

## Why Are We Here?

The Purpose Of A  
Funeral Service

### We are here to Honor the Departed ,

At a funeral service we "Pay our respects," we say by our presence. "This person was significant in my life, and his/her death leaves a void. I simply must take note of what has happened. I want and need to commemorate this event (the death of my friend) in company with others. It is a sad time, but I'm truly glad to be here, grateful for this opportunity to honor my friend."

### To Comfort the Bereaved

The family of the deceased urgently needs the assurance that friends care. A funeral service is one way to meet this need, one way for us to say, "I want to be with you. I want to share your grief and to ease the pain. I want to offer my love and to pledge my continuing concern."

In addition to attending the funeral service, we may send flowers, write a warm personal letter of condolence or perhaps take in some food. All these acts say that we care, and they do make bereavement a little more bearable.

In a Christian funeral service comfort is conveyed through the Scripture and prayers. God says, "Your loved one has a dwelling place with Me. Moreover, my Spirit is constantly with you—so have no fear about the one who has passed on nor about your own ability to cope with the future."

### To Worship Together

When we worship together we are reminded with gratitude that although we do not know what the future holds, we do know Who holds the future.

### To Remind Ourselves of a Continuing Responsibility

While waiting for the service to begin, we should spend a few minutes pondering such questions as, "How can I help to relieve the loneliness of the family now, today? How can I give practical proof of my love and concern next week, next month, and next year? Grief is not healed in an instant. If the process is to continue, some must go on caring

We are reminded of the parable of the talents, "Well done, good and faithful servant, you have been faithful over a little. I will set you over much, enter into the joy of your Master."

## Tom M. Wages

**FUNERAL SERVICE, INC.**

Our Family Serving The Profession Since 1949  
Tom M. Wages, President and Owner

## In Memory Of . . .

Mrs. Mattie Brownlee Yancey

August 13, 1891

to

June 14, 1987

### MINISTERS

Rev. Thomas L. Jordan

Rev. Don Hardison

Rev. Fred D. Musser

### FUNERAL SERVICE

Tuesday - June 16, 1987

2:00 o'clock

Chestnut Grove Baptist Church  
Grayson, Georgia

### INTERMENT

Church Cemetery

### SURVIVORS

8 Children:

M/M Raymond C. (Lear) Martin

M/M Cecil (Imogene) Hannah

M/M Gene (Kathleen) Rice

ALL OF SNELLVILLE

Mr. Ethan E. Yancey

M/M Charles (Nettie) Yancey

M/M Herbert (Lucille) Yancey

M/M Thomas (Eunice) Yancey

ALL OF LOGANVILLE

M/M Cecil (Bea) Yancey

OF BARNWELL, S.C.

2 Daughters-in-law:

Mrs. Joe (Eunice) Yancey

Mrs. Hulon (Vivian) Yancey

BOTH OF LOGANVILLE

2 Brothers:

M/M Terrell Brownlee of Decatur

M/M George Brownlee of Lilburn

9 Grandchildren, Several Great  
Grandchildren, Nieces, and  
Nephews.