

~ Floral Bearers ~

The Nieces

~ Honorary Floral Bearers ~

Women of the Church Aide Club

~ Pallbearers ~

The Nephews

~ Honorary Pallbearers ~

Men of the Church Aide Club

~ Acknowledgment ~

The family acknowledges with grateful appreciation every act of kindness shown during the passing of their loved one. Your prayers, words of consolation, telephone calls, floral expressions, food, visits and all other expressions of love and support were a great comfort to us. Thank you and may God bless each of you.



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A. R. Dumette

In Loving Memory  
Of  
Mrs. Mary Julia Leake

1918

1998



Thursday, April 23, 1998 - 1:00 p.m.

Hickory Grove Baptist Church  
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Pastor C. M. Williams, Pastor-Officiating

## The Obituary

On a beautiful May day in 1918, the sun rose on the family of the late Ernest and Fannie Burnett, blessing them with a lovely daughter, **Mary Julia**.

Her early forenoon was spent in Chatham County, where she attended Chatham County Public Schools. Julia was religiously nurtured in Hamlet Chapel C.M.E. Church.

She was obedient to her parents, cheerful, humble, honest, sincere, and dedicated to her family and friends, and active in church and community.

One of the highlights of her noon was her marriage to Weldon Leake, who preceded her in death. During their fifty years of marriage, she became a loving and devoted mother to Leo, Ernest, Caroldine, Pete, Larry, Clara, Billy, and Facious. Facious preceded her in death. She was a devoted mother-in-law to Pam, Beverly, Joe, Della, Brenda, Kenneth, and Janice. She was a kind and loving Grandmother to fifteen grandchildren, one of whom preceded her in death, and thirteen great grandchildren.

She saw the need to unite, not only in marriage, but religiously with her husband and children at Hickory Grove Missionary Baptist Church, where she remained a loyal and faithful member until her death. The sun set on this life April 20, 1998.

In addition to her children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, she leaves to gaze at her star: two sisters, Clara Dark and Mildred Cotten, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, many nieces, nephews and friends, who will dearly miss her advice, sense of humor and lively spirit.

Julia loved life and lived life to its fullest and shared the spirit with other sojourners.

**HER GRACE WAS CONTAGIOUS AND GOD'S GRACE HAS  
LED HER HOME!**

## The Order Of Service

Prelude

Processional

Opening Hymn

**"Amazing Grace"**

Scripture

Old Testament - Psalms 90 - Rev. I.O. Parrish

New Testament - I Cor. 15:51-58 - Rev. Larry Jones

Prayer Of Comfort

Rev. James Cotton

Acknowledgments

Obituary (read silently)

Selection

**"Precious Lord"**

Eulogy

Pastor C.M. Williams

Selection

**Hallelujah, I'm Going There"**

Mortician-in-charge

Recessional

*John 14 - 1-6*

**Interment**

**Hickory Grove Memorial Garden**

**Chapel Hill, North Carolina**