

## *Pall Bearers*

Oakland Lodge #501

## *Floral Bearers*

Unity Chapter #522-A Order of Eastern Star

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The family wishes to thank all of the various expressions of sympathy during the sad hours through which they are passing. The floral designs, telegrams, cards, calls, prayers, food and all the expressions of sympathy are a testimony to a life beautifully lived. They will be a solace to the family in the days that lie ahead. May God bless each of you.

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Final Arrangements Entrusted To:

### **KIMES' FUNERAL SERVICES**

Liberty, North Carolina

**(336) 622-4497**

## *Celebration of Life*



*Robert Clayton Marley*

June 19, 1926 - November 17, 2005

*"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."*

II Timothy 4:7

**Tuesday, November 23, 2004**

Visitation: 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm ~~~ Homegoing Service: 2:00 pm

*Oakland Baptist Church*

Ramseur, North Carolina 27316

*Reverend Lawrence Gilmore, Officiating*

# The Obituary

Very quietly and peacefully, on Wednesday, November 17, 2004, while a patient in Moses Cone Hospital, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom, having determined that His child and my beloved husband, had suffered enough, reached down gently, closed his eyes and carried him home.

Clayton, as he was fondly known attended elementary school in Randolph County but after the death of his parents, he had to take on the responsibility of "Big Brother" and "Daddy" to his younger siblings, but later return to school and received his GED from Randolph Community College.

He was married to Virginia Graves in September of 1977. He was a faithful, loving and caring husband and father.

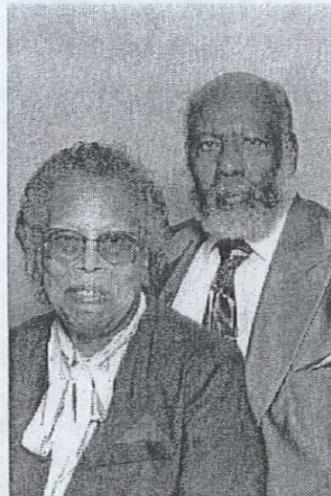
Clayton joined Oakland Baptist Church at an early age. He served in many capacities of the church and the community. He was chairman of the Deacon's Ministry, president of the Layman League, Sunday School teacher, president of the Baptist Training Union, Boy Scout Leader, Past Master of the Oakland Lodge #501 P.H.F. & A., and a member of the Eastern Randolph Advisory Board. He retired from Klopman Mills of Ramseur, NC and Pugh's Lumber Yard of Coleridge, NC.

Left to cherish memories is his wife, Virginia Marley; four stepsons, James Coleman of Asheboro, NC, Raymond Coleman of Redding, PA, Jack (Denise) Coleman of Harrisburg, PA and Daniel (Jackie) Coleman of Ramseur, NC; one stepdaughter, Alice Coleman of Norristown, PA; five sisters, Eva Mae Phelps of Durham NC; Annie Moore of Philadelphia PA; Henrietta Bethune of New York, NY; Alice Mae and Lena Mae Brooks of Ramseur, NC; and a host of nieces and nephews of which some he raised from a very early age and many friends.

*Sometimes it is hard to understand  
Why certain things must be.  
But there is a reason for it all  
Beyond our power to see.*

*But it brings back long remembered things;  
A song, a word, a smile  
And our world is a better place  
Because we had you for a while.*

**Wife, Virginia Marley**



# Order of Service

Prelude..... Organist

Processional

Hymn Choir

Scriptures

Old Testament ..... Rev. A.W. Waddell

New Testament..... Elder Dean Staley

Prayer ..... Rev. Lawrence Gilmore

Selection

Acknowledgements, Condolences and Obituary

Remarks ..... Elder Dean Staley, *Representing the Community*

Jason Goldston, *Representing the Church*

*(Please limit your remarks to 2 to 3 minutes)*

Solo..... Elder Mary E. Jackson

Eulogy..... Reverend Lawrence Gilmore

*Pastor of Oakland Baptist Church, Ramseur, NC*

## Funeral Directors in Charge

Interment..... Oakland Cemetery

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