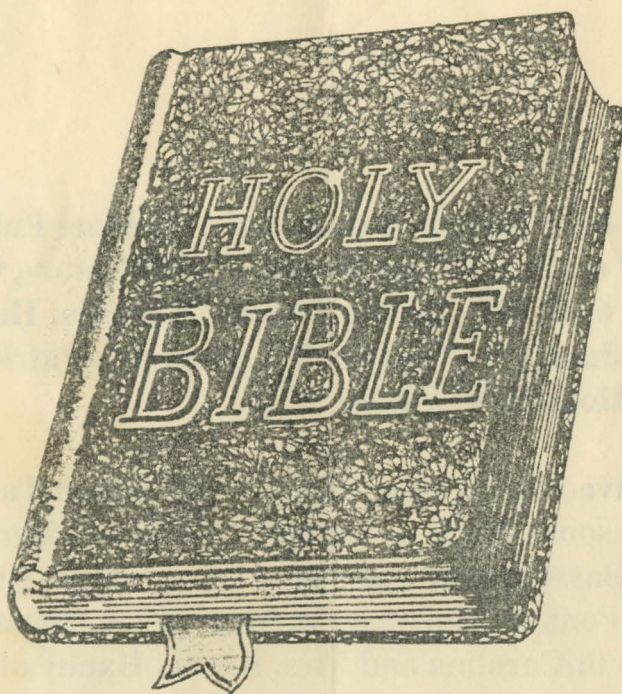


Homegoing Service
for
Robert Thomas Tatum



Tuesday, June 6, 1995
2:00 P.M.
Howell Funeral Home Chapel

OBITUARY

**But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength;
they shall mount up wings as eagles; they shall run,
and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.
(Isaiah 40:31)**

Brother Robert Thomas Tatum, son of the late Robert Price Tatum and the late Nannie Frances Cobb Tatum, was born September 6, 1918 in Patrick County, Virginia. He departed this life on June 3, 1995 at the R.J. Reynolds-Patrick County Memorial Hospital at the age of 76.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Shirley Green Tatum of the home; two sons: Willie T. Tatum of Critz and Darian R. Tatum of Bassett; four daughters: Mrs. Velma Huff of Critz, Mrs. Lois Penn of Martinsville, Mrs. Helen Hickman of Elkin, North Carolina and Mrs. Rachel Handy of Lawsonville, North Carolina; two brothers, Sam and Joe Tatum both of Critz, and a sister, Mrs. Ida Clark, also of Critz. Mr. Tatum had eight grandchildren: Geoffrey MaCray Huff, Chris Holmes, Lauren Penn, China Handy, Anita Huff, Lisa Penn, Gregory Hickman, and Heather Tatum.

ORDER OF SERVICE

(Presiding - Bishop James Reynolds)

The Prelude

The Processional

Song-"Thunder" (Mt. Nebo and True Gospel Choirs)

The Scriptures:

Old Testament-Minister David Penn

New Testament-Minister Leander Reynolds

The Prayer of Consolation-Overseer Samuel Hagwood

Song-(Mt. Nebo and True Gospel Choirs)

The Acknowledgments:

The Obituary-Barbara Penn

Remarks-Visting Ministers

Song-"Going Up Yonder" (Mt. Nebo and True Gospel Choirs)

Eulogy- Vice Bishop Willie Reynolds

Song-"Amazing Grace" (Mt. Nebo and True Gospel Choirs)

The Recessional

Interment-Patrick Memorial Gardens

**(The Family will be receiving friends at the Mt. Nebo Church
following the funeral services)**

PALLBEARERS

Leonard Clark

David Clark

Melvin Clark

Robert Tatum

Joey Tatum

Kenneth Reynolds

FLOWERBEARERS

Nieces and Friends

Family,
Please don't be so sad,
I miss you so much too.
It's beautiful here where I am,
But I worry a lot about you.
I sleep with angels watching me,
there's only love up here...
I am never lonely or afraid,
'Cause God is so very near.
I walk with Jesus everyday
He's very kind and sweet,
Don't worry family for I am full of joy
when I walk that golden street.
I never cry or worry
I see our love ones every day...
I laugh and sing a lot,
and I hear you when you pray.
Please my family, do not be mad at God;
You see, he really loves me too,
and even though you're not with me,
I'm really still with you.

The Family

APPRECIATION

On behalf of the family we wish to express
their gratitude for your many kindnesses
evidenced in thought and deed, and for your
attendance at the funeral services.

Thank You

Howell Funeral Home