



## Day of Long Ago

Sometimes I get to dreaming of the days of long ago, And in fantasy I see the face of the friends I used to know. In the happy days of childhood when my heart was free of care, and the sun was always shining and the birds sang everywhere.

In retrospect I view the scene, and oh it seems so good, to live again in memory in that old neighborhood.

Where neighbor lived for neighbor and not for self along, for the happiness of others, as well as for his own.

Once more I seem to travel up a little narrow lane, almost buried out of sight, with fields of yellow grain.

And I came up to a cottage with roses covered o'er.

And there behold my dear old mother as she stands there in the door.

With arms outstretched to greet me with a smile upon her face, and I hear her say, "God Bless You" as I enter her embrace. As I live it o'er in fantasy it just somehow seems to me, it was just about the kind of place that Heaven is going to be.

But soon the dream is ended and I waken with a start, and thoughts of disappointments seem to flow into my heart; for time has wrought it's changes. And the old home is gone today. And the angels came for mother and they bore her soul away.

But it seems I see her waiting, as she did in days of yore, waiting now to greet me up there in Heaven's door and it brings a sweeter pleasure for the dawning of that day. When I will also lay life's troubles and earthly cares away; and stroll up there and meet her. For she's waiting now I know waiting as she used to in the days of long ago.









## Ernestine Jucinda Marshall Coleman

Sunrise ~ September 22, 1921 Sunset ~ January 27, 2018



rnestine Lucinda Marshall Coleman was born to Deacon William Ernest "Dud" Marshall and Mother Inez Cooper on a large farm in the red clay hills of Solgohachia, Arkansas.

Her education had began at an early age in Solgohachia and AM&N College in Pine Bluff, Arkansas. She

later received her B.A. and M.A. degrees from University in Topeka, KS.

She was married to Forest Coleman in 1947 who at the time had twin daughters. To this union four precious children were born: Larry Coleman Sr., Janice, Craig and Forestine. Her husband passed away on April 17, 1993.

At an early age, she committed herself to Christ and was a faithful member at Pilgrim Baptist Church in Topeka, KS.

She was a faithful worker in Kaw Valley District and her community. She was inducted into the PJB State Missionary Hall of Fame in Kansas City, KS, October 2008. She was a member of Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society. She held a lifelong membership in the NAACP. She graduated from the Menninger Bible Class in 1959. She was a Past Worthy Matron of Bethany #7, O.E.S. She retired as a Special Needs Education Teacher from 501 school district in Topeka.

Ernestine was preceded in death by her husband Forest Coleman, father Deacon William Ernest "Dud" Marshall, mother Inez Cooper, sons Larry Coleman Sr, Craig Coleman, twin daughters, Arlene Crump and Darlene Crump.



Survivors include daughters, Janice M. Coleman (Los Angeles, CA), Forestine Pena (Topeka, KS); grandsons, Larry Coleman Jr. (Sebring, FL), Kevin Smith (Topeka, KS); granddaughters, Vicki Crump, Diane Crump both of (Newton, KS); goddaughters, Dionne Banks, Yvette Woods, (Atlanta, GA), Niah Sayles (Kansas City, MO); seven great-grandchildren, five nieces, two nephews, family friends Merle and Paulette Keeling, and Mary Kelly along with a host of other family and friends.



## Onder Of Service

## The Life and Legacy of Emestine Lucinda Mashall Coleman





**Prelude Musicians:**Marcell Stewart and Fred Stewart Jr.

**Processional** 

**Opening Remarks:** Evangelist James Kirtdoll

**Scripture**: Old Testament and New Testament Reverend Larry Crossley

**Prayer** 

Reflections of Love (2 mins.)

Carol Veasley
Sharon Dryden
Reverend Larry Crossley

Acknowledgement of Condolences: Lenora Lee-Johnson

**Obituary** (read in silence): Soft Music

**Musical Selection:** "Swing Low Sweet Chariot" Lenora Lee-Johnson

Words of Comfort: Evangelist James Kirtdoll

**Closing Prayer** 

A Special Tribute from Peaceful Rest Funeral Chapel

**Parting View** 

**Recessional:** "Going Up Yonder" Lenora Lee-Johnson

**Postlude**