

## **A Celebration of Life and Remembrance**

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Prelude

Speaker 1: "Please stand and join in the singing of the "Hymn of Promise".  
Hymn: *"Hymn of Promise"*

Speaker 2: "Continue to stand as we read "Do It Anyway" written by  
Mother Teresa."

Choral Reading: *"Do It Anyway"* by Mother Teresa

Leader: People are often unreasonable, illogical, and self-centered;

Assembly: Forgive them anyway.

Leader: If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives;

Assembly: Be kind anyway.

Leader: If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true enemies;

Assembly: Succeed anyway.

Leader: If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you;

Assembly: Be honest and frank anyway.

Leader: What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight;

Assembly: Build anyway.

Leader: If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous;

Assembly: Be happy anyway.

Leader: The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow;

Assembly: Do good anyway.

Leader: Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough;

Assembly: Give the world the best you've got anyway.

Leader: You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and God;

Assembly: It was never between you and them anyway.

*Ceremony of Remembrance*

Speaker 1: A book, a candle, and a rose so red - - - these are the symbols of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society. Friendship, loyalty, and helpfulness - - - these are the ideals of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society. Inspiration, guidance, and appreciation of beauty - - - these are the rewards for those who participate in the work of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society.

Today, we as members of \_\_\_\_\_ (chapter or area), the Texas State Organization of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International come together to honor our friends and members that have departed since the last Area II workshop. These women were all that the Society stands for, a key woman educator. They enriched the lives of those that they taught and with whom they worked, and now the lives of our sisters will ever be reflected in our hearts.

Speaker 3: No reading part - - - As each name is read, take a white rose from the vase and place it on the Bible.

Speaker 1: "A white rose will be placed on the Bible for each name read."  
(Read chapter name and members' names.)

Speaker 4:

*"Rose Behind the Wall"*  
*Author unknown*

A rose once grew where all could see,  
Sheltered beside a garden wall.  
And, as the days passed swiftly by,  
It spread its branches, straight and tall.  
One day, a beam of light shone through  
a crevice that had opened wide.  
The rose bent gently toward its warmth  
Then passed beyond to the other side.  
Now, you who deeply feel its loss,  
Be comforted, the rose blooms there.  
Its beauty even greater now,  
Nurtured by God's own loving care.

(Author unknown)

Speaker 1: "Please stand for the Benediction."

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace;  
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
Where there is injury, pardon;  
Where there is doubt, faith;  
Where there is despair, hope;  
Where there is darkness, light;  
And where there is sadness, joy.  
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so  
Much seek to be consoled as to console.  
To be understood as to understand;  
To be loved, as to love;  
For it is in giving that we receive,  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;  
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.  
Amen.

Postlude