

### **Pallbearers**

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### **Loving Memories**

*Your gentle face and patient smile  
With sadness we recall,  
You had a kindly word for each  
And died beloved by all.  
The voice is mute and stilled the heart  
That loved us well and true,  
Ah, bitter was the trial to part  
From one so good as you.  
You are not forgotten loved one  
Nor will you ever be,  
As long as life and memory last  
We will remember thee.*

**THE FAMILY**

**In Loving Memory  
of  
Mrs. Odelia Alford Murdock  
(1900 - 1994)**



**Thursday, February 10, 1994  
2:00 p.m.**

**Centennial A.M.E. Zion Church  
Bear Creek, North Carolina**

**Reverend Charles J. Chalmers, Pastor  
Officiating**



## Order of Service

PRELUDE .....Mrs. Mary Moffitt, Pianist  
(Soft Music)

PROCESSIONAL

HYMN ..... "Pass Me Not Oh Gentle Saviour"

SCRIPTURE

    OLD TESTAMENT .....Rev. Cora McIver

    NEW TESTAMENT .....Rev. Preston Marsh

PRAYER

SOLO .....Mrs. Mary Moffitt

REMARKS .....Mrs. Shelby W. Marsh

RESOLUTIONS &

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS .....Louvenia McIntosh

OBITUARY .....(Read Silently)

SOLO .....Anissa Thompson

EULOGY .....Rev. Charles Chalmers

PARTING VIEW

RECESSIONAL

INTERMENT

### Acknowledgements

*The flowers you sent that day,  
The cards you mailed along the way,  
The service you stopped by to render  
The gift you bought with thought so tender  
The prayers you said which played a part  
In easing the pain that was in our hearts,  
Each helped us to find that strength to bear  
The loss of the one we held so dear,  
It was to us a great comfort indeed  
To see you in the time of sorrow and need  
So from our hearts which you tried to help mend,  
We thank you sincerely again and again  
For being such wonderful friends.*

THE FAMILY

## Mamma

### "A Virtuous Woman"

Proverbs 31:10-31

*Dear Lord, I need your help today,  
Someone special has gone away.  
I need the strength that you can give  
Each single moment that I live.  
She fulfilled your prophecy here on earth;  
That of a virtuous woman (Proverbs 31)  
"Give her of the fruit of her hands;  
And let her own works praise her in the gates."  
She was many things to many people  
But she will always be "Mamma" to me.  
From her bosom I could always go  
For wisdom and strength. (Proverbs 26)  
"She openeth her mouth with wisdom;  
And in her tongue is the law of kindness."  
She taught me patience to wait on the Lord  
And count my blessings.  
She taught me that the simplest things in life  
Are to be treasured...  
For she raised three generations of children  
With nothing more than pure faith.  
How proud you must be of her, Lord,  
She fulfilled all the duties of a virtuous woman  
Here on earth with such expertise.  
I can hear you saying  
"Well done, my good and faithful servant, Well done."*

*Striving to be your replica,  
Valencia*

## Obituary

ODELIA ALFORD MURDOCK was the daughter of the late Ovidiah and Henrietta Alford. She was born in Dillon, South Carolina on September 15, 1900 and departed this life at Central Carolina Hospital, Sanford, N.C. on Saturday, February 5, 1994.

She was a member of the Centennial A.M.E. Zion Church, Bear Creek, N.C. where she was a member of the Missionary Department. She was a former member of the Bonlee-Bear Creek Home Demonstration Club and also a member of the Golden Agers Club. Mrs. Odelia was a midwife to many and was loved by all.

She was united in holy matrimony to Mr. Jerry Murdock, Sr. To this union, six children were born. Four of them preceded her in death: Jerry, Emma, Rob and Ray. She also had one foster daughter who preceded her in death, Mrs. Allie M. Bynum.

Surviving are: two sons, Mr. Frank Ervin Murdock of the home and Mr. Carl Eugene Murdock of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; 39 grandchildren; 69 great-grandchildren; 15 great-great-grandchildren; Gladys Swinton, Upper Marlboro, MD, and a host of other relatives and friends.

