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We must give if we should have
That blessing from above;
Ceasing to give we cease to have,
Such is the law of love.

MEMORIAL SERVICE, OR CHAPTER OF SORROW
By W. J. Wirtz,
Past Worthy Patron of Columbus Chapter No. 325, of Texas.

(To be given at a stated meeting or
at a called meeting)

1. The Memorial ceremony will be opened
by a bow of the gavel.

2. The Worthy Matron will state the
purpose of the meeting.

3. Draping of the Altar, by the two
oldest members of the Chapter.

(The Altar cloth to be folded and
placed on the altar before the
meeting with the Bible placed
upon the cloth and in its proper
position. The folded cloth to
meet the edges of the Book.

Those draping the Altar remain
standing on the North and South
sides of the Altar, respectively,

4. The Conductress will attend at the
altar.

She takes her position between Ruth
and Esther and remains standing.

5. Prayer by Chaplain.

6. Hymn, "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross."

7. Secretary reads names of the
departed.

8. The Marshal, Warden and Treasurer
approach the Altar with Evergreens, in
the following manner:
The Marshal between
Adah and Ruth, nearest Adah;
The Warden between
Ruth and Adah, nearest Ruth;
The Treasurer between Electa
and Martha, nearest Electa,

9. The Worthy Matron asks the Asso-
ciate Conductress to take her place at the
altar, approaching between Martha
and Electa, nearest Martha.

10. Worthy Matron: Sister Associate
Conductress, what message do you bring?

11. The Associate Conductress reads the
23rd Psalm.

12. Marshal, Warden and Treasurer at
this time include Evergreens around
the edge of the altar, then step back,
taking their position in the following
manner:

13. Worthy Matron: Sister Adah, what
message do you bring?

14. Worthy Matron: Sister Ruth, what
message do you bring?

15. Worthy Matron: Sister Esther, what
message do you bring?

16. Worthy Matron: Sister Martha,
what message do you bring?

17. Worthy Matron: Sister Electa,
what message do you bring?

18. Worthy Matron: Sister Associate
Matron, Brother Associate Patron, you
will approach the Altar from the West.

Worthy Matron: Brother Associate
Patron, what message do you bring?

Associate Patron: We have a mes-
sage of hope for you which our Asso-
ciate Matron will read.

Associate Matron reads the following

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(Anne and Associate Patron step back into circle.)

Worthy Matron: Worthy Patron, we will approach the Altar from the East.

Worthy Patron: Worthy Matron invites all other members present to form
an outer circle.

Worthy Matron: Worthy Patron, what message do you bring?

Worthy Patron: Worthy Matron reads the following poem:

THIS OLD CLAY HOUSE
By S. J. Monk

When I'm thru with this old clay house of mine,
When no more guide lights thru the windows shine,
Just box it up and lay it away.

With the other clay houses of yesterday.
And with it, my friends, do try if you can,
To live in this house, busy and free.

With all the old and out of your debt.
When I meet the Grand Architect Supreme
And with it, my friends, do try if you can,
To live in this house, busy and free.

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