



Raymond Manning

December 1, 1917 - March 14, 2005

Manning, Mr. Raymond Saginaw, Michigan. Family hour will take place at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, March 19, 2005 at First Baptist Church of Vassar, 5880 Frankenmuth Road, Vassar, Mich., with the funeral service commencing at 11:00 a.m. Elder James Lewis will officiate with interment in Riverside Cemetery in Vassar. Friends may call at the Browne's Mortuary, 441 N. Jefferson Ave. in Saginaw on Friday from 2:00 until 8:00 p.m. Raymond passed away Monday, March 14, 2005 at the age of 87 years. He was born December 1, 1917 in Bristow, Oklahoma to union of Roxie and Joseph Manning. He was the oldest sibling of Gladys and Beatrice. Raymond graduated from Dunbar High School in Oklahoma City in the spring of 1938 and attended Langston University. He joined the U.S. Army in 1942, served in Germany, Okinawa and Australia, and received an honorable discharge in 1944. He worked at the Saginaw Grey Iron Foundry, retiring in 1972 and was a member of UAW Local 668. He was a member of Little Zion Baptist Church in Compton, California. He enjoyed fishing, hunting and traveling. He loved watching television. His favorite shows were the History Channel, Animal Kingdom and the Antique Guild. Preceding him in glory were his parents; five children, Roxie, Victor, Regina, Joey and Johnny and his sisters, Gladys and Beatrice. He is survived by his loyal and dedicated companion, Vina Swinton; sons, Alvin and wife, Raymond Jr. and wife; daughters, Andrea Sanchez and companion, Julian Combs, Brunett and Adrian Dargan, Lillian and Darrin Ayers and Annie Murphy; a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren and friends. In the end, it's not the end of your life, but rather the life in your years.