

THE
Home Going Celebration

OF

Mrs. Bonnie Faye Winters
Gordon-Jarrett

July 28, 1949

July 1, 2004



Thursday - July 8, 2004
1:00 p.m.

Second Baptist Church

611 Jackson Avenue
Oxford, Mississippi 38655

Rev. Leroy Wadlington ~ Pastor

Rev. Kelvin Ransey ~ Officiant

Life Reflections



"For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have kept the faith." "Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of life which shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them that love him that has loved us to this end."



uch was the life and legacy of **Bonnie Faye Winters Jarrett.**

Sis. Jarrett descended unto the veil of time, July 28, 1949 in Oxford, Mississippi, the only child of the late John Winters and the late Juanita Hickman.

Nurtured in a Christian environment, she was raised by her grandparents, the late Limon Hickman and the late Mathewlen Pearson Hickman. She acknowledged her need for salvation and accepted and confessed Jesus Christ as her personal Savior at an early age at Burns United Methodist Church of Oxford, Mississippi.

Through a life of sacrificial service, she faithfully labored in the Master's vineyard at Burns United Methodist Church as a class leader, Youth Director, lay speaker and leader, church secretary, church historian, cluster representative and choir member where she sang alto. It was there in church where she discovered her God-given gift of singing. Her melodious voice could be heard throughout Oxford community churches where she would render favorites such as "Wonderful" and "In Times Like These". She also served diligently throughout the Mississippi United Methodist District and Conference for many years.

Bonnie attended the public schools of Oxford, where she participated in various organizations including Tri-Hi-Y and the high school chorus. She graduated from Central High School in 1967 and continued her education at Jackson State University where she earned a B.A. in Special Education in 1971. She enjoyed a teaching career at the Oxford Elementary School for 13 years before her health failed. She loved and was loved by her fourth, fifth, and sixth grade reading students.

is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course,
own of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge,
that love his appearing." II Tim. 4:6-8

She was active in community activities and participated in the Oxford Development Association, NAACP, and the Ladies of the Golden Circle.

Bonnie was joined in holy matrimony to the late James Gordon. To this union two children were born.

Sis. Bonnie Jarrett walked into the presence of her Lord and Savior to receive her "Well done thy good and faithful servant" on Thursday, July 1, 2004 at 12:30 a.m. at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Oxford, MS.

Her loving memories will be cherished by her sons~ Jeffrey Gordon (Dorothy) and Jason Gordon, both of Oxford, MS; two grandchildren~ Jeffrey ShaDell Gordon and Rosalind Johnson, both of Oxford, MS; her beloved grandmother~ Reminder Polk Thompson of Oxford, MS; one sister~ Joyce Parham of Oxford, MS; three uncles~ Lloyd Redmond (Sarah), Jimmy Thompson (Mary), both of Oxford, MS, and Larry Redmond (Mary) of Chicago, IL; one aunt~ Norma Jean Robinson of Davenport, IA; two sisters-in-law~ Gertrude J. Stewart (Andrew) of Miami, FL and Valarie J. Adams of Chicago, IL; one brother-in-law~ John Jarrett of Atlanta, GA; special cousins~ Beverly, Michael, Vivian, Connie, Timothy, Kevin, Rochelle, Lisa, Peter, Woody, Delbert, Wealthea, and Robert; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents~ John Winters and Juanita Hickman; grandparents~ Limon and Mathewlen Hickman; and husband~ Rane H. Jarrett.