



*Homegoing
Celebration for
"Leen"*



Mrs. Earline Groves

*Sunrise
August 26, 1929*

*Sunset
July 11, 2008*

**Thursday, July 17, 2008
1:00 P.M.**

**Walden Chapel United Methodist Church
Reverend Martha M. Williams, Pastor**

**Officiating Pastor: Evangelist Donald E. Dickens
Mistress of Ceremony: Minister Annie Williams**

Obituary

“The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name’s sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me in all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.” Psalms 23:1-6

Mrs. Earline Groves entered this world on August 26, 1929, to the late Mr. and Mrs. Willie Smart. She was then raised by her grandmother, Lola Smart, who preceded her in death. One child, one sister and six brothers also preceded her in death.

Earline was a woman of God and lived the most up spirited life. Mrs. Earline was united to the late Mr. Nora Wesley Groves in Goodman, MS. God called one of his roses’ home to fill his garden at 11:20 am on July 11, 2008.

Mrs. Earline leaves to cherish her memories one sister, Henrine Easley of Chicago, IL; one brother, Willie Earl Smart of Chicago, IL; one daughter, Earline Cecilia Burton of Jackson, MS; one son, Morris Groves of Jackson, MS; two grandchildren: Melanie Roshell Groves and Michael Jarod Groves both of Jackson, MS; two special daughters: Linda Jordan of Jackson, MS and Belinda Adams of Ebenezer, MS; several special god children and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Order of Service

Musical prelude

Processional

Selection.....Walden Chapel Choir

Scripture Min. Mattie Coleman

HymnEvangelist Donald Dickens

Prayer.....Rev. Martha Williams

Selection.....Walden Chapel Choir

Resolution.....Walden Chapel

Words of encouragement..... Laurise Jordan

Expression..... *(3 minutes please)* Family and Friends

Obituary and Acknowledgements.....Min. Annie Williams

Solo.....Laquita Weathers

Eulogy.....Evangelist Donald Dickens

Funeral Directors of Randle Memorial Chapel in Charge

You Can Shed Tears That She Is Gone

*You can shed tears that she is gone
Or you can smile because she has lived.*

*You can close your eyes and pray that she'll come back
Or you can open your eyes and see all that she's left.*

*Your heart can be empty because you can't see her
Or you can be full of the love you shared.*

*You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday
Or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.*

*You can remember her and only that she's gone
Or you can cherish her memory and let it live on.*

*You can cry and close your mind,
be empty and turn your back
Or you can do what she'd want:
smile, open your eyes, love and go on.*

Your Son and Daughter

I Will See You Later

Thanks for your kisses and your hugs

The toys and candy by the jugs.

Thanks for the kind words

Do not worry they were surely heard.

We stuck together through thick and thin

We were more than family

We were friends.

If we entered a best friends contest, we would win

Because we stuck together to the very end.

When I needed to be held, you were there,

You ran to my side because you really care.

Being without you, I cannot bear

Because life without you just is not fair.

Your love means more to me than all the water in the sea.

I am glad God gave you to me.

I love you great Mrs. Earline and I will always hold you close

However, I have to let you go because God loves you the most.

Love,

Your Special Daughter Linda

How Do You Say Goodbye?

*How do you say goodbye
To someone you love so dearly,*

*How do you say goodbye,
I never understood so clearly.*

*Saying goodbye is so hard to do,
So I will just say fare well unto you.*

*Lene, I love you and you will always
Be a rose in my heart.*

*Because of the memories
We have, we will never grow apart.*

**Love always and forever,
Your Dolls, Laurise and Larquetta**



Acknowledgements

To you who were so thoughtful in helping here and there, to you who looked to heaven and whispered a silent prayer. To you who held our trembling hand..... The family gratefully acknowledges with sincere appreciation for all your wonderful deeds.

May the Lord bless and keep you in his special way.

Honorary Pallbearers

Morris Grove
Ray Johnson

Lavon Jordan, Jr.
Steven Brown

Active Pallbearers

John Grover
Jerry Howard

Howard Harrison
Terry Moore

Kelvin Wright

Flower Bearers

Family and Friends

Interment

Hillcrest Cemetery
Hwy 51, Goodman, MS 39079

Repast

Walden Chapel Fellowship Hall



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