

## Joy Townsen



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Little Chapel of the Roses  
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**A**LTMIGHTY God, Father of mercies and giver of all comfort; Deal graciously, we pray thee, with all those who mourn, that, casting every care on thee, they may know the consolation of thy love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**T**HE God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant; Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**R**est eternal grant unto her, O Lord. And let light perpetual shine upon her. May she rest in peace. *Amen.*

**M**ay her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. *Amen.*



**O** GOD, whose mercies cannot be numbered; Accept our prayers on behalf of the soul of thy servant departed, and grant *him* an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of thy saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**M**OST merciful Father, who hast been pleased to take unto thyself the soul of this thy servant (*or* this thy child); Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that having served thee with constancy on earth, we may be joined hereafter with thy blessed saints in glory everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**O** LORD Jesus Christ, who by thy death didst take away the sting of death; Grant unto us thy servants so to follow in faith where thou hast led the way, that we may at length fall asleep peacefully in thee, and awake up after thy likeness; through thy mercy, who livest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

**A**LMIGHTY and everliving God, we yield unto thee most high praise and hearty thanks, for the wonderful grace and virtue declared in all thy saints, who have been the choice vessels of thy grace, and the lights of the world in their several generations; most humbly beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow the example of their stedfastness in thy faith, and obedience to thy holy commandments, that at the day of the general Resurrection, we, with all those who are of the mystical body of thy Son, may be set on his right hand, and hear that his most joyful voice: Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. Grant this, O Father, for the sake of the same, thy Son Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate.



**Joy Juanelle Townsen**

Joy was born at home just outside of Wilson, Texas on October 23, 1935 as Joy Juanelle Corley. She was the sixth child of Willie Bran and Nellie Irene Corley.

Joy had 4 brothers and 2 sisters. Her family lived on a large ranch/farm and Joy grew-up doing the chores as any girl would do in this environment. The chores Joy liked were feeding the chickens and gathering the eggs, tending to the squirrels, cooking in the kitchen and sewing. Joy didn't like hoeing, picking cotton, she also didn't like riding the side in the fields, or boiling and wringing the laundry.

## AT THE GRAVE.

¶ *When they come to the Grave, while the Body is made ready to be laid into the earth.*

**A**Ll that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out. He that raised up Jesus from the dead will also quicken our mortal bodies, by his Spirit that dwelleth in us. Wherefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall rest in hope. Thou shalt show me the path of life; in thy presence is the fulness of joy, and at thy right hand there is pleasure for evermore.

¶ *While the earth shall be cast upon the Body, the Minister shall say,*

**U**NTO Almighty God we commend the soul of our *brother* departed, and we commit *his* body to the ground; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust; in sure and certain hope of the Resurrection unto eternal life, through our Lord Jesus Christ; at whose coming in glorious majesty to judge the world, the earth and the sea shall give up their dead; and the corruptible bodies of those who sleep in him shall be changed, and made like unto his own glorious body: according to the mighty working whereby he is able to subdue all things unto himself.

**I** HEARD a voice from heaven, saying unto me, Write, from henceforth blessed are the dead who die in the Lord: even so saith the Spirit; for they rest from their labours.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.  
*Christ, have mercy upon us.*  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

**O**UR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

She entered the first grade in a small two-room country schoolhouse, "Dixie School House", at 5 years old. Joy and her future husband Duwaine walked and rode horses together to and from school all through 8<sup>th</sup> the grade.

Joy loved to ride her bike and her horse Dolly with Duwaine and her brothers O.B. and Dewey. She loved working with her mom in the kitchen and also enjoyed quilting.

Joy was a talented basketball player and was recruited in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade to play on the high school varsity team where she played until she graduated high school. She was MVP of many high school games as well as MVP at the Regional State Championship in 1949.

Joy grew up in a Primitive Baptist Community that didn't believe in dancing. One time in high school Joy and 7 of her best friends got caught dancing behind the stage curtain and received a spanking from the principal.

Joy was a high school cheerleader except during her basketball season when she was needed to be a star on the court. She was a member of the "Future Homemakers of America Club" and the "Sewing and Quilting Club.

It was in high school when Joy and Duwaine started secretly dating. Joy's parents let her brother O.B. take Joy to the picture show in town, but wouldn't let her meet up with Duwaine and double date.

Joy and Duwaine were married on November 8, 1952, in the home Duwaine had built for them to live in. In

March of 1953, Duwaine was drafted into the Air Force, starting their journey to San Diego.

Their journey included stays in Cheyenne, Wyoming, and then Joy lived with Scotty and Hazel, Duwaine's Brother and wife, in San Diego while he was in Korea, the next stop was Greenville, South Carolina where Donna was born. In 1957 when Duwaine was discharged from the Air Force Joy, Duwaine and Donna made San Diego their home.

In 1963 Lori was born and Joy spent the next part of her life raising her family and building a loving home.

During this time, Joy loved to spend time riding horses, camping, traveling in the motorhome, and spending time with friends at the river. Joy's favorite quiet time included reading and music. She loved to listen to country music and at times enjoyed playing the piano.

When her family was grown she enjoyed spending time with her family especially the grandkids at their cabin in New Mexico and at their condo in Palm Desert. Joy traveled with Duwaine on business around the world meeting and enjoying many friends.

Joy was a loving and respectful woman who always put others before herself. She led her life with dignity and was completely devoted to Duwaine and her family. Joy was a loving wife, mother and grandmother.

**U**NTO God's gracious mercy and protection we commit you. The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. The LORD lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace, both now and evermore. *Amen.*

**G**IVE rest, O Christ, to thy servant with thy saints: where sorrow and pain are no more; neither sighing but life everlasting.

Thou only art immortal, the creator and maker of man: and we are mortal formed from the dust of the earth, and unto earth shall we return: for so thou didst ordain, when thou created me saying: "Dust thou art and unto dust shalt thou return." All we go down to the dust; and weeping o'er the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**C**HRIST is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and giving life to those in the tomb.

**T**HROUGH the tender mercy of our God; whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us, To give light to them that sit in darkness and *in* the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace. [\(Luk 1:78-79 KJV\)](#)

**B**UT unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall. [\(Mal 4:2 KJV\)](#)

**I**NTO the paradise of God\* may the Angels lead thee; and at thy coming may the Martyrs receive thee, and take thee into the holy City Jerusalem. May the Choirs of Angels welcome thee; and with Lazarus, once a beggar, my God grant thee rest eternal. *(In Paradisum, Anglican Missal)*

¶ *Here the Minister shall say,*

And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

**O**UR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *Here the Minister shall say,*  
*Answer.*

The Lord be with you.  
And with thy spirit.

**R**EMEMBER thy servant **Joy**, O Lord, according to the favour which thou bearest unto thy people, and grant that, increasing in knowledge and love of thee, she may go from strength to strength, in the life of perfect service, in thy heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost ever, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

**THEREFORE** are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them.

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sunlight on them, nor any heat.

For the Lamb which is In the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters; and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

**O**LORD, support us all the day long, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then In thy mercy grant us a safe lodging and a holy rest, and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

**A**Lmighty God, Father of mercies and giver of all comfort; Deal graciously, we pray thee, with all those who mourn, that, casting every care upon thee, they may know the consolation of thy love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Order for The Burial of the Dead

The service will be from the 1928 Book of Common Prayer,  
printed in facsimile form herein

**I**AM the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me, shall never die.

I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: and though this body be destroyed, yet shall I see God: whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not as a stranger.

We brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. The LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD.

St. John xi. 21-27

**M**ARTHA said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

THE LORD is my shepherd; \*I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: \*he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: \*he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: \*for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: \*thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: \*and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

*¶ Here, all standing up, the Minister shall say,*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

**Answer.** As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

St. John xiv. 1.

JESUS said, Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. 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. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know. Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way? Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

*¶ Then followeth the Sermon*

*¶ Here may be sung a Hymn or Anthem; and, at the discretion of the Minister.*

Let us say together the Nicene Creed which forms the statement of Christian faith:

*¶ Here the Minister shall say,*

I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man: And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceeded from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

*¶ To be said by all,*

O saving Victim, open wide the gate of heaven to man below; our foes press on from every side; thine aid supply; thy strength bestow. All praise and thanks to thee ascend for evermore, blest One in Three; O grant us life that shall not end in our true native land with thee.