



Viola Beeler

April 22, 1909 - March 31, 2006

Family hour will take place at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, April 7, 2006 at Bethel A.M.E. Church, 535 Cathay Street, with the funeral commencing at 11:00 a.m. Pastor P. David Saunders will officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery. Friends may call at the Browne's Mortuary, 441 N. Jefferson Ave. on Thursday from 2:00 until 8:00 p.m. Our beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great-grandmother, put off mortality and put on immortality March 31, 2006 at the graceful age of 96 years, 22 days short of her 97th birthday. Mrs. Viola M. Beeler was born in Harrisburg, PA on April 22, 1909. She went on to Chicago where she attended and graduated from the prestigious Madame C. J. Walker School of Cosmetology on the 5th day of July 1935. She also graduated from the Charm Beauty School of Saginaw. Mrs. Beeler was a member of Bethel A.M.E. Church since 1932. She faithfully served as a member of the Senior Choir. She was also a member of the Florence Dean Circle, a missionary group of the church. Mrs. Beeler was employed by Mrs. Cora Griffin Kirksey and Shiver's Barber and Beauty Shop until she retired. She also worked election polls at various locations in Saginaw. She was preceded in death by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lott; first husband, Aarom Mathis; a son, William Mathis; second husband, Thomas W. Beeler; a granddaughter, Phyllis Watson; son-in-law, Arthur L. Watson, and a special friend, Cora Kirksey. Mrs. Beeler leaves to cherish in memory, one daughter, Louise R. Watson of Saginaw, MI; five grandsons, Donald A. and Wendell R. of Saginaw, MI, Daryl P. (Jennifer) Watson of Bay City, MI, Michael

D. (Gwen) Watson of Albuquerque, NM and Gary L. Watson of Long Beach, CA; 26 great-grandchildren and 30 great-great-grandchildren and many friends.

Tribute Wall

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“ *To the Viola Beeler Family, please accept our condolence in the loss of your love one. We will keep you in our prayers just remember that Jesus lives and you can face tomorrow.*

Helen Ross - March 31, 2006 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Our prayers are with you during your time of sorrow. Mrs. Beeler was a great lady and role model for me as a young girl growing up at Bethel. I can still see her singing in the choir, always looking so professional and singing GOD's praises. Just know your mother and grandmother was a great lady. We moved away from Saginaw 10 years ago.*

Berlin & Bobbie Lockhart - March 31, 2006 at 12:00 AM