**MEMORIAL SERVICES**

Dyer, Crawford County, Arkansas, USA

May 21, 1972, 02:00 PM Rev H. W. Blackshear

TWENTY-ONE GUN SALUTE

Hymn: "My Country 'Tis of Thee"

Invocation

RESPONSIVE READING. "We Honor Our Famous Men"

Let us now praise famous men,

AND OUR FATHERS IN THEIR GENERATIONS.

The Lord appointed them to great glory.

HIS MAJESTY FROM THE BEGINNING.

There were those who ruled in their kingdoms,

AND WERE MEN RENOWNED FOR THEIR POWER.

GIVING COUNSEL BY THEIR UNDERSTANDING

AND PROCLAIMING PROPHECIES:

Leaders of the people in their deliberations,

WISE IN THEIR WORDS OF INSTRUCTION:

Those who composed musical tunes,

AND SET FORTH VERSES IN WRITING:

Rich men furnished with resources

LIVING PEACEABLY IN THEIR HABITATIONS—

all these were honored in their generations.

AND WERE THE GLORY OF THEIR TIMES.

There are some of them who have left a name,

SO THAT MEN DECLARE THEIR PRAISE.

And there are some who have no memorial,

WHO HAVE PERISHED AS THOUGH THEY HAD NOT LIVED.

But these were men of mercy,

WHOSE RIGHTEOUS DEEDS HAVE NOT BEEN FORGOTTEN:

Their prosperity will remain with their descendants.

AND THEIR INHERITANCE TO THEIR CHILDREN's CHILDREN.

Their posterity will continue forever.

THEIR GLORY WILL NOT BE BLOTTED OUT.

Their bodies were buried in peace.

AND THEIR NAMES LIVE TO ALL GENERATIONS.

People will declare their wisdom.

AND THE CONGREGRATION PROCLAIMS THEIR PRAISE.

**MEMORIAL DAY LITANY**

O God the Father, Almighty and Everlasting,

from whom we have come and unto whom we go,

HAVE MERCY UPON US

O God the Son, Captain of the souls of men,

Who hast brought life and immortality to light,

HAVE MERCY UPON US

O God the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, our guide, our strength,

HAVE MERCY UPON US

For the land of our birth, its freedom and its wonderful story

WE PRAISE THEE, O GOD

For leaders in nation and state and all who have toiled for the good of the nation

WE PRAISE THEE, O GOD

For those who have served their country and given of their lives,

WE PRAISE THEE, O GOD.

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| **In MEMORIAM:** | | | |
| Otto Patillo  Beverly Sue Moon  Sybil Crawford | Rebecca Cupp  Virgie Pearl Davis  Hilda Gregory | Claudia McCabe  Paula Lee Wells  Laura Belt | Charles Huff  Ada Burrow |

12 DECEMBER 1929

**SISTER SARAH GEORGIA WELLS, DECEASED**

Born: 09 November 1849 Died: 12 December 1929

Age 80 years, 1 month, and 3 days

She had been a Christian from youth and was a consistent member of the Peaceful Home Baptist Church at the time of her demise.

She was the mother of five children: four girls and one son who survive her. They are:

Mrs. Julia Kelly Rudy, Crawford County, Arkansas;

Mrs. Mary Newton Lee Rudy, Crawford County, Arkansas;

Mrs. Daisy Kelly Alma, Crawford County, Arkansas;

Mrs. Mary Lee Dyer Dyer, Crawford County, Arkansas; and

Quincey Wells Fort Smith, Sebastian County, Arkansas.

Three brothers:

Sutton Rozell Shibley, Crawford County, Arkansas;

R. M. Rozell Fort Smith, Sebastian County, Arkansas; and

J. F. Rozell Rudy, Crawford County, Arkansas.

Therefore, be it resolved that we, the Peaceful Church, have lost a true and faithful member. Further, that we extend our sincere and heart felt sympathy to those children and relatives and would say to them that their loss is Heaven's gain.

Be it further resolved that this be spread upon our Church book and that a copy be furnished each of the children.

Funeral services were conducted from the Baptist Church by her pastor, Elder G. M. Hughes.

Burial was in the Dyer Cemetery.

RESIGNATION:

We speak of the realms of the blest,

That country so bright and so fair,

And oft are its glories confessed

But what must it be to be there.

Oh, Lord, in this valley of woe,

Our Spirits for Heaven prepare

Then shortly we shall know-

And feel what it is to be there.

~ by Elizabeth Mills

Offered by her pastor

G. M. Hughes

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Funeral services will be held at 2 P.M., Monday, in Memorial Chapel of Fairley Mortuary for Mrs. Mary Kathryn Hargrove, whose 107 years spanned the Pioneer West and the man made moons in the sky. Mrs. Hargrove died in a rest home Friday. She was in ill health for five years.

She saw five generations of her family born and raised and leaves behind two great-great-great grand children. Grand son J. D. Hargroves recalled Sunday, "She used to tell me she lived so long because she always smoked her corn pipe and chewed her Mail Pouch (tobacco)."

Mrs. Hargrove was born October 15, 1850, near Fort Scott, Bourbon County, Kansas. At the age of 11 her father gave her away because he had too many mouths to feed and she was wed to John Leakey in Missouri. Hargrove said, "She played with her dolls while her husband worked," he remembered her saying. The couple moved to Arkansas later. After his death she married a man named Westerfield whose first name has been forgotten. At his death she married Dave Hargrove near Mulberry, Arkansas, in 1884.

"My grandfather was a singing teacher," Hargrove said, "and they lived on a farm. My grandmother told me they had to run and hide many times when the Rebels came by during the Civil War. The Rebels burned them out several times and my grandparents had to run to save their lives. She told me one time she had seen Abraham Lincoln, but I can't remember when or where".

A year after her husband's death in 1931, Mrs. Hargrove came to Cushing, Payne County, Oklahoma. She divided her time among her children there.

"But grandmother was active," Hargrove said. "She often traveled back to Arkansas to see the other branch of the family. She made her own way back and forth until she was 94".

She left a crowd of memories for her descendants. Her father-in-law owned the ground on which the First National Bank of Fort Smith now stands.

"She was an independent woman," Hargrove remembers. "She carried all her money in a tobacco sack pinned to the front of her dress".

She even had diet tips for her family. "Coffee will kill you," she warned, "but toddy won't hurt anyone."

Mrs. Hargrove bore 10 children, the first when she was thirteen. Five are still living.

There are two daughters:

Mrs. Sam Jones Curbing, Oklahoma, and

Mrs Grace Robins Wichita, Sedgwick County, Kansas.

And three sons:

A.M. Hargrove Cushing, Payne County, Oklahoma,

Edgar Hargrove Haskell, Muskogee County, Oklahoma, and

Bob Leakey Dyer, Crawford County, Arkansas.

The son in Arkansas is her oldest living child. He is 82. The youngest is Mrs. Grace Robins who is 61.

Other survivors include a brother, Rev. Bill Crowley, 93, a Baptist Minister at Fort Smith, Sebastian County, Arkansas. 40 grandchildren and 50 great grand children.

Interment will be in Fairlawn Cemetery here.