, Greenup, Kentucky; Orca Riggs, Greenup, Kentucky; Edith Reed, Warren, Michigan; Edna Biko, Dayton, Ohio; Carrie Reed, Mount Vernon, Ohio; Ethel Cornette, Paint Lick, Kentucky, and Mary Ellen Gorst, Cobb, Georgia, and a host of friends and Brothers and Sisters in Christ to mourn his loss. He was loved by all who knew him. I had known Brother Gilliam for several years and never heard him say anything bad about anybody.

I baptized him April 27, 1969. He lived a faithful Christian life until his death. Brother Gilliam is missed very much by all who knew him, especially the Little Ruth Church where he took his membership when he moved to Ohio.

I know Brother Gilliam's companion misses him more than anyone, but one of these days she can live with him where there is no pain or death. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary October 29, 1977. I want to say to his children, if you haven't made peace with God, now is the time to do so, so you can be with Daddy when this life is over.





Although his loss is so hard to bear, God must have loved him better than us, or he would have let us keep him a little while longer. God always knows best so why should we weep over our husband and father for we believe that he is resting under the altar of God. Even though I miss him every day more and more, I know one thing someday God will come and take me to be with him in his flower garden which is more beautiful than anything we have ever seen here on earth.

Sleep on, sleep on Brother Kelly, we look forward to a reunion that will never end.

Written by a broken-hearted wife,  
Sister Fay Dales  
and daughter Lorine

## WILLOUGHBY DEEL

It is with a sad and broken heart we will try to write an obituary of our beloved father, Willoughby Deel. He was born in Buchamon County, Virginia, on the 18th day of February, 1894, and departed this life on the 11th day of December, 1978, making his stay on Earth 84 years, 9 months and 23 days.

He was the son of George W. and Sarah Deel. He was married to Marida C. Deel on the 26th day of March, 1914. Unto this union were born 15 children, 6 boys and 9 girls. Two sons and one daughter preceded him in death. Left to mourn his death are his wife Marida C. and children: Sarah E. Prater, Elmira Deel, Mary Shortridge, Martha Rice, Doshia Ratliff, Vadie Deel and William P. Deel, all of Delaware, Ohio, Phoeby O'Quinn of Haysi, Virginia, Molicia Pyles of Green Cove Springs, Florida, Elitha Colley of Greenup, Kentucky, Marlin of Toledo, Ohio, and Howard in the Army in Germany.

He is also survived by 73 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; a brother Georgie of Ocala, Florida, and a sister, Mrs. Walter Yates, Harman, Virginia.

He joined the Little Ruth Church on the second Saturday of April, 1959, and was baptised by Elders E.F. Deel and Woodrow Fuller on May 10, 1959. He was ordained as a deacon on March 11, 1961. He served the office of a deacon faithfully and humbly as long as he was able. We feel the Little Ruth Church has lost a good member, Mom has lost a good husband and we children have lost a good and loving father.

Several weeks before he died, he told the family he was going to a new home.

Daddy has been sick for a long time and suffered many pains be we feel he has gone to a new home and his suffering is all over.

I know if he could speak to his family he would say don't weep over me. Just get ready now while there's still time to choose where to spend eternity.

Written by his son, daughter and son-in-law:  
William P. Deel  
Elitha Colley  
Clifford Colley



HOUSE OF PRAYER — First Saturday and Sunday in November. Baxter Osborne, Robert Haney, J.C. Tackett.

MACEDONIA — Third Saturday and Sunday in October. Hiram Adkins, Alex Collier, Hays Chaffins, Stony Blackburn, Roy Caudill, Hezekiah Osburn, Elias Cotton, Darwin Sturgill.

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HOUSE OF PRAYER ..... Dayton, Ohio  
MACEDONIA ..... Grahn, Ky.



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| LITTLE JEWELL .....          | Baxter Osborne   |
| MAGGIE HOME.....             | Paris Tackitt    |
| LITTLE POLLY .....           | Richard Griffith |
| MT. ZION .....               | Claude Ousley    |
| LITTLE FLOCK .....           | Anthony Hamilton |
| LITTLE RUTH .....            | W.P. Deel        |
| LITTLE MEMORY.....           | Baxter Osborne   |
| LITTLE EDNA .....            | Walter Parker    |
| LITTLE IDA .....             | Walter Mullins   |
| LITTLE FLOSSIE.....          | Richard Griffith |
| LITTLE ZION .....            | Roy Hudson       |
| LITTLE PILGRIM'S HOME .....  | Robert Wallen    |
| MT. OLIVET .....             | Richard Griffith |
| PLEASANT VIEW .....          | Alex Collier     |
| LITTLE FAMILY .....          | Roy Caudill      |
| LITTLE ANGEL .....           | Hiram Adkins     |
| ANTIOCH.....                 | Paul Adkins      |
| ROSE OF SHARON.....          | Ray Hamilton     |
| LILLY OF THE VALLEY.....     | Chester Newsome  |
| LITTLE CHILDREN'S HOME ..... | Zee Holbrooks    |
| MORNING STAR.....            | Covis Tackett    |
| LITTLE BETHEL .....          | Frank Harvey     |
| FAMILY OF LOVE .....         | Buddy W. Carty   |
| HOUSE OF PRAYER .....        | Melvin Watts     |
| MACEDONIA .....              | Burl Stevens     |

Leaving to mourn her loss, her husband Roy, a son Morris and one daughter Jackie Pigman, all of Louisville, Ky. Also she left two brothers, Boyd of Indiana and Glenn of Louisville, two sisters Verie Campbell of Cornettsville, Ky. and Agnes Whittaker of Louisville.

So to Roy and the children, if you want to see Moma and Dana again do what she told the four of us one week before she died. With her frail arms around our necks, get ready and let's meet over yonder where we can all live together. But she will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Her broken hearted brother,  
Boyd Dixon

So Dana sleep on, sleep on  
Tho we miss you, since you've been gone

We will always remember in the hospital  
When our hearts were sad  
You said, "all be ready and go meet Mom and Dad."  
Now that her seat at home is empty  
Forever and evermore, but by God's help we can meet her  
Again on that beautiful golden shore.  
From the promise on high  
As our days draw nigh  
We will meet again and never more say good-by.

Her brother,  
Boyd

## BROTHER KELLY DALES

Kelly Dales born March 17, 1911 to Bassil and Mellie Dales. He departed this life at 4 a.m. September 26, 1978. He married Faye McClanahan Dales on September 12, 1929 and to this union were born three sons: James Ernest, David and James E. Dales; also six daughters: Della Lorine Deel, Gladys Pauline Owens, Videt Mincer, Mabel Ann Hale, Vera Grace Thrun and Shella Patricia Fitzpatrick. He had 32 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; 5 brothers of which two survived: Alvin Dales and Charles Dales, and three being deceased: Hazel, Beldin and Garlon Dales. He also had four sisters: Lexie, Opal, Ethel and Gusto to mourn his loss.



Brother Kelly was a member of the Little Bethel Church of Old Regular Baptist. He was baptized September 5, 1970. He was also ordained as a deacon June 5, 1971. He served the church well and was always there when you needed him. His seat will be empty in the church, but Jesus has given him a better seat than we could have ever given him. His presence will be missed, but his memory will always be with us. The church will surely miss a brave soldier like Brother Kelly.

We once had a beautiful garden that was filled with beautiful roses, and one day Jesus came and picked the most beautiful one in the garden and the most chosen one. We think Jesus must have chosen him to play around the throne with little children because he loved everyone so much.



## MICHAEL RAY CARTY

Mike was born March 16, 1959. He was killed when his truck was struck by a train one block from his home, Nov. 20, 1977.

He was the son of Elder and Mrs. Buddy Carty. He has a sister, Rhonda and three brothers, Dan, Marty, and David. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joel Spencer. Paternal grandparents are deceased.

There are no words that could express how wonderful everyone was to us and what a great help they were.

Even though this was such a terrible tragedy, it gave us more faith than ever to know God will stand by us, and with His help we can stand anything.

About a week after we lost Mike, my load was so heavy, I asked God to help me accept what had happened.

That night I dreamed I saw a child start traveling down a straight road, then he came to another road and he turned off on it. He kept changing roads, the farther he traveled the more lost he became. He kept trying to find the right road. He would go so far on each road and temptation would be in the way so he'd turn and take another road. He became more troubled all the time. He was thinking, "I'll never find the way, I'm so lost."

He kept traveling until he came to another straight road, it went to the right and he turned on it. He was so happy he had found the right road.

He was thinking, "I'm not lost anymore, I'm on my way home." Then I woke up. God only knows what a help that dream has been.

Written by his Mother, Carlene

The following are two poems one written by his sister Rhonda. The other one is dedicated to all parents, who have lost a child.

### SOMEONE SPECIAL "MIKE CARTY"

You are gone because God wanted to take someone special  
I miss you so bad it seems I am always sad.

Everything reminds me of that smile  
If only I could see it once more even for just a little while

I was always so proud of you  
with all those great things you could do

I've always prayed it'd get easier without you  
as time wore on but it only seems to get worse  
no matter how long since you've been gone

Can you look down and see how much you're missed  
there's too many times to ever list  
the countless tears I've cried

since that last time we said Good-bye.

But it's worth all the pain and tears  
for I got to have you as my brother  
for all those wonderful years.

I still have my memories  
I love and miss you always Mike.

Written by Rhonda Carty



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Elder James E. Tolliver, 3190 Jerusalem Rd., Vermillion, Ohio  
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43054..... 855-7955  
Elder Harold Senters, 4048 Colby St., Columbus, Ohio 43227  
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Elder Whipple Reynolds, 9651 Vivian, Taylor, Mich. 48180  
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## MRS. LOONIE (THORNSBURY) COLLINS

When one of us leaves the earth, it is for another destination. We, who are God's dearest creation, cannot simply be stamped out . . . cancelled. We are much more than bodies. For those who believe the promises of Jesus . . . do go somewhere. They haven't ceased to exist, but have gone to a land of Joy and Peace.

So it was with Sister Loonie Collins of South Euclid, Ohio. She returned to God, when death said, "let's go". There is no waiting. On November 1, 1978 she left this sinful world at the age of 73 years old, being born Dec. 15, 1905. She was wedded to the late Curtis Collins, in 1925; he died in Oct. 1975. God Blessed them to have one son, Cornilious, three daughters, Mrs. Bernice Warrens, Mrs. Joyce Bolen, both of Cleveland, Ohio and Mrs. Juanita Lewis of North Carolina. Two brothers, John Thornsbery of LaGrange, Ohio and Herbert Thornsbery of Streetsboro, Ohio and one sister, Mrs. Hazel Maynard of LaGrange, Ohio. She was the daughter of the late Nelson V. Thornsbery and her 96-year-old Mother, Minnie Thornsbery of LaGrange, Ohio. Her dad and sister Bessie (Thornsbery) Slone preceded her in death.

She had been a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church for many years. Bringing her membership from the Caney Fork Church at Raven, Kentucky in Knott County, to Pleasant View Church at Litchfield, Ohio. Her body was kept and funeral conducted at the Pleasant View Church. This was the first member of the church to die, since organized.

During her illness, she looked forward to the friends and members of the church, coming in the home, and having church services for her. She always made sure there was food for them. She made her home, with her daughter, Bernice and Foster Warrens, who stood by her side, until death. She had great faith in God, and put it in action during her sickness.

Her suffering has ceased, she longed to go home. For those that know God in the pardon and remission of sin, death is only a gateway into Heaven. For those that don't know God, should ask yourself where will death take me? Death will take you, to the place you have chosen. It is up to each one to choose where you want to live after death.

May God Bless her family and relatives. Her memorial will be preached at the Pleasant View Church in Litchfield, Ohio on the odd Sunday, June 1st, 1980.

In Christ's Love,  
Sister Marjorie Slone

## DANA COMBS

With much sadness and a broken heart, I will try to write an obituary of my dearly beloved Sister, Dana Combs. On October 28, 1916 she was born to John Russ and Lishie Dixon of Smithboro, Ky. Departed this life on January 30, 1979. Making her stay here 62 years, three months and two days. Early in life she met and married Roy Combs of Vicco, Ky., and to this union three children were born, one preceded in death when an infant.



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| MT. ZION               | Raleigh Ousley, Rt. #2, Box 163, Ada, Ohio 45810               | 326-7472 |
| LITTLE FLOCK           | Floyd Newsome, Rt. #2, Vinton, Ohio 45686                      | 388-8159 |
| LITTLE RUTH            | Kilby Deel, 440 Vernon Ave., Delaware, Ohio 43015              | 362-1262 |
| LITTLE MEMORY          | Bill Ison, Rt. #4, Brookville, Ind. 47012                      | 647-3266 |
| LITTLE EDNA            | Elmer Edwards, 888 Copper Foster Park Rd., Amherst, Ohio 44055 | 988-5875 |
| LITTLE IDA             | Ralph Caudill, 1594 Wilson, Lincoln Pk., Mich. 48146           | 381-3710 |
| LITTLE FLOSSIE         | Carlie Tuttle, Rt. #3, Kendallville, Ind. 46755                | 347-0361 |
| LITTLE ZION            | Otto L. Newsome, 7411-25 Mile Rd., Washington, Mich. 48094     | 781-3292 |
| LITTLE PILGRIM'S HOME  | Birbage Howell, Jr., 181 Nicholas St., Plymouth, Ohio 44865    | 687-8101 |
| MT. OLIVET             | Elmer Adams, 6696 Pine St., Taylor, Mich. 48180                | 291-4715 |
| PLEASANT VIEW          | David E. Muncy, Box 251, Kent, Ohio 44240                      | 673-1465 |
| LITTLE FAMILY          | Coleman Fields, 7946 Lowe Dr., Franklin, Ohio 45005            | 746-8829 |
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| ANTIOCH                | Hillard Newsome, 3520 Fincastle Rd., Louisville, Ky. 40213     | 452-1197 |
| ROSE OF SHARON         | Johnie Bentley, 3218-22nd St., Wyandotte, Mich. 48192          | 283-2983 |
| LILLY OF THE VALLEY    | Roger D. Newsome, 4529 State Rd., Asatabula, Ohio 44004        | 992-0397 |
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| MORNING STAR           | Doug McCarty, 9822 Woodland Ct., Ypsilanti, Mich. 48197        | 483-9877 |
| LITTLE BETHEL          | James Branham, 4157 Limerick Rd., Clyde, Ohio 43410            | 547-8286 |
| FAMILY OF LOVE         | Clifford Bradley, 18003-Sh. 231, Wyandotte, Ohio 44849         |          |
| HOUSE OF PRAYER        | Wilmer Combs, 4433 Tangent Dr., Kittering, Ohio 45440          | 299-5656 |
| MACEDONIA              | Virgil Stevens, Grahm, Ky. 41142                               | 286-4622 |



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 LITTLE JEWELL — Euel Ratliff, Charles Craft, Hezekiah Osburn  
 MAGGIE HOME — John Mullins, Paris Tackitt, Donald Mullins  
 LITTLE POLLY — Rayful Griffith, Carlie Tuttle, Dave Bolen  
 MT. ZION — H. Robinson, Hubert Robinson, Bill Stator  
 LITTLE FLOCK — Don Lawson, Howard Parsley, Raymond Stapeleton  
 LITTLE RUTH — James Curry, Kilby Deel, Maynard Ratliff  
 LITTLE MEMORY — Bill Ison, Sam Lewis, Lawrence Day  
 LITTLE EDNA — Tennis Sturgill, Elmer Edwards, Kennis Hamilton  
 LITTLE IDA — Walter Mullins, Bill Dumbar, Ralph Caudill  
 LITTLE FLOSSIE — Larry Dixon, Glenn Dixon, Birtchel Mosley, Jr.  
 LITTLE ZION — Glynn Maddox, Larry Hankins, Eugene Robinette  
 LITTLE PILGRIM'S HOME — Robert Wallen, Squire Hamilton, Birbage Howell, Jr.  
 MT. OLIVET — Kelsey Mullins, Oscar Holcomb, Elmer Adams  
 PLEASANT VIEW — J.E. Tolliver, Stony Blackburn, Ezra Thornsberry  
 LITTLE FAMILY — Hendricks Hampton, Lewis Alton Rogers, John Turner  
 LITTLE ANGEL — Forest Osborne, Harold Senters, Ballard Brown  
 ANTIOCH — Darrell Parks, Squire H. Watts, Paul Adkins  
 ROSE OF SHARON — Johnie Bentley, Whipple Reynolds, John Paul Hamilton  
 LILLY OF THE VALLEY — Conley Daniles, Roger Newsome, Dave Music  
 LITTLE CHILDREN'S HOME — Buford Brock, James Wagner, Birchell Short  
 MORNING STAR — Danny Adams, Sheridan Hall, Bill Gilbert  
 LITTLE BETHEL — Buck Tuttle, James Branham, Ernie Owens  
 FAMILY OF LOVE — Buddy W. Carty, W.P. Deal, James Gilliams  
 HOUSE OF PRAYER — Paul Reynolds, Sollie Miller Jr., Astor Eldridge  
 MACEDONIA — Burl Stevens, Sr., Rant Bailey, Virgil Stevens

**LARRY MARVIN COLLIER**

It is with precious memories that I attempt to write a brief obituary of Larry Collier, 3598 West 105th Street, Cleveland, Ohio. God loaned Larry to Elder Alex and Joyce (Hall) Collier for 21 years, 11 months and 23 days, being born Oct. 26, 1956. He has one sister Leslie Jane Willet, one nephew, Gary Willet. He was married to Pauline Brown and they were blessed to have two children, Joyce and Olivia. He was the grandson of Mrs. Louise Collier of Cleveland, Ohio and Mrs. Alfred (Dorothy) Adams of Millstone, Kentucky. Larry left them and others to mourn his loss, on Sept. 3, 1978.



Larry served in the United States Army for two months. After being discharged, he was employed at the Ford Motor Company in Brookpark, Ohio. He worked with my husband, Omer Slone, he talked to him, many times. Larry had respect for his Dad, being the Moderator of the Pleasant View Church. Bro. Alex tried to help get Larry started out in life, by the means of material things, but most of all, he told him about the goodness of God. Salvation and being born again. He and Joyce will long remember and hold many memories, as a Mother, of her son. Every Christian parent wants their child to forsake the path of sin, escape through the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ. God will lead you to life and Salvation.

I have known Larry since he was a small boy, he always loved to come to my house. He always had a smile for me, and when at church, he would wait for me, and tell me he just had to hug my neck. The love of a child is more to be valued than fortune and fame.

To those who are in sorrow over Larry, remember, God is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit. He is a refuge and strength, a rock, a fortress, deliver, if you will put your trust in Him. I pray that God will help Pauline take care of her two little girls, lead and direct Pauline in the way of righteousness. To the un-saved of Larry's loved ones, May God grant you free Salvation by Grace, to be prepared for the hour of death. Bro. Alex and Joyce wish to thank all, who came, who helped in any way, through thier sorrow, most of all the prayers and comforting words, they will long remember.

"Blessed are those that mourn for they shall be comforted." In Christ's  
Love,

Sister Marjorie Slone

All friends and members of the Pleasant View Church, will be remembered in the Memorial, first day of June, Sunday, 1980.



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 Elder Frank Harvey, Greensprings, Ohio 44836 ..... 639-2557  
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 Elder Melvin Watts, Rt. 1, Franklin, Ohio 45005..... 748-1916

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## RAYMOND B. BURKE

With much sadness and an aching heart and the help of God, I will attempt to write an obituary of our loving son, and loving he was. Raymond B. Burke, born June 7, 1960, deceased December 3, 1978, making his stay here on earth 18 years, 6 months, and 24 days. We love him, and miss him so much. We had a lot of good times and memories, that we can never forget. He was the son of Raymond and Margie (Tackett) Burke. One brother preceded him in death, Richard B. Burke, died at birth. He leaves to mourn his loss, his wife, Pamela (La Rose) Burke, one daughter, Barbara Ann, his parents, one sister, Elizabeth Ann, still at home, grandparents, Sol and Annie Tackett, of Belleville, Mi., Oval and Mary Burke, of Virgie, Ky., his many aunts, uncles, and friends.



Raymond was a P.F.C. in the Marines, stationed in California. He was on his way to work when another car crossed over in his lane. He was killed instantly. He was such a tender-hearted boy. He was a man in the Marines but in his heart he was still a child. He always said, Mom you always taught me to be good, but in the Marines they teach you so different. Raymond was 3 years old when I joined the Ypsilanti Old Regular Baptist Church. I always tried my best to teach him right. It is so hard for them to go out into the world when they are so tender. But he never forgot home or how he was raised. I only wish I had taken more time, to try and understand him more. For we are not always right either. Raymond was our only child for 7 years. He was a great part of our life. Our lives will never be the same. He always said he loved us so many times. I always said my children was my life, and I could not live without them. But we don't know what we might have to face and life still goes on. We can't seem to think of but one day at a time. For we just can't imagine life without him. We will never forget his sweet smiling face. He was never ashamed to show his love for people, and everyone loved him too. I believe with all my heart, he is resting in the arms of Jesus, and someday all that want to can be reunited together.

Written by his loving mother,  
 Margie Burke



## MYRTLE CLEVENGER

In remembrance of our beloved mother, Myrtle Clevenger, born April 2, 1908, and died peacefully March 31, 1979. She was the daughter of the late E.K. and Lorrane Ousley Prater, both of Floyd County, Kentucky. She married Anthony Clevenger, who preceded her in death December 26, 1965. Born to this couple were 6 children, two of which also preceded her in death, two boys, Johnny and James Clevenger; the remaining four are three boys and one girl. George Clevenger of McArthur, Harlan of Ashland, Anthony, Jr., Ashland, Ohio, also daughter Mildred Rose of Columbus, Ohio. She also leaves behind her 19 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren, also preceding her in death are five brothers, Mont Ousley, Ashland, Elic, Merle and Dallas, sisters: Loanie and Gertie Ousley. Those sisters and brothers still living are: O.C. Ousley, Burton, Estel, Hollie, Jim, Herbert, Ethel, Pearl, and Barbara, also stepmother, Martha Ousley, of Dundas, Ohio.

Mother joined the Maggie Home Church April 1949, and was baptized by Brother Anthony Hamilton and Brother Square Hamilton, where she remained a faithful member until death. All her loved ones she leaves behind are greatly saddened by her passing. We believe she was ready to meet the Lord to take her home and we believe she is happy now.

Written by her loving son and daughter-in-law,  
Harlan and Mary Clevenger



## GLADYS CLINE

It is with a sad and loney heart that I try to write the obituary of my dear mother.

Mom was born August 23, 1901, in Lawrence County, Ohio to Nick and Rebecca Feters. She was married May 27, 1918 to Julius Cline, who survives. Also one son, Ray, and a daughter, Catherine Collins and a son-in-law, George, who was devoted to mom and was like a son to her. Two daughters preceded her in death. She leaves three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Mom belonged to the Regular Baptist Church for forty years and her membership was at the Little Jewell Church. She never failed to fill her seat on meeting time and was always up early on Sunday fixing dinner and her joy was to have people go home with her for dinner.

I miss her so much on Sunday when we go to Church and she is not with us. Mom is in a better home and with the help of God, one day we will be together.

Written by her daughter and a sister in Christ,  
Catherine Collins



## ORDAINED MINISTERS

### LITTLE REBECCA

Elder Clennan Beverly, 55 Plymouth St., Plymouth, Ohio 44865. —  
Elder Buddy W. Carty, 160 Trux St., Plymouth, Ohio 44865  
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Elder Bill R. Collins, Rt. 3, Shelby, Ohio 44875 ..... 347-1848  
Elder Savel Combs, 110 W. Main St., Shelby, Ohio 44875. 347-1424  
Elder Donel Gibson, Box 84, New Haven, Ohio 44850. . . . 935-4165  
Elder Claude Ousley, 22 Maple St., Shelby, Ohio 44875. . . 347-1217  
Elder Farris Tuttle, Rt. 2, Shiloh, Ohio 44865 ..... 896-3569  
Elder H.N. Vanderpool, Box 142 Sandusky St., Plymouth, Ohio  
44865. .... 687-5061  
Elder Amos Williams, 150 Riley St., Newark, Ohio 43055. 344-1073  
Elder Delmer Williams, Allen, Kentucky ..... —

### LITTLE JEWELL

Elder Carlos Little, 539 Burlington Rd., Hunington, W. Va. 25704  
..... 429-1112  
Elder Hezekiah Osburn, 631 Fulton Ave., Wurtland, Ky. 41144  
..... 836-8573  
Elder Baxter Osborne, Rt. 6, Box 423, Ashland, Ky. 41101  
..... 928-9513  
Elder Hiram Osborne, 31 E. Illini, Phoenix, Ariz. 85035. .286-4961  
Elder Steve Osborne, 2610 45th Ave. North, Phoenix Ariz. 85035  
..... 272-8287

### MAGGIE HOME

Elder Bobby Baker, Hamden, Ohio 45634 ..... 596-4450  
Elder Paris Tackitt, Beaver, Ohio 45613. .... 226-4493

### LITTLE POLLY

Elder Rayful Griffith, Box 534, Cromwell, Ind. 46732. . . 856-2624

### MT. ZION

None .....

### LITTLE FLOCK

Elder Anthony Hamilton, Rt. 2, Vinton, Ohio 45686 ... 388-8765  
Elder Joshua Hicks, Royalton Rd., Lancaster Ohio 43130. 969-2988  
Elder Okie Kent, Rt. 1, Thurman, Ohio 45685 ..... 682-6676  
Elder Harrison Runyon, Rt. 1, Nelsonville, Ohio 45764. . . 753-2123

### LITTLE RUTH

Elder James Curry, 208 E. Central Ave., Delaware, Ohio 43015  
..... 369-6936  
Elder W.P. Deel, 240 Vernon Ave., Delaware, Ohio 43015  
..... 363-1756



### LITTLE MEMORY

Elder Lawrence Day, Okeana, Ohio 45053 ..... 776-4216  
Elder Perry Slone, Rt. 1, Batesville, Ind. 47006 ..... 934-2355

### LITTLE EDNA

Elder Denver Meade, 953 Warwick Dr., Sheffield, Ohio 44054  
..... 949-6048  
Elder Walter Parker, 920 Robert St., Lorain, Ohio 44054  
..... 949-6602  
Elder Bart Potter, 9066 Spieth Rd., Litchfield, Ohio 44253  
..... 722-8573  
Elder David Slone, 5128 Orchard St., Lorain, Ohio 44055. 233-5580  
Elder Tennis Sturgill, 319 N. Lake St., South Amherst, Ohio 44001  
..... 986-6382  
Elder Walk Sturgill, 57 E. Main St., Greenwich, Ohio 44873  
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Elder Ralph Caudill, 1594 Wilson, Lincoln Park, Mich. 48146  
..... 381-3710  
Elder Bill Dumbar, Box 55, Providence, Ky. .... 667-2853  
Elder Arthur Mitchell, 1712 Electric, Wyandotte, Mich. 48192  
..... 283-2423  
Elder Walter Mullins, 13528 Fordline, Southgate, Mich. 48195  
..... 284-0573  
Elder Ronald Scott, 1146 E. Kalma, Madison Hgts., Mich. 48071  
..... 547-1063

### LITTLE FLOSSIE

Elder Birtchel Mosley, Jr., RR #4, Kendallville, Ind. 46755  
..... 347-2220  
Elder Virgil Wicker, 208 N. Park Ave., Kendallville, Ind. 46755  
..... 347-4736

### LITTLE ZION

Elder Garfield Hobson, 106 Blaine St., Pontiac, Mich. 48058  
..... 334-7909  
Elder Roy Hudson, R. 1, Box 366, Virgie, Ky. 41572 ... 639-9622  
Elder Glenn Maddox, 21413 Cyman St., Warren, Mich. 48091  
..... 754-6986  
Elder Clarence Owens, 26707 Syracuse St., Warren, Mich. 48091  
..... 751-5896

### LITTLE PILGRIMS HOME

Elder Albert Hamilton, 131 Griggs Rd., Rochester, Ohio 44090  
..... 647-3124

### TO ALL PARENTS

"I'll lend you for a little time a child of mine" Christ said,  
"For you to love the while he lives and mourn for when he's dead.  
It may be six or seven years, or twenty-two or three,  
But will you, till I call him back, take care of him for me?"  
"He'll bring his charm to gladden you, and shall his stay be brief,  
You'll have his lovely memories as solace for your grief.  
I cannot promise he will stay, since all from Earth return.  
But there are lessons taught down there I want this child to learn."  
"I looked the wide world over in my search for teachers true,  
And from the throngs that crowd life's lanes, I have selected you.  
Now will you give him all your love, nor think the labor vain,  
Nor hate me when I come to call to take him back again?  
I fancied that I heard them say, "Dear Lord, thy will be done."  
For all the joy thy child shall bring, the risk of grief we'll run.  
We'll shelter him with tenderness, we'll love him while we may.  
And for the happiness we've known, forever grateful stay.  
But shall the angels call for him, much sooner than we planned,  
We'll brave the bitter grief that comes — and try to understand.

### MELBA J. CHAPMAN

It is with a sad Heart but very Precious Memories that we will try with the help of God to write an obituary of Melba J. Chapman.

Melba was born on April 29, 1911 in Pike County, Kentucky.

She deceased this life on July 9, 1979 in the Cleveland Clinic.

She was the Daughter of the late Don Varney and is survived by her Mother Mrs. Mintie Varney of Delbarton, West Virginia.

She is also survived by her Husband Oscar Chapman of Lorain, Ohio to whom she was married for 52 years, one Son Conard Lee of Virginia, and three Daughters, Mrs. Clara Sutz and Mrs. Gus Moore of Lorain, Ohio and Mrs. Robert Bush of Amherst, Ohio. She also leaves nine Grandchildren, two Brothers Willie and John L. Varney of Delbarton, West Virginia and one Sister Mrs. Elmer Thonrsberry of Stone, Kentucky, and a host of Friends and Relatives to mourn her loss.

She was a member of the United Baptist Church of Delbarton, West Virginia. She had lived the past 14 years in Lorain, Ohio where she had made many Friends. Sister Melba loved to go to the Pleasant View Church in Litchfield, Ohio. She also told me no matter how bad she felt in body she always seemed to feel better once she got to Church. Her smiling face will be missed at the Pleasant View Church and at her home with Brother Oscar, but our loss is Heaven's gain, and all of the members of the Church loved her and Brother Oscar so much.

To the Children I would like to say we will miss her but if you ever want to see her again you must be Born Again.

Written by her Brother and Sister in Christ  
Elder David Baisden  
Sister Minta Gay Gilman





## CECIL BRADLEY

I will try and write an obituary of my dear beloved brother in hope. Brother Cecil Bradley. He was the son of the late John and Mary Bradley. Brother Cecil was born in Floyd County, Kentucky, August 2, 1908 and departed this life September 26, 1978. Making his stay here seventy years, one month, and twenty-four days.

Brother Cecil was united in marriage to Bessie Ousley Lafferty on April 1, 1941 and to this union was born no children. He is survived by his wife Bessie and a stepson Willard Lafferty, four step-grandchildren, and two brothers, also a host of friends to mourn his loss.

Brother Cecil joined the Old Regular Baptist Church on the third Saturday in July 1977 at his home and was baptized by Elder Walk Sturgell and Edgar Little. So I would like to say to his loved ones and friends, "If you want to see brother Cecil again, get right with God and be born again." It's not God's will that anyone should perish but come to repentance and live for the Lord. Brother Cecil was a man who for many years enjoyed seeing brothers and sisters of the church come visit with him and his wife Bessie and talk about the Lord. He welcomed all who entered his home with much love. How we all will miss this good brother, but I believe our loss is heaven's gain. So loved ones don't grieve about those who die in the Lord.

MAY GOD BLESS EVERYONE OF YOU.

Written by our brother in hope  
Elder Walk Sturgell

## HOBERT BRANHAM

It is with great sorrow and broken hearts, we will try to write an obituary of our Beloved uncle, Hobert Branham.

Hobert was born August 10, 1923 and departed this life on January 21, 1979 making his stay on this earth 55 years, 5 months, and 11 days. He was the son of Parry and Mary Branham. Left to mourn his passing are his sisters, Lassa Little of Dayton, Ohio, Callie Roberts, Lila Mullins, Fairbelle Roberts, Dessie Little, all of Pike County, Ky., Bessie Branham of Letcher County, Ky., and one brother Adam Branham of Dayton, Ohio.

Hobert lived in Booker Fork on Caney Creek of Pike County, Ky., until a few years ago when he moved to Dayton, Ohio and made his home with Willie and Lassa Little until his death. He is sadly missed by all his many friends and family including several nieces and nephews.

Written by Ernest and Sandra Little



## STATISTICAL TABLE

### CHURCHES

|                             | Received by Baptism | Received by Letter | Recommendation | Restored | Dismissed by Letter | Excluded | Deceased | Total Membership | Meeting Time | Contributions |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------|----------|---------------------|----------|----------|------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Little Rebecca              | 2                   | 1                  | 0              | 0        | 0                   | 0        | 0        | 84               | 3            | \$175.00      |
| Little Jewell               | 4                   | 0                  | 0              | 3        | 3                   | 2        | 2        | 67               | 4            | 150.00        |
| Maggie Home                 | 1                   | 0                  | 0              | 0        | 0                   | 1        | 2        | 56               | 1            | 125.00        |
| Little Polly                | 1                   | 0                  | 0              | 0        | 0                   | 0        | 0        | 15               | 2            | 60.00         |
| Mt. Zion                    | 2                   | 0                  | 0              | 0        | 0                   | 0        | 0        | 20               | 1            | 50.00         |
| Little Flock                | 0                   | 3                  | 0              | 0        | 0                   | 0        | 1        | 37               | 3            | 100.00        |
| Little Ruth                 | 1                   | 0                  | 0              | 0        | 0                   | 0        | 2        | 25               | 2            | 65.00         |
| Little Memory               | 0                   | 0                  | 0              | 0        | 0                   | 0        | 0        | 26               | 2            | 100.00        |
| Little Edna                 | 2                   | 6                  | 0              | 1        | 0                   | 4        | 0        | 28               | 4            | 50.00         |
| Little Ida                  | 3                   | 2                  | 0              | 0        | 4                   | 11       | 2        | 108              | 1            | 250.00        |
| Little Flossie              | 1                   | 2                  | 0              | 0        | 1                   | 2        | 0        | 29               | 1            | 150.00        |
| Little Zion                 | 3                   | 0                  | 0              | 1        | 2                   | 2        | 0        | 48               | 2            | 100.00        |
| Little Pilgrim's Home       | 6                   | 6                  | 0              | 0        | 1                   | 0        | 0        | 37               | 2            | 75.00         |
| Mt. Olivet                  | 0                   | 0                  | 0              | 0        | 0                   | 0        | 0        | 12               | 4            | 75.00         |
| Pleasant View               | 2                   | 1                  | 0              | 0        | 0                   | 3        | 1        | 62               | 1            | 150.00        |
| Little Family               | 0                   | 0                  | 0              | 0        | 0                   | 0        | 0        | 23               | 2            | 110.00        |
| Little Angel                | 1                   | 1                  | 0              | 0        | 2                   | 1        | 1        | 55               | 4            | 175.00        |
| Antioch                     | 5                   | 4                  | 0              | 0        | 0                   | 1        | 1        | 50               | 1            | 150.00        |
| Rose of Sharon              | 0                   | 1                  | 0              | 0        | 0                   | 0        | 0        | 26               | 2            | 100.00        |
| Lilly of the Valley         | 1                   | 1                  | 0              | 0        | 9                   | 0        | 0        | 19               | 2            | 60.00         |
| Little Children's Home      | 0                   | 0                  | 0              | 0        | 0                   | 0        | 0        | 19               | 3            | 100.00        |
| Morning Star                | 15                  | 1                  | 0              | 0        | 3                   | 7        | 1        | 61               | 3            | 200.00        |
| Little Bethel               | 2                   | 1                  | 0              | 0        | 0                   | 0        | 1        | 19               | 1            | 50.00         |
| Family of Love              | 1                   | 0                  | 0              | 0        | 0                   | 1        | 0        | 24               | 4            | 50.00         |
| House of Prayer             | 5                   | 2                  | 0              | 0        | 0                   | 0        | 3        | 75               | 1            | 125.00        |
| Macedonia                   | 0                   | 0                  | 0              | 0        | 0                   | 0        | 3        | 58               | 3            | 100.00        |
| Church Contributions        |                     |                    |                |          |                     |          |          |                  |              | \$2,895.00    |
| Picture Contributions       |                     |                    |                |          |                     |          |          |                  |              | 350.00        |
| Congregations Contributions |                     |                    |                |          |                     |          |          |                  |              | 548.39        |
| Grand Total                 | 58                  | 32                 | 0              | 5        | 25                  | 35       | 20       | 1,083            |              | \$3,793.39    |



# Obituaries

## OBITUARY OF VINA B. ADKINS

With a broken heart, we will try by the help of God to write an obituary of our dear mother, Vina B. Adkins. She was born September 3, 1903 in Breathitt County, Ky. and passed away July 19, 1979, making her stay on earth 75 years, 10 months and 16 days. She was the daughter of the late Alex and Jane Lacey Birchfield. She was the widow of the late Alfred Adkins of Greasy Creek, Ky., who passed away December 10, 1968. Mother leaves three sons and six daughters: Erwin and Howard of Goshen, Indiana, Morwin of Edwardsburg, Michigan, Mella Hall, Myra Thacker of Greasy Creek, Ky., Ellen Dole of Lancaster, Ohio, Dessie Charles and Phyllis Adkins of Goshen, Indiana, four brothers: Arthur Birchfield of Peru, Indiana, Lonnie of Warren, Michigan, Calvin of Johns Creek, Ky., Charles of Greasy Creek, Ky., four sisters: Rissie Sexton of Burkett, Indiana, Virgie Phillips, of Warren, Michigan, Delphia Bray of Island Creek, Ky., Nannie Dotson of Phelps, Ky., 28 grandchildren and 36 great-grandchildren. She made her home in Goshen, Indiana for the past 12 years. She passed away in the Goshen General Hospital after a long illness. Mother has been a member of Greasy Creek Old Regular Baptist Church for the past 16 years. She was baptized April 1, 1963 by Elders Tommy Adkins and Jimmy Hall. Mother lived her religion everyday of her life and everyone who knew her loved her. While she was in the hospital her doctors and nurses would comment what a sweet patient she was. She never complained and enjoyed everybody that visited her. Our home is so empty and lonely and we feel so all alone, but we pray someday to see her in that other land, and see her sweet smiling face and pat her little hands.

Written by her loving children,  
Erwin, Mella, Mertin, Ellen, Myra,  
Dessie, Howard, Morwin, and Phyllis



## EDNA DELORES (JOHNSON) BLACKBURN

It is with an aching heart, but wonderful memories, that I will try, by the help of God, to write an obituary of my dear Mother, Edna Delores (Johnson) Blackburn.

Mom was born to Charlie and Marie (Crigger) Johnson on July 25, 1942 in Canada, Kentucky and died May 18th, 1979 in Elyria, Ohio. Making her stay on earth 36 years and 10 months.

Mom married Dad, Stony Blackburn, on December 28, 1959 in Clintwood, Virginia. Born to this union was one daughter, Sherry Lynn. Mom leaves to mourn her death, her husband, Stony and daughter, Sherry Lynn, both of Elyria, Ohio, par-



ents, Charlie and Marie (Crigger) Johnson of Sidney, Kentucky, one sister, Mary Charlene (Johnson) Stanton of Pikeville, Kentucky and a grandfather, Otis Johnson, of Florida, and many aunts and uncles, cousins, and loving friends.

Mom never joined the church, but she regularly attended the Pleasant View Church of Old Regular Baptist, where my Dad belongs. I know as well as everyone who knew her, that she was a Christian. She filled her seat at the Pleasant View Church more than some of the members did.

Mom was a wonderful wife to Dad and stayed by his side until her death. She was also a wonderful Mother as well as a friend to me. She did without to give to me. She loved everyone and everything, especially little babies.

Mom will be missed by her family and the many friends, who loved her. Her seat at church will literally be empty, but she is there in Spirit. I can't begin to say just how wonderful she was, so in her memory, I wrote a little poem:

### A MOTHER'S LOVE

A mother's Love is a wonderful thing,  
I have found through-out the year.  
She is always there to comfort and love,  
and to take away the tears.

My Mom was the best friend I ever had,  
and there will never be,  
No other friend like my mom,  
Like the friend, she was to me.

In my mom, I saw a christian,  
She tried to teach me right.  
I will not turn away from the things she taught,  
In her, I saw a light.

I am glad I had the chance to say,  
I love you Mom, so much.  
I am proud of you and need to feel,  
The warmth of your gentle touch.

I want to see my mom, someday,  
In the sweet, bye and bye.  
I will never forget the times, she's say,  
A Mother's Love will never die.

Written by: Her Loving daughter,  
Sherry Lynn Blackburn

Her memorial will be preached on June 1st of 1980 at the Pleasant View Church.



September 15, 16, & 17, 1978

## Northern New Salem Association, Ecorse, Michigan (Little Ida Church)

Brethren:

We wish to offer you our sincere condolence in the passing from this world of trouble and sorrow and sickness into ever-lasting Glory and Peace an able and well-beloved soldier of the army of God, Elder Roy B. Akers.

Words fail us in trying to portray our grief and great loss in his regrettable departure, but "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his Saints".

The work he did in the Vineyard stands as a memorial to his Spiritual Greatness and will linger in our hearts forever. Be sure, his untiring efforts and indescribable talents cannot, by poor puny mortals, be enumerated, but will not go unnoticed by our King who will reward him with a long white robe and a crown of never-fading Glory and a life free from suffering and sorrow and disappointments while eternal ages roll on. An example so great will never be lost. He fell like a martyr, he died at his post. He now belongs to the ages.

To his dear companion we wish to express our deep sorrow for the lonely life that you are confronted with, but God is good and all-wise and can heal your broken heart and give you courage to go on until our Savior calls you to that sweet reunion in the Celestial Clime.

To all who love Brother Roy, we can only say, "Press on in the good old way and endeavor to meet him in Heaven."

Written by John M. Mullins by order of the Union Association,

Elder John C. Layne, Moderator,  
Elder Fon Bowling, Assistant Moderator,  
Brother John M. Mullins, Clerk,  
Brother Jesse L. Williamson, Assistant Clerk.

Let us never depart from what sayeth the word of God.

(1) Let younger brethren always be reminded that they are to be courteous, and to treat elder brethren as fathers.

(2) All churches and moderators should bear in mind that when a church is newly organized and has elected its officers, they become an independent working body.

(3) Be ye also reminded that all preaching brethren should be courteous and kind one to another, and to never, no never, be guilty of telling visiting brethren that you don't need their help. It's an open violation against you to do so.

(4) Let all our churches be reminded that they are not to lord anything over a sister church in regards to the way they take communion. If you do not feel right in taking the communion the way sister churches practice it, please excuse yourself quietly, and don't talk, or make remarks as to their failures, or the way they have been taught. Remember, it is still God's house and you may be held responsible to God for the remarks that you make concerning them or about them.

Dear brethren, if you meet with brethren who handle loose talk, or tell tales on other brethren, don't join in with them, lest you become as guilty as they. But rather shame them and kindly ask them not to talk and make remarks about the imperfections of their brethren. If a brother has aught against another let him do as the Bible says: "Go to them, and them alone." If you regard my advice as unselfish, and coming from the heart, you will obey it. I feel that if you will practice these simple rules it will help to bring about a great and unbounding peace to our association.

Humbly, your unworthy moderator—  
Elder Baxter Osborne