
In Celebration of the Life God Shared With Us

Mr. Henry A. Dillon, Sr.



SATURDAY, MAY 4, 1996
11:00 A.M.

MOUNT PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH
9700 Scenic Highway
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Reverend Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr.
Pastor and Officiant

Obituary

Mr. Henry A. Dillon, Sr.

1901 - 1996

Mr. Henry A. Dillon, Sr., born on June 30, 1901 in Magnolia, Mississippi, the son of the late Thomas and Angeline Dillon, departed this life on Monday, April 29, 1996 at Methodist Memorial Hospital in New Orleans, Louisiana. He graduated from Tangipohoa Parish Training School, (Now O. E. Dillon High School), and received his baccalaureate degree in Agriculture from Southern University in Baton Rouge.

He was a devoted and dedicated public school teacher and principal. While serving as principal of Morehouse Training School in Bastrop, Louisiana he met and married Magnolia Williams. From this union three children were born, Henry A. Jr., Don and Joyce Dillon. For the next 40 plus years, he taught school and/or was principal at Kentwood, Bastrop, Oakdale, Ferriday, and Waterproof, Louisiana.

Henry A. Dillon was the driving force behind the successful voter registration drive during the 1950's and 1960's in Tensas Parish.

He belonged to many organizations, including the Tensas Chapter of the Southern University Alumni Federation, a Charter member of the Men of Distinction, The Trail Blazer Club, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., Southern University Quarterback Club, Scottish Rite Pride of Waterproof, No. 138 and the Louisiana State Retired Teachers Association. After moving to Baton Rouge, he joined Mount Pilgrim Baptist Church.

Henry A. Dillon was a devoted father and leaves to honor and cherish his memory his four children, Henry A Jr., Don, Melbourne, and Joyce Dillon Holley; daughters-in-law, Agnes St. Ann Dillon and Barbara Lee Dillon; and a son-in-law, Timothy Holley, Sr.; twenty grandchildren; twenty-nine great-grandchildren; a host of other nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife of sixty-four years, Magnolia Williams Dillon.

When I Must Leave You

*When I must leave you
for a while*

*Please don't grieve and shed
wild tears*

*And hug your sorrow to you
through the years;*

*But start out bravely with
a gallant smile*

*And for my sake, and in my
name live on;*

And do all things the same

*Feed not your loneliness
on empty days*

*But fill each waking hour
in useful ways,*

*Reach out your hand in comfort
and cheer*

And I in turn will comfort you,

*And hold you near and dear, never
be afraid to die,*

For I am waiting for you in the sky!

-Helen Steiner Rice

Order of Service

- PRELUDE Musicians
- PROCESSIONAL Minister and Family
- CONGREGATIONAL HYMN Mass Choir
"O I Want To See Him"
- SCRIPTURE READINGS
OLD TESTAMENT
NEW TESTAMENT
- PRAYER Deacon James Cross
- PRAYER CHANT
- SELECTION The Mass Choir
- EXPRESSIONS:
H. A. Dillon Chapter, Southern University
Alumni Federation Brother James Kelly
Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Deacon Watson Finister
National Alumni Federation Brother Donald Wade
Mount Pilgrim Baptist Church Deacon Morgan Watson
- SELECTION The Mass Choir
- FAMILY TRIBUTE Attorney Henry A. Dillon, III
Grandson
- ACKNOWLEDGMENTS Sister LaChondria Adams
- SILENT READING OF THE OBITUARY Soft Music
- SELECTION The Mass Choir
- WORDS OF COMFORT Reverend Roger Lathan
Pastor, Camphor Memorial Methodist Church
Reverend Robert Holder
Associate Minister, Mount Pilgrim
- SELECTION Mass Choir
"Precious Lord"
- EULOGY Pastor Bilberry
- VIEWING
- RECESSIONAL
- ENTOMBMENT: HILL CREST MEMORIAL GARDENS & MAUSOLEUM
IN CHARGE - WINNFIELD FUNERAL HOME

Active Pallbearers

H. A. Dillon, III
Lawrence J. Dillon
Matthew M. Dillon
Don B. Dillon, Jr.
Kenneth Dillon

Timothy Holley, Jr.
Kirk C. Holley
Rory M. Holley
Carl Dillon
Mario Dillon

Wendall Dillon

Honorary Pallbearers

Iris M. Dillon
Angela Dillon Green
Marcia A. Dillon
Juana C. Dillon

Dawn D. Dillon
Jamie J. Dillon
Cassandra Dillon Calais
Rhonda Dillon

Donna Jean Buckles

Acknowledgements

The family extends it's appreciation to all of you for
your prayers and other expressions of kindness in our
time of bereavement.

May God richly bless you always.

—The family of Mr. Henry A. Dillon, Sr.