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W.M. announces Memorial service, or at a stated time, Warden lowers lights.

W.M.

" A true fine friend from us is gone,  
A voice we loved is stilled  
A place is vacant in our Chapter  
That never can be filled ."

Sisters and Brothers, tonight with reverence, we pay homage to the severed links of our Golden Chain. \*It becomes my responsibility to announce that on date our sister ( or brother) followed the light of the Star that leads beyond our vision to that beautiful Chapter above, where the meeting is Eternal.

Name ←

Our Memorial Service should not make us sad, but should inspire us with Hope and strengthen our Faith.

We should only look back with pleasure to the many happy hours we spent with our sister (s) (or brother) and remember her for her (their) many fine traits of character and the wonderful lesson of courage she left with us by her example of patient and cheerful suffering.

"She would not want the ones she loved  
To grieve for her today  
We must not say that she is dead  
For she is "just away "  
May upon a journey  
To a lands thats bright and fair  
And tho' we all still miss her here  
We know she's happy there . "

\* If preferred  
the Sec. can  
read the name  
or names  
instead of W.

Solo: Beyond the Sunset

W.M. Sister Chaplain, will you lead us in prayer? ---- Calls Chapter up.

Chaplain goes to Altar , kneels :

" O God , our Master, we thank Thee for thy loving kindness  
We thank Thee for this dear friend we have known and loved. Guide us and help us all to be kind and sincere and lead us all into Thy Holy Presence, where we may dwell, forever, -- Amen "

Chaplain arises.

W.M. Sisters Conductress and Assoc. Conductress, let us drape our <sup>Chaplain</sup> ~~Altar~~ in loving memory of our sister.

<sup>Chaplain</sup>  
Conductresses drape ~~Altar~~ in regular form, ~~the W.P. speaks:~~

W.P.

" Sleep on, oh Friend , until the waking day,  
~~And we who loved thy presence here~~  
Will keep thy memory bright  
Thru' each swiftly passing year. "

Solo: Old Rugged Cross (not necessary to have two solos)

At close of song [REDACTED] W.M. speaks:

W.M.

" Across the far horizon  
The ship has dipped its sail,  
A brighter harbor beckons  
Where peace and love prevail.  
There is no death!-  
Our loved one, has only found the chart  
To that peaceful sheltered harbor  
Where loved ones never part."

**Note:** The solo may be omitted and the Worthy Matron speak her verse immediately after the Worthy Patron has spoken his lines.

Conductresses retire from labyrinth and Chapter is seated.

The solo could be given at this point if the Worthy Matron wishes, but one song during the ceremony is usually sufficient.