#### **OBITUARY**

## WOODROW WILSON COLEMAN, SR.

Woodrow Wilson Coleman Sr. was born on September 1, 1919 in Caseyville, MS to the late Henry and Dora Markham Coleman. He departed this life on June 11, 2010 and was preceded in death by: his wife, Odessa, two of his children Dorothy and Walter, and his eight brothers and five sisters.

At an early age he accepted Christ and actively participated in church his entire life. He was reared in the Union A.M.E. Church in Caseyville and later joined Kynette United Methodist Church when he moved to Brookhaven, MS.

He was educated in both the Caseyville and Brookhaven, MS school systems, and later attended Alcorn and Jackson State Universities. During World War II, he served his country valiantly and was honorably discharged. After his discharge, he lived in Brookhaven, MS, and moved to Goodman, MS in 1970.

For more than fifty years, he worked as a carpenter designing and constructing residential, church and commercial properties mainly in Mississippi and Louisiana. He continued his contribution to the community as a small business owner in Holmes County.

Bro. Coleman was a member of Walden Chapel United Methodist Church, where he served as Chairman of the Trustee Board, Sunday School Teacher, Chair of the Staff Parrish Ministry and Lay Leader. He served as a member of the Executive Committee and Treasurer of the Holmes County Parish of the United Methodist Church.

He served as Worshipful Master of Billingslea Lodge No. 367-A for eight years. He was the Founder of Woodrow W. Coleman Chapter No. 492, Order of the Eastern Star. He served as Joshua of Goodman Court No. 91, Heroines of Jericho. He is a member of Jackson Consistory, P.H.A. of 32<sup>nd</sup> Degree Masonry

and member of the 33<sup>rd</sup> Degree Masons of the United Supreme Council of Scottish Rite Mason, P.H.A., Jurisdiction of Mississippi.

He believed in active community service and giving back to that community. His many accomplishments include; member and officer of American Legion Post 202, active in Habitat for Humanity, member of the Chamber of Commerce for Goodman and Durant, member and officer of the Goodman-Pickens branch of the NAACP, charter class for Leadership Holmes County (1993), Holmes County Person of the Year (2001-2002) and many other awards and certificates from city, county, and state officials.

Woodrow loved God, family and country. He was taught as a child to work hard, support his family and to help others. He was a strong advocate for education and encouraged his children and the many he came into contact with to strive for excellence.

Bro. Coleman is survived by his six children; Maggie Stingley and Mattie Coleman of Goodman, MS, Ann Davis (Arthur) of Ft. Lauderdale, FL, Woodrow Coleman, Jr. (Leanna) of Katy, TX, Degina Booker (Walter) of Jackson, MS, Delois Johnson (Curtis) of Louisville, KY, and a host of grandchildren, great grandchildren, relatives and friends.

"May the work I have done speak for me... May the service I give speak for me... I have tried to do my best"



#### ORDER OF SERVICE

Rev. L. Fitzgerald Lovett, Ministerial Guide

Prelude

Bro. Glennie Carlisle Minister of Music

Processional

Family

Prayer

Rev. Martha Williams

Solo

Bro. Jerry Howard

Scripture

Bro. Woodrow Coleman, Jr.

Proverbs 3:1-7 Luke 6:37-38

Acknowledgments

Resolution

Walden Chapel United Methodist Church

Solo

Bro. John Grover

Words of Comfort

Rev. L. Fitzgerald Lovett, Pastor Walden Chapel UMC

Recessional

Postlude



### SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

for

# WOODROW WILSON COLEMAN, SR.

SEPTEMBER 1, 1919 - JUNE 11, 2010



TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 2010 11:00 A.M.

WALDEN CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Goodman, MS 39079

REV. L. FITZGERALD LOVETT, PASTOR OFFICIATING MINISTER