The Sandy Valley Equirer April 1941

Rebecca (Jo) Bailey

Rebecca (Jo) Bailey, the daughter of D.L. and Mary Margaret Bellow Bailey, was born June 3rd, 1873, and departed this life Monday evening at 6:00, at the age of 67 years.

She was united in marriage to Charles W. Bays, May 23, 1897. To this union was born four children. Kinner of Springfield, Oregon, Tarvin, San Luis, California and Gertrude and Bertha at home.

Sister Bays had been a life long resident of Carter County, Kentucky. She was the daughter of one of the pioneer Methodist families of Kentucky.

Her greatest delight was in doing something for others, not only of the grown people, but for the children. Among her close friends are a number of the younger group and small.

She never wanted to be a care to her family and loved ones. Even while in the hospital and while she suffered within her own body, yet she was thinking of the sufferings of others and wanting to do something for them.

Sister Bays will be greatly missed by all who knew her, her place in the community will not be easily filled, and the vacancy made in the home by her going can never be filled. Others may come into the home and into our lives but none can take the place of Mother.

To those who mourn her departure, we do not say "Weep not", for we know Jesus would not have us say so, but with you we weep, and to you our hearts go out, will you seek for comfort in Him, who said, "Let not your hearts be troubled, ye believe in God, believe also in me. In My Father's House are many mansions. I go to prepare place for you. I will come again and receive you unto myself that where I am there shall ye be also."

Mother is gone, but may the best that was in her life be a challenge for you to live more nobly.

The sun of your life may be clouded today, but cheer up, for to us is the promise of a brighter tomorrow. May the blessings of God rest upon you who sorrow and upon the absented loved ones who are far away.

Jesus said "My peace I leave with you, let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." May His sustaining grace comfort you in this hour and in the days to come.

Surviving are two step-sons, Ollie Adams of Olive Hill and Doc Adams of Louisville; a daughter, Mrs. Pearl Sherman of Olive Hill; and a brother, Frank Owens of Olive Hill.

Funeral services were conducted at 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 10, at the Leslie A. Henderson Funeral Home, Olive Hill by the Rev. Steve Clotfelter. Burial will be in the Garvin Ridge Cemetery.