Of all the words our language holds or time can e'er discover
There's none that's half so dear to me as just the name of mother
Among my friends of other days my friends both old and new
Were none that loved me half so well and none were half so true
When thoughts of all her loving deeds come trooping through my mind
The sacrifice she used to make so loving tender kind
It stirs my soul and makes me feel in truth there is no other
in all this big round world of ours to take the place of Mother"

W.M. Sister Conductress, you will present our Mothers and their Daughters.

Cond: "My Sisters, the words of encouragement and love spoken to
you during this ceremony are also meant to include other Mothers present tonight. We honor you equally.
Your loving care and earnest prayers might well be emulated
by us all. Your self-sacrifice, your trustful faith and
and courage are beautiful lessons to us.
""Time may come and time may go,
But Mothers go on forever
They carry the greatest boon on earth
A love that fails us never."

(Cond. steps back to here position and says---

Cond: Worthy Matron, it is with pleasure that I introduce these mothers with their daughters, Sister---- Sister---- etc.

W.M. To you Mothers and Daughters, it is with happiness and joy
that I welcome you in behalf of this chapter, of which you
are all faithful members. I wish I had the command of enough
beautiful words to express the inspiration that I have received
from seeing here viewing all of you mothers and daughters.
A mother and daughter together have all the same interests that
life can produce. Where the Mother has been spiritually, there
the daughter will follow. Perhaps not in her mother's footsteps,
but in her own way, she will eventually experience the same joys
and sorrows, thrills and disappointments.
So many things come with the years. We must all grow, we
cannot stop along life's way, no matter what our age. So to me
there is no closer tie than that of a mother and daughter, walking
side by side throughout the years.
According to our present records, we have had mother and daughter
combinations since Sister Verna was initiated in 1906. Her mother
Sister Rose, is a charter member. Since 1914, Sister Nellie Shaker
has had the joy of having her two daughters with her in our chapter.
Our thoughts are never turned to our Mothers without a feeling of
reverence. Tonight we reverence you and honor you with your
daughters. Again I bid you welcome.

Sister Conductress you will seat our sisters.

(Cond. sits down with the group.)
(Sister Marshall leaves her station and goes to the group, stands before them and says--)

Mar. My Sisters, when we have a large group to honor, we select one of you as your representative. Let your thoughts go with her and may you feel the words of Sisters, Adah, Ruth, Esther, Martha and Electa are for you too.

Marshall goes, bows to Adah... than offer her right arm too her and goes to the station of Adah)

Mar. Sister Adah, I present this Sister who will hear from you words of Love and honor to all mothers.

Adah: My Sister when we think of the lessons taught by Adah we are reminded of a daughter's convictions, but daughters have no stronger convictions of right and duty than Mothers. The Courage and bravery of Mothers is unsurpassed. Duty holds first place in their lives and to them right is stronger than might. Mothers stand by their convictions and conquer by their patience and love. Tonight in representing the daughters of this Chapter I present to you the color appropriate to this degree. Blue symbolizes fidelity and teaches us to be faithful to all moral obligations.

(Marshall winds labyrinth while chapter members singing)

Mar. Sister Ruth, I present this sister who will hear from you words of love and honor to all mothers.

Ruth: My Sister, when we think of the lessons taught by Ruth we are reminded of her constancy and industry of a widow, but these virtues are not more appropriate to widows than to Mothers. Who but our Mothers have shown more courage in carrying the family thru difficult places? Who have more patient industry than our dear mothers? And must watch more carefully the garnering of the minute particles? Patience, industry, constancy, humility—these are the attributes of mothers. Tonight in representing the widows of this Chapter I present to you the color appropriate to this degree. Yellow symbolizes constancy, teaching faithful obedience to the demands of honor and justice.

(Marshall winds labyrinth while chapter members singing)

Marshall: Sister Esther, I present this sister who will hear from you words of love and honor to all Mothers.

Esther: My sister, when we think of the lesson taught by Esther, we are reminded of a wife's supreme self sacrifice and her noble courage and bravery. These virtues of the wife and queen are also the virtues of a Mother. No one on earth makes a more supreme sacrifice than a mother. She risked life for her child. She gives all of herself, her time, her energy and love to her children. She courageously tries to shield them from all harm. Tonight in representing the wives of this chapter, I present to you the color appropriate to this degree. White symbolizes light, Purity and Joy which should teach us that a pure and upright life is above the tongue of reproach.

(Marshall winds labyrinth while chapter members singing)

Marshall: Sister Martha, I present this sister, who will hear from you words of love and honor to all mothers.
Martha: My Sister, when we think of the lessons taught by Martha we are reminded of a sister's faith in God. But where do the sisters first hear the precious words of faith? At the Mother's knee. It's the Mother who teaches the little child it's first prayer who teaches the first lessons on the holy book and instills in the heart the faith we carry thru life. Faith in God, Trustful and strong, hope for eternal life. Helping others with works of life and comfort in times of sadness—Mothers these attributes belong to you. Tonight in representing the sisters of our order I present to you the color appropriate to this degree. Green is an emblem of nature's life and beauty and symbolizes Marthas trustful faith and Hope of Immortality.

(Marshall winds labyrinth while chapter members sing)

Marshall: Sister elects, I present this sister who will hear from you words of love and honor to all Mothers.

Electa: My Sister, we both represent the same person. The Mother, We are kindred spirits. We have just heard words of love and praise to Motherhood, and God grant that we may be worthy of all the beautiful attributes and that we may strive to possess all the loving virtues that were attributed to us. Let us not forget the Lessons taught by Electa, the Mother—Her supreme faith in Jesus, her generous hospitality to others and her wonderful courage in standing for the right in the face of great danger. May we both be true Mothers and may we always bring honor to Our God our home and our fellowmen. Tonight in representing the Mothers of this Chapter I present to you the color appropriate to this degree. Red symbolizes fervency which should actuate all who are engaged in the service of truth.

(After leaving Electa, Marshall winds around altar and then seats Sister and returns to her station.

Worthy patron rises and says:

"My Sisters you have spoken kindly and truthfully to our mothers but the evening would not be complete without an expression of reverence from the Sons of their Mothers. So in behalf of the sons of this Chapter I offer this tribute to Mothers.

The noblest thought my soul can claim,  
The holiest words my tongue can frame,  
Unworthy are to praise the name  
More sacred than all others,  
An infant when her love first came,  
A man—I found it just the same,  
Reverently I breathe her name,  
The blessed name of mother.

W.M. Sister Cond you will again present these mothers and their daughters.

(Gifts presented, Marshall assisting by presenting gifts as honored guests stand, we shall sing "Mother mine" in OBS song

Booklet page 4. Then Cond. seats guests again and returns to her station)

W.M. We want to mention that we have had more mothers and daughters in our Chapter, but for some reason or another, both are not members of our
O. E. S. MOTHER-DAUGHTER NITE

(To be sung after Adah)

1. Tune: "America The Beautiful"

Oh beautiful your service sweet
So freely given to me
Your loving care and earnest prayer
That I might worthy be.
O Mother dear, O Mother dear,
What joy to you, I give
And crown with good your Motherhood
If I would nobly live.

(To be sung after Ruth)

2. Tune: "America The Beautiful"

Oh beautiful your golden dreams
That sees beyond the day
That person you would have me be
Cherish that dream I pray
O Mother dear, O Mother dear,
Help me to clearly see
That your success and nobleness
Wrought out in life by me.

(To be sung after Esther)

3. Tune: "America The Beautiful"

Oh beautiful the goal you've set
Uplifted high for me
Its shining gleam marks out a path
Toward true nobility.
O Mother dear, O Mother dear,
God grant this boon to you
That I repay your yearning care
With love profound and true.

(To be sung after Martha)

4. Tune: "America The Beautiful"

Oh beautiful the faith instilled
To children at your knee
The holy book you taught to me,
And trust your earnest plea,
O Mother dear, O Mother dear
God grant that I may be,
A child of faithful loyalty,
To lessons taught by thee.
thank the officers who took part in this ceremony.

W.M. Sister Cond. you will attend at the altar.

Close chapter

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