

*A Poem Selected by the Family to  
Grannie*

*In tears we tried to reach you  
Before you faded away;  
Our hearts were truly broken  
We wanted you to stay.  
But when we saw you sleeping,  
So peacefully and free from pain,  
How could we wish you back with us  
To suffer that again.  
It broke our hearts to lose you,  
But you did not go alone.  
For part of us went with you  
The day God took you home.*

*Sorrowfully,  
The Family*

**Pallbearers**

Masons, Light of the World Lodge #711

**Honorary Pallbearers**

Lambert Chapel Deacon  
Lambert Chapel Trustees

**Floral Bearers**

Eastern Stars, Friendship Chapter #521  
Lambert Chapel Deaconesses  
Lambert Chapel Missionaries

**Acknowledgements**

The family wishes to express appreciation to its  
friends for the many acts of kindness, flowers,  
cards and food during the illness and passing  
of our Beloved one.

**Arrangement**

Farrar Funeral Home  
Siler City, North Carolina

*In Loving Memory*

*For*

*Mattie Lee Paige*

(1902 – 2002)



Sunday, April 14, 2002  
3:00 p.m.

Lambert Chapel Baptist Church  
510 Lambert Chapel Church Road  
Siler City, N. C.

Reverend William Harrington  
Officiating



**The Home Going Celebration for  
Mattie Lee Johnson Paige  
(October 26, 1902- April 9, 2002)**

Reverend William Harrington, Officiating

Visitation of Family

Eastern Stars (Memorial Service)

Prelude

Selection ..... "Hold to God's Unchanging Hand"

Scriptures.....Old Testament  
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort..... Deacon Milton Johnson

Selection....."After While"  
Lambert Chapel Choir

Acknowledgements.....Ms. Ava Siler

Obituary.....Ms. Ava Siler

Solo.....Ms. Doreatha Martin

Remarks.....Rev. Dr. Mattie Walden  
Family  
Friends

Selection.....Family

Eulogy.....Rev. William Harrington

**Recessional and Parting View**

Interment-Church Cemetery

*Obituary of Mattie L. Johnson Paige*

*Mattie Lee Johnson Paige*, the first child of Robert and Fannie Hooker

Johnson of Goldston, NC, was born October 26, 1902 and departed her life on April 9, 2002 following a lengthy illness. She had eleven siblings. She was preceded in death by: Leo Johnson, Jewel Dark (Herman), Astor W. Johnson (Alma Headen), Joncie Mae Watson (Robert), Ida Bynum, Bob Carson Johnson, Carlie Johnson, Jasper Turner (brother-in-law). She is survived by: Nathalia Turner, Clara Donnell (John), Milton Johnson (Ellawese), Juanita Powell (Arthur), and one brother-in-law, Lonnie Bynum.

Mattie joined Roberts Chapel Baptist Church at the age of 11 years old. Her formal education went through the 9th grade. She also attended summer school at Shaw University in Raleigh, NC and Bennett College in Greensboro, NC. She was married to Joe Clemon Paige of Siler City, who preceded her in death. She had one daughter, Omega Fox (Glen, deceased) and a stepson, Clarence Mason. She had 9 grandchildren, from her one daughter. They are: Lofus "LT", Rynold Conway (JoeAnn), Glenn "Buck"(Gladys), Jeannie Thomas (Edward, deceased), Eddie (Juanita), Gwendolyn Baldwin, Cora Lee Glover (Alonzo), Henry, and Joe. Mattie was blessed with 13 great-grandchildren: Tina Rankin (Brian), Dwight Foxx, Tinnette Foxx Siler (Stacey), Jermaine Thomas, Chadwick Baldwin, Donald Foxx (Michelle), Ronald Foxx (Jennifer), Chanda Foxx, Christopher Foxx, Yvonne Foxx, Brittney Foxx, Joy Staley and Lesley Foxx. She was blessed with 5 great,

great-grandchildren-Mario, Chincez, Marquez, Antonio, and Jeron. She also is survived by a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Highlights of her church activities: Mattie was a past president of the Missionary Circle. She was a choir member and senior manager of the choir. She taught Sunday School, Vacation Bible School and Sunday School Workshops. Mattie was on the Usher Board and was a Mother Usher as well as an assistant to the secretary of the Usher's Union. She was a Deaconess and a Junior Church leader. Mattie was a member to the Women Convention Auxiliary to the Deep River Association (1943 – 1976) and the Executive Board. She also worked with the Baptist Training Union (BTU) and the Sunday School Convention, currently named Congress of Christain Education.

Her community activities: Mattie was president of the Lambert and Jordan Home Demonstration Club. She worked as a Community leader for the 4H boys and girls of West Circle Drive and she was a member of the 4H Club Foundation of North Carolina. Also, she was a home agent for 15 home demonstration clubs in Chatham County and helped raise funds (\$997) to build the Chatham County Fair Exhibit Hall. Mattie was the last charter member of the Chatham Lee Credit Union, which was organized in 1956 and she was a County Red Cross Chairman from 1950 to 1965. She served as past secretary to Friendship Chapter No. 521 order of Eastern Star and was president of the Golden age club and served until 1978.

Written by Mattie Paige, edited by Family members