

## **Memorial Minute for Margaret Baker**

Margaret Rosalie Singleton Baker, beloved member of Adelpi Meeting, died on April 13, 1988 at the age of 68 years. Her family and friends gathered to share in a heartwarming Memorial Meeting on April 16, 1988.

A birthright member of Homewood Meeting in Baltimore, Margaret spoke of the support and guidance she received from Friends there, both as a child and as she entered her lifelong career as a Registered Nurse. Her parents and a beloved uncle had died by the time she was 17 years old so that her friendships at Homewood became even more important to the nurturing of her spirit. She wrote, "I have always felt supported by Friends. No matter what my situation should be, I did not feel admonished or unsettled at any time. There was always a clear idea of devotion to what was occurring at that moment."

Margaret's ready wit and gentle wisdom were blessings to all who knew her. In every aspect of her life she was truly a salt-of-the-earth person. She brought out the best in each of us with her acceptance and understanding. Her favorite hymn, "Trust and Obey", expresses the simple philosophy by which she responded to her life's unfolding through the years.

She walked gently over the earth, responding to that of God in every person. She opened her heart to all comers. She dwelt joyfully in the light.

Her sister, four children, five grandchildren and countless friends live on, with heartfelt gratitude for having known her.