Memorial Service

Worthy Matron:

Sisters and brothers, at this time will dedicate a portion of this meeting to the memory of our departed members, who, in days gone by, have met with us in the holy bonds of fraternity. It is fitting at this time that we bring to the attention of this Chapter the virtues that characterized their lives and made their service to our beloved Chapter a thing to be remembered.

Sisters Conductress and Associate Conductress, you will drape the altar in memory of our departed sisters and brothers.

Conductress carries drape and Associate Conductress the wreath. After placing them on the Altar, the Conductress Says:

"In the Garden of the Master lilies bloom in white array, Violets blue, jasmine golden, ferns of green and roses gay— There a throng of shining angels guard this garden with great care; And our loved ones will be waiting when we go to meet them there."

Both return to their stations.

Solo "In the Garden." Sister Helen Price

Associate Conductress:

"We extend sympathy to all Sisters and Brothers who are left to mourn the loss of loved ones, as we pay tribute to their memory. God's finger touched them and they slipped away. From earth's dark shadows to a brighter day."

Worthy Matron:

"Sister Secretary, you will read the names of our departed Sisters and Brothers so we may pay tribute to their memory."

Secretary:

"Let us believe for a moment that an Angel of the Lord appears in His garden and there records the names of our Loved ones, each as he is called. With a sympathy that is deep and true. I read the names of those we've lost:"

Marshal carrying basket approaches Adah who places flowers therein saying; Repeat this to all the star points after each one has contributed their part. After Electa is through with her saying, you place basket in front of the altar. Afterwards you say:

"Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God."

Sister Adah: Place flower in the basket.

"Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."
Sister Ruth:  Place flower in basket.

"Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted."

Sister Esther:  Place flower in basket.

"Blessed are the meek; for they shall inherit the earth."

Sister Martha:  Place flower in basket.

"Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall be filled."

Sister Electa:  Place flower in the basket.

"Blessed are the merciful; for they shall obtain mercy."

Worthy Matron:

Let us unite in prayer,

Sister Chaplain:

"Our beloved Father, grant to us that peace which settled upon Christ in the garden. We ask the same questions as He did and the answer is the same—Thy will be done. May we have the faith to believe that Thou knowest what is best for us and our loved ones. Give us the strength to do Thy bidding at all times.

"We thank Thee for the promise of Eternal Life to all who believe in Christ, Our Saviour. Amen."