

(Handwritten date: Tuesday, May 23, 1939)

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the neighbors, friends, minister, members of the M. E. church co-workers Sunday School class and others for the beautiful flowers and many kindnesses extended to us during the recent illness and death of our husband and father.

---Mrs. William J. Archbold and children.

IN MEMORIAM

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith."

The thoughts and inspiration of these words of Saint Paul may well be considered today as a special bequest to us from our friend, teacher and president of our class.

Mr. William J. Archbold

For more than forty years Mr. Archbold was a faithful member of this church and church school. During those years he freely and unsparingly contributed to the best of his ability in serving his Master.

He was a charter member of this class, and for many years efficiently served as our teacher and president. We have frequently heard him testify as to his faith in God.

The years of his life were variously filled with days of joy and of sorrow; with days of prosperity and days of adversity; but throughout all of them, he would smile and say, "The best of it all, God is with us, I will keep the faith."

Last week as he walked down through the valley of the shadow of death, he feared no evil - the rod and the staff of the Good Shepherd comforted him. And on the morning of May 17, 1939, he journeyed onward to that city that hath foundations whose builder and maker is God.

Therefore, be it resolved by the Co-workers class of the church school of the First Methodist church of Decatur that this memorial be adapted as an expression of the high esteem we hold for Mr. Archbold, and that a copy of the same be sent to his family with the prayers that they too may this day find comfort in the words of the Master: "Come unto me all ye that are heavy laden and I will give ye rest."

Earl D. Colter

S. R. Peoples

Henry B. Heller

Committee

Read and unanimously adopted by the Class at the regular Sunday morning services, this 21st day of May 1939.

W. R. Fonner, Acting President

Giles V. Porter, Secretary

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