



## Bettie Brown

June 28, 1950 - May 23, 2007

Family hour will take place at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 2, 2007 with funeral service commencing at 10:00 a.m. at Lewis Temple C.O.G.I.C., 3300 Hess Street. Bishop Fred Lewis will officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery. Friends may call at Browne's Mortuary, 441 N. Jefferson Ave. on Friday, 2:00 until 8:00 p.m. The Zeta Omega Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. will present a service at 6:00 p.m. Bettie Jean Brown, beloved mother, grandmother, cousin and friend went from labor to rest on Wednesday, May 23, 2007 at St Francis Hospital in Memphis, TN at the age of 56 years. Bettie Jean Gee was born June 28, 1950 in Cleveland, MS to Bill and Corinne Gee. They preceded her in death. She grew up in Cleveland, MS where she attended high school and Delta State University. In 1985, she and her children relocated to Saginaw, MI. Bettie received an Associates Degree from Delta College and earned a Bachelor's Degree from Central Michigan University. She was employed by MSU Extension as the Individual Development Account Coordinator. She was also employed at Rambo House before moving to Memphis, TN. She was a faithful member of Lewis Temple C.O.G.I.C. Bettie was a true advocate for higher education and was involved in many community activities. She was a member of Zeta Omega Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., past president of the Zeta Amicae Auxiliary of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. and served in offices at Regional and State level. She and daughter Sherita organized the Zeta Amicettes Youth Group of Saginaw. She leaves to cherish her memory three sons, Samuel

(Statha) Gee, Tarkeus Gee and Desmond Matthews; 14 grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; two special cousins, Mary Bond and Joyce Lee; a host of other relatives and friends. Bettie was also preceded in death by her daughter, Sherita Dosal.

# Tribute Wall

SH

“ *To the family of my dear friend.  
I pray that the Lord continue to strengthen you in your time of sorrow, I am very sorry that I was not able to attend her home going service. But I thought back on something Bettie and I had talked about. We wanted to remember each other lively, full of energy. I talked with her a week before she past. When I could not reach her, I knew she was in the hospital again. I just wish at that time she would have taken her cell with her. So that I could have spoken with her before she when home. I miss her call, her voice, and just the wittythings she would say. Every week we would talk with each other sometimes two or three times a week. I miss, and love Bettie, but God loved her best. Rest on Bettie you don't have anything to worry about now.*

*Love, your friend and sister in Christ  
Shirley*

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**Shirley hopkins** - May 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ *Just a note to express my condolences at the loss of Bettie. I had the opportunity to work with her at Houghton-Jones and Michigan State University. I pray that God will sustain you in this time.*

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**Pastor Charles Coleman** - May 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *To the Brown Family, may you find peace in knowing that our thoughts and prayers are with your family in the time of your loss. Bettie was special, she brought joy and smiles to the individuals she touched. She will be greatly missed.*

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**Janice L. Brown** - May 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ rest in peace ms bettie,  
ms bettie was the first person to take a picture with my family and i  
at our new home. the home we purchase with our I.D.A. monies.  
she ran the program well and it meant alot to ms bettie. RIP ms  
bettie and god bless this family.

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**brenda a jackson** - May 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Sharing in your loss... Statha keep your head up... God is near seek  
him while he may be found, call upon him while he is near. I love  
you all and praying for all. Be Blessed... Bena

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**Trevina Shearer** - May 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ To the family of Mrs. Bettie Brown:  
You have my Deepest Sympathy and I will keep you in my prayers!  
It hasn't been that long ago that I lost my father(06/06) and I'm still  
coping :-(. Ms. Bettie will be sadly missed by me and many of my  
co-workers here at MSU Extension. We already felt a loss when she  
moved to Memphis, TN, but this is Definitely a Much Deeper loss!! I  
was her secretary, friend and I(we) consider myself her second  
daughter - Not that I could EVER or would Ever try to replace or  
walk in Sherita's shoes!! On a positive note... You KNOW they are  
"having a Ball!" :-)

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**Denise Chandler** - May 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ To the family of Bettie Brown. I have been friends with Bettie since she started volunteering at Houghton-Jones Neighborhood Task Force in 1998. Bettie and I remained friends after she began working at MSU Extension and I returned back to SCCMHA's main building. We had monthly lunch engagements. In fact, we had lunch the day before she left to move to Memphis in December. Betty was a true friend and will be missed dearly. God does not make mistakes. Your mother and grandmother was a child of God and she is now rejoicing in heaven (with Rita). My thoughts and prayers are with the family at this difficult time. Remember to hold to God's unchanging hand. He will comfort you.

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**Debbie Jones-Burt** - May 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM