

The Faith That Comforts

*I go to life and not to death
From darkness to life's native sky;
I go from sickness and from pain
To health and immortality.
Let our farewell, then, be tearless,
Since I bid farewell to tears;
Write this day of my departure
Festive in your coming years.*

—Horatius Bonar

Pallbearers

Jimmie Edwards
Thomas Foust
John Maxwell

Connie Patton
Henry Richardson
Samuel Reid

Honorary Pallbearers

Officers of First United Presbyterian Church

Honorary Flower Bearers

Missionary Circle No. 3 of First United Presbyterian
Les Pierrettes
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority
Black Women's Caucus

Acknowledgements

It is with deep gratitude that the family acknowledges every thought and expression of kindness.

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Funeral Service

For
MRS. ETHEL WYCHE MARTIN



Monday, September 7, 1981 at 11:00 A.M.
FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
210 EAST 7TH STREET · CHARLOTTE, N.C.

The Rev. Dr. J. W. Smith, Sr., Pastor Emeritus
The Rev. Dr. Raymond Worsley, Pastor
Mr. James Flanders, Jr., Directing the Choir
Mrs. Anne Lutz, Organist
Mr. Charles McRae, Guest Musician



Obituary

Mrs. Ethel Wyche Martin, daughter of the late Dr. Allen Atkins Wyche and Mrs. Ethel Davis Wyche, departed this life on Friday, September 4, 1981, in Charlotte, North Carolina, the city of her birth.

She attended the public schools of Charlotte and graduated from Second Ward High School, earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Atlanta Univeristy, Atlanta, Georgia, and did further study at Columbia University, New York City.

At an early age she became an active member of Ebenezer Baptist Church. After her marriage to Mr. T. M. (Jack) Martin, she affiliated with Seventh Street Presbyterian Church, now first United Presbyterian. She loved her church and gave unstintingly of her time, talent, and financial support. In addition to serving as treasurer of the church, she was also a member of the Deacon Board, the Sunday School Staff, United Presbyterian Women, Circle No. 3, the Tutorial Program Staff, and various committees.

Her other affiliations included membership in Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Les Pierrettes Social Club (co-founder), and the Black Women's Caucus. In addition to being a Co-founder of the Caucus, she spent many hours in the community working with voter registration and encouraging greater political participation among Blacks.

During her many years as a teacher in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools, she taught at Second Ward and J. H. Gunn High Schools, and retired from teaching while at Cochrane Jr. High School. She was an excellent teacher and a source of inspiration to many children.

Exceptionally talented, Ethel was loyal, conscientious, and dependable in all endeavors. She was a devoted, dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, relative and friend.

Preceded in death by her sister, Mrs. Lucille Wyche Patton, and her brother, Dr. Rudolph M. Wyche, Ethel is survived by her husband, T. M. Martin; a daughter, Carolyn Martin Wilson; a granddaughter, Andree M. Wilson; a son-in-law, Clarence Wilson, and other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

- PROCESSIONAL "Jesu, Joy Of Man's Desiring" Bach
 MINISTER: Our help is in the name of the Lord.
 PEOPLE: Who made heaven and earth.
 MINISTER: Praise the Lord.
 PEOPLE: The Lord's name be praised.
- HYMN No. 88
 "God Of Our Life, Through All The Circling Years"
 MINISTER: Let us confess our sin, trusting God's promised mercy.
 PEOPLE: Eternal Father, Guardian of our lives; we confess that we are children of the dust, unworthy of your gracious care. Forgive our sin and raise us to new life, so that we may serve you, until dying, we enter the joy of your presence: Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- DOXOLOGY No. 94
 SOLO Mr. Sammy Stevenson, Guest Soloist
 "A City Called Heaven"
- OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE Isaiah 43:1-3
 NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE I Corinthians 16:51-58
 SOLO Dr. Mary T. Harper, Soloist
 "My Task"
- EULOGY Dr. Worsley
 ANTHEM
 PRAYER OF COMMUNION OF SAINTS
 BENEDICTION
 RECESSIONAL Dvorak
 "Going Home"
- INTERMENT West Pinewood Cemetery