

# Obsequies

of

## Mrs. Verdie Powell Dillon

1885 - 1980



February 11, 1980

3:00 p. m.

**St. James United Methodist Church**

Magnolia, Miss.

Rev. Ellis Lynch, Pastor

## Obituary

Sunset and evening star,  
And one clear call for me;  
And may there be no moaning at the bar,  
When I put out to sea.

Mrs. Verdie P. Dillon was born to Hilery and Laura Powell, Oct. 15, 1885 in Mound Bayou, Mississippi.

She was married to the late Mr. O.W. Dillon who preceded her in death.

At an early age, Mrs. Dillon united with the Methodist Church and since then has been an active member of St. James United Methodist Church, Magnolia, Mississippi. She was a faithful member of the choir, United Methodist Women Organization and a dedicated Sunday School teacher.

Although Mrs. Dillon's public service to education was in Louisiana, she remained a loyal citizen to Magnolia and surrounding areas of Pike County.

Her interests in mankind, civic and educational organizations were reflected in her active affiliations in the Lillie Mae Bryant Federated Club and the Local, State and National Retired Teacher's Association.

Even though Mrs. Dillon had no children of her own, she became a mother to countless children in the surrounding areas of Louisiana and Mississippi, included among them is a devoted son, Melburne Dillon, and his wife, Mrs. Louise Dillon.

Other survivors are six grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren; Mrs. Bonita Ratliff, niece; Mr. Austine Dillon, brother-in-law; Mrs. Ollie Lawrence, sister-in-law; and a host of other nieces and nephews.

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"Like a shock of corn that ripens in its seasons, she enjoyed the spring of life, endured the toil of summer, culled the fruits of autumn and passed through the rigors of winter, all to embrace the joy and bliss of eternal years."

AND NOW SHE RESTS.

# Order of Service

Mistress of Ceremonies ..... Mrs. Ella Whaley

Prelude .....

Processional .....  
James Johnson

Song .....

Scripture .....

Prayer .....

Duet ..... Jackie Kerney, Darryl Patterson

Remarks .....

Acknowledgements ..... Mrs. Geneva Patterson

Obituary ..... Read Silently  
(Soft Music)

Solo ..... Mrs. Lydia Johnson

Eulogy ..... Rev. Ellis Lynch, Pastor

Recessional .....

## **Honorary Pallbearers**

Melburne Dillon

Kenneth D. Dillon

Wendell A. Dillon

Carl G. Dillon

Robert Ratliff

## **Active Pallbearers**

Leo Whaley

Claude Hill

Eugene Patterson

Charlie Brumfield

James Johnson

## **Flower Bearers**

(Friends of the Family)

## **Interment:**

United Cemetery Association

Magnolia, Mississippi

## **Arrangements By:**

Enterprise Funeral Home

McComb, Mississippi

## **In Appreciation**

Perhaps you sent a lovely card,  
Or sat tearfully in a chair,  
Perhaps you came by our home,  
If so, we saw you there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words,  
That any friend could say.  
Perhaps you were not there at all,  
Just thought of us that day.  
Whatever you did to console our hearts,  
We thank you so much, whatever the part.  
(The Dillon Family)