

Pallbearers

Phillip Atlas

Lawrence Atlas

Charles Atlas

John Atlas

Edward Atlas

Willie James Atlas

Honorary Pallbearers

Vincent Atlas

Steve Atlas

Derek Atlas

Nicholas Atlas

Bobby Jefferson, Jr.

Roland Sparrow, Jr.

Bobby Jefferson, Sr.

Michael Sparrow

Acknowledgments

The Atlas and Sparrow Families wish to express our sincere appreciation and deepest gratitude for your tremendous outpouring of love, kindness and sympathy during our moments of sorrow.



In Loving Memory of

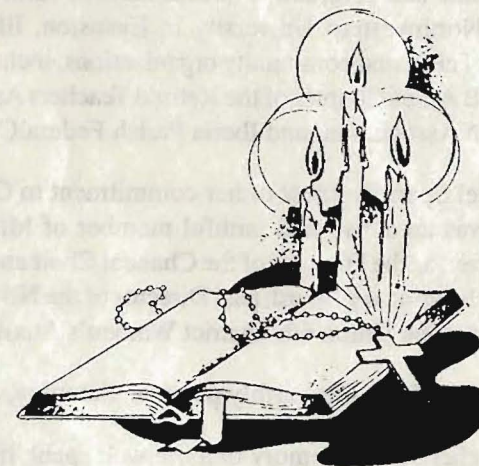
Ethel Mae Atlas Sparrow

Monday, May 18, 1931

Saturday, April 19, 1997

*The Lord is my strength and my shield;
my heart trusted in him, and I am helped.
Therefore, my heart greatly rejoiceth
and with my song will I praise him.*

Psalms 28:7



Wednesday, April 23, 1997

12 p.m.

Mt. Calvary Baptist Church

New Iberia, Louisiana

Rev. Dr. Larry W. Norbert, Pastor

"After silence, that which comes nearest to expressing the inexpressible, is Music".

Ethel Mae Atlas Sparrow was born on Monday, May 18, 1931 in Lake Providence, Louisiana to the proud parents of Reverend and Mrs. Francis Joseph Atlas, Sr. She was the third child of twelve. After completing her bachelor's degree in music at Southern University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. She became a teacher and life-long resident of New Iberia, LA. She was united in marriage to Allen J. Sparrow and had one daughter, Jeanne Marie.



Dedicated to education and spreading the love of music to all she encountered, Ethel Sparrow taught for over 30 years in the Iberia Parish School Board and continued to teach private piano lessons at Atlas Piano Studios. She also returned to school herself, earning a Master's degree in music from Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. She was a member of a number of civic and community organizations, including Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Mary B Amos Chapter of the Retired Teachers Association, Southern University Alumni Association, and Iberia Parish Federal Credit Union.

Those who knew Ethel Sparrow knew of her commitment to God and leading a Christian Life. She was an active and faithful member of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church where she served as the Director of the Chancel Choir and Sunshine Choir, member of the Senior Missionary Board, past Director of the NBC, Sunday School Teacher, and member of the Union 6th District Women's Auxiliary.

Ethel Sparrow was called from this earthly place on Saturday, April 19, 1997.

She leaves behind to cherish the memory of a life well spent: her husband, Allen J. Sparrow of New Iberia; one daughter, Jeanne M. Sparrow of Chicago, Illinois; her parents, Reverend and Mrs. Francis J. Atlas, Sr. of Lake Providence, LA; three sisters: Susie Ammons of Chicago, IL, Florence Atlas of Lake Providence, LA; Annie Chatman of Detroit, Michigan; six brothers: Phillip Atlas of Bastrop, LA, Charles Atlas of Merrillville, Indiana, Edward Atlas of Austin, Texas, Lawrence Atlas of Oakland, California, John Atlas of Detroit, Michigan and Willie James Atlas of Detroit, Michigan; fourteen brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law and a host of nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her brother, Francis Joseph Atlas, Jr., and her sister Nora Louise Atlas Jefferson.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" Chancel Choir

Scripture Readings Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer Appointee

Selection "How Great Thou Art" Chancel Choir

Obituary Sandra Egland

Selection "I Will Bless Thee, O Lord" Sunshine Choir

Church Resolution Katie Clark

Expressions Mount Calvary Baptist Church Senior Missionary Board

Union Sixth District Women's Auxiliary

Mary B. Amos Chapter of the Retired Teachers

Solo "Touch Somebody's Life" Mrs. Beatrice Thomas

Eulogy

Recessional I'll Fly Away" Chancel Choir



Interment

*Mt. Calvary Baptist Church Cemetery
Neco Town*

*Final Arrangements Entrusted to
Journet-Bolden Funeral Home*