

"May he rest in peace, and may light perpetual shine upon him."

THERE MUST BE A REASON

There must be a reason we can't see,  
There must be a reason why,  
A reason that we must take on Faith  
As we do the Son on high.

There must be an answer why,  
It is someone who enjoyed life so,  
Someone who is dear to us,  
Suddenly has to go.

Life is a journey so we are told,  
For some long, for others brief;  
A journey on which we find joy  
Mingled with sadness and grief.

Try to remember the joy today  
However hard it may be,  
And trust you'll find comfort  
When you know  
The reason you cannot see.

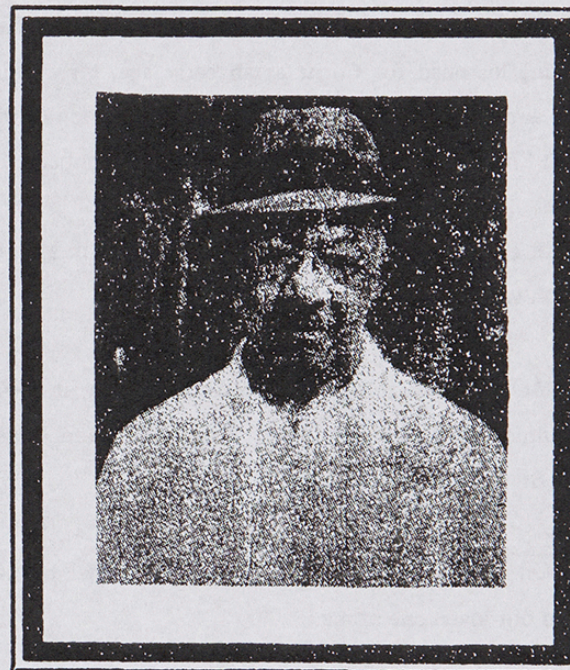
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The family wishes to extend their fondest gratitude  
to all persons who found so many kind methods  
of expressing friendship and sympathy during  
our hour of bereavement. Special thanks to  
Reverend Thedford Johnson and the con-  
gregation of St. John's Baptist Church

Atkinson

Funeral Services

FOR THE LATE



THEODORE ATKINSON

MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 1981

4:00 P. M.

ST. JOHN INSTITUTIONAL BAPTIST CHURCH  
1328 Northwest 3rd Avenue  
Miami, Florida

REV. THEDFORD JOHNSON, Pastor/Officiating

HALL/FERGUSON/HEWITT, P.A., Directing



## Obituary

THE LATE THEODORE ATKINSON was born on October 22, 1901, in Waverly, Georgia, to the holy union of Horace and Emma Atkinson. Realizing his need for Christ at an early age, Mr. Atkinson was converted and became a member and later on a deacon of the Mount Sinai Baptist Church. He was an active and faithful member.

In 1921, he was joined in Holy Matrimony to Miss Ellen Wellman. One son was born of this union.

Mr. Atkinson relocated to Miami, Florida, in 1945. He married Ms. Annie Bell Hodges in 1965. They joined and served as members of the St. John Baptist Church.

On Thursday, January 1, 1981, the angel of death came and carried our loved one home.

He has left to mourn: a devoted wife, Annie Bell Atkinson; one son, Theodore Atkinson; two brothers: Hezekiah and Edward Atkinson; mother-in-law, Florence Strowder; seven sisters-in-law; five brothers-in-law; one daughter-in-law; one grandchild; one great-grandchild; three nieces; one nephew; and a host of other sorrowing relatives and bereaved friends.

## Order of Service

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REMARKS: As A Neighbor ..... Dollie Able  
As A Friend ..... Willie Ford

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