Last rites held for Mrs. Jennie Ford

The funeral for Mrs. Jennie Ruth Ford was held Oct. 12. Mrs. Ford died Oct. 8.

She joined Zion Baptist Church in 1938 when the late Rev. Wilkerson was pastor. At the time of her death, Mrs. Ford was a retired beautician and former worked at the Charlamett Beauty Shop in the 1400 block of Washington St.

She is survived by her husband, James Ford; three daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Fleet, Mrs. Elizabeth Seymour and Mrs. Ruth Isaac, seven grandchildren; 10 great grandchildren; one brother, William A. Bell of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Christian Women United, Ex

70th ANNUAL WOMEN'S DAY

Wayland Baptist Church

3200 Garrison Boulevard

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16th, 1980

Three inspiration-packed services

7:45 A.M.—Rev. Dorothy Finch, Mt. Carmel Baptist Church

10:45 A.M.—Mrs. Bessie Mason, Faith Baptist Church

3:30 P.M.—Dunbar High School Choir, and Wayland Women's Day Chorus In recital ... also Readings by Mrs. Dorrthy Barrick

Mrs. Harriet Johnson, chairperson
Mrs. Cynthia Robinson, Co-chairperson
Mrs. Ellen Fisher, Program Chairperson
Rev. Darneal F. Johnson, Jr., Pastor

51st Annual Women's Day

Providence Baptist Church

4200 Liberty Heights Ave.
Baltimore, Maryland

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1980

Theme: "Christian Choices for Women in the 80's"

7:45 A.M.—Dr. Maxine J. Wood
Providence Baptist Church
12 Noon —Evangelist Denise Johnson
Isle of Patmas Baptist Church Washington, D.C.
2:00 P.M.—Womens Day Dinner
2:00 P.M.—Women's Day Dinner
4:00 P.M.—Candlelight Vesper Service
Highlighting Five Biblical Women

Mrs. Brendolia Hawkins, chairperson
Miss Elizabeth Craig, co-chairperson
Rev. Marcus G. Wood, Pastor

70th ANNUAL WOMEN'S DAY

ISRAEL BAPTIST CHURCH

PRESTON AND CHESTER STREETS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1980

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN UNITING FOR GOD

7:45 A.M.—Message
Dr. Harlie H. Wilson, II., Pastor
11:00 A.M.—Speaker Mrs. Minnie Washington
First Lady, Timothy Baptist Church
3:30 P.M.—Drama—Women of the Bible

Music By The Women's Day Choir for the Day

A Heartfelt Welcome Is Extended to You!
Dr. Harlie W. Wilson, II., Pastor
Dr. Edmond D. Meade, Pastor Emeritus
Mrs. Joyce A. McNair-Hanner, President
Mrs. Delia A. Holmes, Vice President

85th Annual Men's Day

Payne Memorial A.M.E. Church

Laurens St. and Madison Avenue

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1980

Theme: Christian Men Moving Foward With Faith!

8:00 A.M. Breakfast Service
Guest Speaker: Hon. Milton B. Allen
11:00 A.M.—Service
Guest speaker Rev. DarreimGreen, Assoc. Minister New Shiloh Baptist Church
4:00 P.M.—Musical Program
Rendered by the J. P. Singers, under direction of the Brilliant James Peterson. (Admission Is Free!)
Chairman of Day Bro. John L. Wells
Rev. W. P. MITCHELL, Pastor

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James S. Hammond, M.MUS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1980

Eight and Eleven O'Clock

Marion C. Bascom, Preaching

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind —Parry
Roll, Jordan Roll —Dett, arr.
I Stood By The River of Jordan —Smith, arr.

AFRO churchwoman of the year is Rev. Mother Mary Williams

AFRO photo by Roman Hankewycz

FIRST PLACE WINNER in the AFRO churchwoman of the year contest is the Rev. Mother Mary Elizabeth Williams, a faithful worker at St. Martins Spiritual Church of Christ. She is shown holding a bouquet of flowers she received from Crip's Florist. John H. Murphy III, chairman of the AFRO - AMERICAN Newspaper board presented the honoree a certificate of appreciation and a check of $300 from the AFRO.

The AFRO Churchwoman of the year is the Rev. Mother Mary Elizabeth Williams, who has been a member of St. Martin's Spiritual Church of Christ since 1958. a certificate of appreciation and a six-month subscription to the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper last Sunday from John H. Murphy III, chairman of the board.

In presenting her prizes from the AFRO, Mr. Murphy recognized Rev. Williams as the right hand person to her spiritual leader, the Rev. Patrick Franklin. He said Rev. Williams was a faithful worker for St. Martin's Spiritual Church.

In keeping with her generosity and spirit of giving, Rev. Williams gave her $300 check to the church as a donation to the building fund for a school for wayward boys.

The honoree is a trustee at St. Martin's and president of the Minister's Board, chairperson of the Mother's Day program, chairperson for Women's Day, founder of the Tuesday Meditation and Spiritual Development Class.

The third place winner in the AFRO churwoman of the year contest was Mrs. Elizabeth Goins, a member of Whitestone Baptist Church for 32 years.

For four years, she has served as chairman of the Women's Day committee and is very active in several organizations at Whitestone, where the Rev. William Thompson is pastor.

As third place winner, Mrs. Golins received tickets for dinner at D'Joint, a certificate from Mr. Baker's Beauty Salon, a check for $100, a six month subscription to the AFRO and a certificate of appreciation from the AFRO.

The honoree also received gifts from the Rev. Ann V. Woods, Mesdames Grace Roberts, Patsy Page, Alease Williams, Evelyn Respers, Mary Hyman and Evelyn Ricks, all members of Whitestone Baptist. She also received a corsage and a dozen red roses from the Volunteers at Whitestone. Mrs. Goins is the mother of three daughters, Mrs. Barbara West, Mrs. Jacquelyn Davis, Mrs. Deborah Campbell and one son, Jerome Trusty. Mrs. Goins is the wife of Bernard Goins, who took her on a shopping trip to New York as a surprise gift.

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90th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION of the CHURCH
13th ANNIVERSARY of the PASTOR
Theme: "Ninety Years With Christ" The Lord has done great things for us: whereof we are glad. Psalm 126:3

Sunday, November 16, 1980
9:00 A.M. — Church School — Sis. Juanita Gaither, Superintendent
10:40 A.M. — Morning Worship Service — Rev. Dr. Arthur J. Payne, Pastor Emeritus, Enon Baptist Church, Baltimore Music— The Sanctuary Choir and the Mary L. Backus Junior Choir Mrs. Shirley Thomas, Miss Sheri Waters and Mrs. Iva Branch, Musicians.
1:00 P.M. — Dinner Served
3:30 P.M.—Rev. Dr. James Moore, Choir and Congregation, Sharon Baptist Church, Baltimore
5:30 P.M.—Church Training — Deacon James Gilliard, Director

Tuesday, November 18, 1980
7:30 P.M.—The Rev. Dr. Eugene Carter, Choir and Congregation God Shepherd Baptist Church, Baltimore
Participating
Girl Scouts, Lottie Henry Nurses Unit and the Courtesy Committee

Wednesday, November 19, 1980
7:30 P.M.—Rev. Dr. Lyndsay Pitts, Choir and Congregation, First Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Baltimore
Participating
Church School and Church Training

Thursday, November 20, 1980
7:30 P.M.—The Rev. Dr. Arthur Benn, Choir and Congregation, Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, Baltimore
Participating
Board of Trustees and Finance Commission

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Rev. Samuel Ray, Pastor

207th Anniversary of
CENTENNIAL METHODIST CHURCH

1031 E. Monument St.

Theme: "Onward Christian Labor"

SUNDAY, NOV. 16, 1980

11:00 A.M.—Speaker: The Pastor
Music by the Centennial Church Choir and the Centennial Lights.
3:30 P.M.—Recital by the Marshal Dickerson Ensemble. Donation $2.00.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1980

11:00 A.M.—Speaker: Rev. Albert Holbrook
Music by the Marshal Dickerson Ensemble.
3:30 P.M.—Rev. Richarh L. Clifford,
Annapolis Dist. Superintendent

REV. HAROLD E. PALMER, Pastor

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1980

Annual Memorial Day

8:00 A.M.—Early Morning Worship Sermon By the Pastor
9:15 A.M.—Church School and New Members Class
10:30 A.M.—Open Heart Service
11:00 A.M.—Morning worship sermon by the pastor
3:00 P.M.—4th Annual Apron Party and Program
6:00 P.M.—BTU and New Members Class Young People

REV. RICHARD OGLE

REV. RICHARD OGLE IV, Pastor

St. James Episcopal Church

Lafayette Square Baltimore, Maryland

8:00 A.M. Holy Communion
9:00 A.M. Church School
10:30 A.M. Choral Eucharist Sermon

The Rev. Donald O. Wilson, Rector
Mr. A. Maurice Murphy, Organist

The Public Is Cordially Invited To Attend

SHARP ST. MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Dolphin and Etting Streets

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1980

Annual Men's Day

9:30 A.M. Church School
11:00 A.M. Morning Worship

Rev. John W. Coleman, Minister
Rev. Arthur White, Assistant Minister

Women's Day observed at Israel

The women of Israel Baptist Church, 1220 Chester St., where the Rev. H. Walden Wilson is pastor, have been having activities at their church as part of their Women's Day celebration.

The theme for their annual Women's Day scheduled to be observed on Sunday, Nov. 16 is "Christian Women United For God."

Events leading up to Women's Day were a women's fair and plant sale, a concert, fashion show, a variety dinner, a recital by the Women's Day Choir and special worship services.

Services were held at the church Nov. 10-14 with local ministers and a prayer breakfast will be held at the church on Nov. 15, with Evangelist Joyce D. Dillard as speaker.

The Rev. Walden Wilson, pastor will speak at the 7:45 a.m. services and Mrs. Minnie Washington, wife of the Rev. Carl Washington of Timothy Baptist Church, is the 11 a.m. speaker and Mrs. Alice Waddell is the guest soloist.

At 3:30 p.m. the women will sponsor a drama "Women in the Bible." The Rev. Dr. Edmond Meade is pastor emeritus; Mrs. Joyce A. McNair Hanner is president; Ms. Delia Holmes, vice - president; Ms. Sandra Whitehurst, secretary; Ms. Deborah Cross, chairman of finance; Ms. Blanche Barnes, assistant chairman of finance.

Also Mesdames Shirley B. Eaddy, program coordinator; Dorotha Gray, chairman of patrons; Connie Blackwell hospitality committee; Katherine Hebron, chairman of publicity; Bernice Walker, chairman of musical activities.

Metro church briefs

Men's Day will be observed Nov. 16 at St. Stephen's AME Church in Unionville, Md., where the Rev. Edgar Carter is pastor. The 4 p.m. speaker is the Rev. Alan Gould, pastor of Robinson AME Church in Graceville, Md.

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Annual Men's Day will be observed at Sharp Street Memorial United Methodist Church, Dolphin and Etting Streets. The day will start with a fellowship breakfast and William H. Murphy Jr., will be the speaker. At the 11 a.m. service the Rev. Theodore Peoples will preach. The Rev. John W. Coleman is pastor.

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The annual Advent breakfast sponsored by the St. James Chapter of the Brother of St. Andrew will be held Nov. 30 at St. James Episcopal Church, Lafayette and Arlington Avenue.

Dr. Robert A. Bennett, professor of the Old Testament at the Episcopal Divinity School, Cambridge, Massachusetts will be the speaker. For ticket information call St. James Church office.

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Women's Day will be observed Nov. 23 at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 418 East 23rd St. Their theme is "Women For All Seasons." Mrs. Shirley Moody is the 11 a.m. speaker and Mrs. Verna Day is the 3:30 p.m. speaker. The Rev. St. George I. B. Crosse is pastor. Mrs. Sandra L. Jones, chairperson; Mrs. Marguerite Dingle, co-chairperson and Mrs. Marjorie J. Bowers, chairperson of the publicity committee.

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Elder John Leslie of Washington, D.C. will be the guest speaker Nov. 15, 7:30 p.m. at Refuge Way of the Cross Church of Christ, East 43rd Street and Old York Road. Bishop Leroy H. Cannady Sr., is pastor.

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The officers of Fountain Baptist Church, 1215 Monument St., will have special services at the church Nov. 16, 7:30 p.m. Charles Caldwell is chairman of the Deacon Board; Richard Williams, chairman of Trustee Board and Mrs. Olawease Foy, chairman of the Deaconess Board. The Rev. Herman A. Ford is pastor.

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The Lexington Brass Quintet, resident ensemble of Mt. Vernon Place United Methodist Church will present its Baltimore debut recital on Nov. 16, 3 p.m. in the sanctuary of the church, Charles Street and Washington Monument.

The program will feature the premiere performance of "Four Appalachian Folk Songs" arranged by Jared Denhard. The Rev. Kenneth S. Jones is pastor.

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The Progressive Shiloh Workers of New Shiloh Baptist Church, Fremont Avenue and Lanvale Street will present Victor W. Myrick in an organ recital on Nov. 30, 6 p.m., Mrs. Edna Johnson and Mrs. Jeri Perkins are chairpersons, Mrs. Carrie E. Sheppard, president and the Rev. Harold A. Carter is pastor.

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The 100 voice choir of Ray of Hope Baptist Church, 3000 Parkside Drive will be singing Nov. 16, 3 p.m. at the church, Harford Road and Parkside Drive. The Rev. Charles M. Franklin is pastor.

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Bishop L. D. Segers, pastor of St. Marks Undenominational Church celebrated his 70th anniversary on Nov. 13.

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The Rev. Douglass I. Miles, pastor of Brown's Memorial Baptist Church, will be the 11 a.m. speaker for Men's Day service Nov. 16 at Waters AME Church, 417 Aisquith St.

A concert is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. at the church featuring The Simmon Specializers and Laurence Coleman. The Rev. John W. Duckette is pastor.

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"Christian Women United Exemplifying God's Love," is the theme for the seventh annual Women's Day at Wayland Baptist Church, 3200 Garrison Blvd., on Nov. 16.

The Rev. Dorothy Finch of Mt. Carmel Baptist Church is the 7:45 a.m. speaker and Mrs. Bessie Mason, a member of Faith Baptist Church will be the 10:45 a.m. speaker.

At 3:30 p.m. the women of Wayland will present Dunbar High School Choir and the Wayland Women's Day Chorus in recital. Mrs. Harriet Johnson is chairperson and the Rev. Darneal F. Johnson Jr., is pastor.

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St. Cecilia's Roman Catholic Church, 3301 Windsor Ave., will conclude its 75th anniversary celebration with a banquet at the Hilton Hotel on Dec. 14, 4 p.m.

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The Senior Choir of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church will present Rev. Stephanie Scott and the Disciples of Joy in concert on Nov. 16, 6 p.m. Mrs. Madeline Short is president and the Rev. Nathaniel Sapp is pastor.

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The women of St. Katherine of Alexandria Episcopal Church, Division and Presstman Streets will hold a Christmas bazaar, bake sale and dinner on Nov. 15, 12:00 until 6 p.m. Mrs. Merrial S. Brinkley is chairperson and Mrs. Betty Lee is co-chairperson.

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Brooklyn United Methodist Church Fourth Street and Pontiac Avenue, will sponsor a ham and smorgasboard in the fellowship hall, 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Nov. 15. The Rev. Paul Conley is pastor.

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The Courtesy Circle of Shiloh Christian Community Church will celebrate its 23rd anniversary on Nov. 16, 3:30 p.m. Mrs. Sylvia White is program chairman; Ms. Rita Williams, president; Mrs. O'Reda Dabney, correspondent secretary and the Rev. Dr. George W. Baynard is pastor.

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The women of Providence Baptist Church, 4200 Liberty Heights Ave., will celebrate their 51st anniversary on Nov. 16. Their theme is "Christian Choices for Women in the Eighties." Dr. Maxine J. Wood of Providence Baptist will be the 7:45 a.m. speaker and Evangelist Denise Johnson of Isle of Patmos Baptist Church in Washington, D. C. is the noon speaker.

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Funeral customs are changing rapidly in this generation

Death is still a mystery as yet unsolved but the living are learning to survive

What happens to a loved one after he dies? What is done to him in those hours immediately after death and before the funeral?

Most persons do not like to think about what happens after the undertaker takes the body away nor what happens before the casket is rolled out on the floor for viewing.

To begin with, fear of a dead body, no matter how dear the person may be, still remains. Fear of the unknown remains today even in these modern times.

To most people a dead body is taboo just as in ancient times.

FEAR, SUPERSTITION

What goes on before the funeral and the very ceremony itself seem to make effort "to protect the living from the dead." And, it appears that funeral customs are still deeply rooted in ancient fears and superstitions.

Gradually we are getting away from it. More and more frequently we hear of seminars and read published accounts aimed to make human beings better acquainted with death. There is effort now to teach children how to face death.

However, such instruction seems to gloss over "what happens to the body in that interval between death and the burial rituals."

It is not unusual to find that great mystery still clouds the "funeral parlor" and "what goes on in there."

The fear of death is so great that even the closest relative of the deceased person wants to get the dead body out of the house right away. The average person dreads to touch a corpse.

Most people fashion their own beliefs about the spirit or the soul and where it goes after death and they color the concept with imagination of beauty, reverence and hope of some kind of resting place or heaven where the spirit has gone.

And, until the body "comes out on the floor" at the funeral parlor and all burial arrangements are final, there is a space tinged with fear, a space which the bereaved one turns away from.

THE NIGHT BEFORE

What happens in the funeral parlor the night before?

The AFRO's attention came to this question of "what happens" after a family complained that the eyes of their loved one had been removed. This was discovered when they observed deep holes as if his eyes were gone.

In a survey of morticians, the AFRO found that no mutilation of a body can be performed legally.

In fact, in an interview with Samuel T. Redd Jr., who operates the Redd Funeral Home in the 5200 block of York Road with his mother, Mrs. Guinevere Redd, we found strict laws govern the disposal of a body.

The Redd mortuary in the area known as Govans, has chapels seating several hundred persons, piped in music, air conditioning and all the beauty and spaciousness of a great old colonial mansion.

REVERENCE

Young Redd referred to a phrase from a textbook he used when he was studying to become a mortician.

"The deceased person is treated with as much respect and reverence as if he were a member of your own family."

More investigation indicated that stories of "stealing" body parts are untrue. Further, a person's organs are not washed out by hose nor are they sold or discarded in garbage bags.

In reality, the relatives may sue and recover damages by law if any such irregularities are found.

RYALES PHOTO

BEFORE THE FUNERAL STARTS there are many things that go on in the undertaker's parlor. Today's frank and honest bereaved persons face the facts and get away from "old wives tales" and suspicions.

Redd accented, "Grief stricken relatives need to know that great care is taken to prepare the dead for burial. At the funeral home there must be a licensed undertaker and embalmer. Both are trained in at least two years of study.

"Reverence for religious beliefs and respect for the human body entrusted in their care are highlighted to maintain the practice as an art and a respected profession."

EMBALMING

The embalmer studies the history of the phenomenon of death.

He must also know about life before and after it becomes extinct and the physical and chemical changes the body undergoes.

The embalming room or preparation room looks very much like a hospital operating room. Cleanliness is required by law.

The body is thoroughly bathed and externally disinfected using sterile instruments and equipment.

Moral and ethical rules are followed to maintain the high standards of the funeral service profession. The preparation room is kept private at all times. A physician, medical examiner or health officer or assistant embalmer may come in during the course of legal duty only. All facts are considered confidential.

The body is decently protected against exposure and, after the embalming procedure, is dressed in cotton undergarments and covered with a clean sheet.

A preserving fluid is injected into the veins and arteries. The embalmer knows the proper incision location just as well as a physician.

Arterial embalming solutions follow the course followed by the blood during life.

The process is sometimes called "restorative procedure." Any process is complicated and highly professional as a physician's operation.

There are four types of embalming but as a rule the subject is prepared in "the customary manner," by single point arterial injection.

Great care is used since the mortician knows he is liable for damages.

Teachers of mortuary science warn the student, "Nothing can more quickly or thoroughly destroy a mortician's good will and patronage than the rumor that he mistreats or mutilates bodies entrusted in his care."

The face, skin and hair are carefully prepared to be just as presentable as if the person were alive.

Many processes are governed by law and cautiously observed.

CEREMONIES

But when it comes to observances and rituals connected with death, there are many aged customs still lingering in the lives of human beings.

The most important happenings in anyone's life are births, christenings, weddings and funerals with the funeral taking top priority.

Everyone wants a "decent burial" and rarely is there a living person who does not have his funeral costs covered with insurance.

Steps are taken carefully to be sure somebody attend the funeral and that there is a Christian burial.

Some persons make arrangements long before death and leave directions for "when I die" even to the clothes to be worn.

The "wake" or the "watch" is an ancient custom still observed.

It was believed that the dead one might come back to life. Therefore the body is never left alone. Stories reveal many - a - mother stays by her baby's body hoping to hear him cry.

CREPE ON THE DOOR

A light is often left on. The ancients used to say the torch by the casket would guide the dead to the next world.

It used to be a crepe or a black ribbon would be placed on the front door. This was not just to let the town know death had come but to "scare away evil spirits so death would not return for someone else."

The custom of wearing a veil is dying out but it originated in the thought that the bereaved person wished to disguise herself so death would not visit again.

The practice of tolling a bell still exists and comes from the belief that the sound of a holy bell would scare away evil spirits. Wailing is still a custom which was originally intended to discourage evil spirits.

The body is still carried feet first since the hope that he may rise up remains eternally. The deceased is always buried facing the East "for that great getting - up morning."

READY TO RISE

In some sections of the country the deceased is laid out in a full casket with all clothing on including shoes and stockings, "ready to rise."

The casket is of great importance.

Some religious base their ceremonies on the belief that the deceased must return to the soil from which he sprung. Frowned upon is the use of a coffin which will delay decay. No nails can be used in the coffin, only wood pegs.

The ancients held to religious customs. The body of Jesus was anointed with precious oils, embalmed in aloes and spices and swathed in a linen sheet which was wound around the body many times. Cremation did not come into practice until the third century B.C. With the advent of Christianity it was given up.

REMOVAL OF THE BODY from the hospital or home, the place of expiration, is only the beginning of a long process which involves embalming. The reality of what happens next is something most people turn away from.

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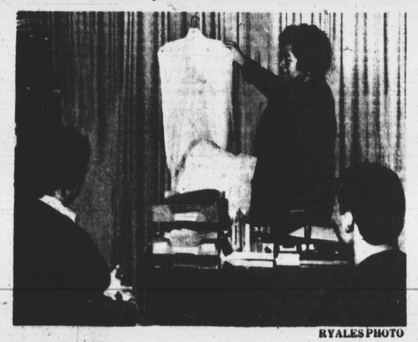
THE FAMILY enters the funeral home where only pleasant greetings and beautiful surroundings prevail. A licensed director knows the role to be played is one which comforts, shows reverence and respect.



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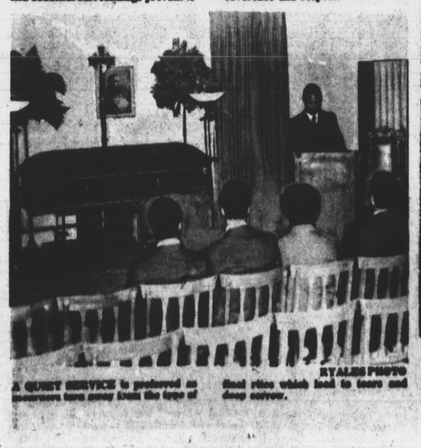
A LOVELY DRESS is just as becoming as if the deceased were alive. Custom requires that the final rites follow rules of society and the deceased be clothed in the "very best."



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A QUIET SERVICE is preferred as mourners turn away from the tree of final rites which lead to tears and deep sorrow.

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THE PROCESSION to the cemetery still maintains the look of dignity and beauty where sorrow and the "final parting" appearance. Funeral customs have changed rapidly in this generation and the mortician helps to steer the family away from fear and grief.

Downtown retail center proposed

State funding for two commuter rail lines serving the Baltimore and Washington, D.C. areas will be discontinued within several years, Maryland transportation secretary James J. O'Donnell has announced.

The trains facing setsidy eliminations are the B&O Brunswick to Washington line and the Conrail line between Penn Station in Baltimore and Washington, D.C.

Secretary O'Donnell cited both operating costs and future capital costs as the major reasons for the decision to no longer fund service on those lines.

"We can no longer afford to finance competing public transportation systems in the same corridors," said the secretary. "Therefore, the department plans to discontinue subsidy payments on the B&O's Brunswick to Washington line when the Metro line to Shady

He added that duplication of service either exists or will exist in both areas when state funding is withdrawn. Grove opens in late 1983."

"Metro's continued expansion will provide many of the area's commuters with excellent service to many areas previously served by the B&O train," said the secretary.

In addition, the department plans to study alternative transportation possibilities for those commuters from northern Montgomery and the Frederick County areas who will be affected by the anticipated elimination of service.

State subsidies for two Conrail commuter trains between Baltimore's Penn Station and Washington also face discontinuation.

"Those trains are operating with rail cars subleased from the State of New Jersey. We simply do not have the money to buy our own new cars when the leased equipment is returned in 1981 or 1982," he said.

NO