

"In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also." - John 14:2-3

**Mr. Willie Wiley Rhodes** was born in Brenham, Texas on February 3, 1925 to the parents of Jessie Rhodes and Thelma Toliver, who are both deceased. Two siblings also precedes him in death, Annie Lee Rhodes Scott and Julia Mae Rhodes.

Willie's primary and secondary education was received in Brenham, Texas. After graduation from high school, he attended and earned a Bachelor's Degree of Science from Huston-Tillotson University in Austin, Texas. He was also an active participant in the Huston Tillotson Alumni. He also earned degrees in Business Administration and Education.

Willie was a longtime resident of Houston, Texas. He was an educator in the Houston Independent School District. He was also a banker at Houston Bank and Trust. He held various positions in his teaching career and his business administration endeavors.

He was a devoted brother and member of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. for many years. He was also a devoted member of the New Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church, located at 3221 Bain Street, Houston, Texas 77026. He is survived by his loving wife, Helen R. Rhodes; and family members and friends who will always cherish his memory.

*Message From Heaven*

When I come to the end of the road and the sun has set on me,  
I want no rites in a gloom filled room, why cry for a soul set free.  
Miss me a little--but not too long and not with your head bowed low,  
Remember the love that we once shared, miss me--but let me go.  
For this is a journey that we all must take, and each must go alone.  
It's all a part of the Master's plan, a step on the road to home.  
When you are lonely and sick of heart, go to the friends we know.  
And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds, miss me--but let me go.

Love you all, Willie

**Services Held:**  
Saturday, the 7th day of October, 2017  
One O'clock in the Afternoon

**Johnson Funeral Home Chapel**  
5730 Calhoun Road • Houston, Texas 77021  
**Reverend Charles E. Turner, Officiating**

**Gathering of Family and Friends**

**Musical Prelude**.....(Soft Music)

**Processional**....., Pallbearers and Family

**Apha Phi Alpha**

**Selection**.....Congregation

**Scripture Reading**.....Rev. Charles E. Turner  
Old Testam  
New Testam

**Prayer of Comfort**.....Rev. Charles E. Turner

**Reading of the Obituary**.....(Read Silently)

**Expressions of Love**.....(Two Minutes Please)

**Musical Selection**

**Words of Comfort**.....Reverend Charles E. Turner

**Funeral Directors in Charge**

**Recessional**.....Clergy and Family

