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Life is like a journey
Taken on a train
With a pair of travelers
At each windowpaine.

I might sit beside you
All the journey thru
Or I might sit elsewhere
Never knowing you;

But if fate should decree
That I sit by your side,
Let us be pleasant travelers.
It's so short a ride.

submitted by
The Family

HOMEGOING SERVICE
OF
DEACON JESSIE C. BRABHAM
1919 1990

SUNDAY, JUNE, 17, 1990
7:00 P.M.
HOPEWELL BAPTIST CHURCH
1307 FILLMORE AVE. BUFFALO, N.Y

REV. DENNIS LEE, JR. PASTOR
Jessie C. Brabham, the son of the late Carrie Bell Williams and Eddie Brabham, was born in Luray, S.C., July 31, 1919. He slipped away from us early Thursday morning, June 14, 1990, at the Veterans Administration Facility where he had been in intensive care for his entire admission of several days.

At the approximate age of 7, he was brought by his family to live in Elmsford, N.Y. where they attended the First Baptist Church and where he began his formal education. In 1930, they moved to White Plains, N.Y., to the town of Greenburgh where he continued in the public schools and attended the New Zion F.B.H. Church until his entry into the C.C.C. Camps for employment. This was followed by his enlistment into the United States Army. Before the Army, he met and married his first love, Lillian, who predeceased him in death after only a few years of being happily wedded. His second union resulted in divorce but yielded several children whom he spoke of fondly and regreted not being in the position to watch them grow and mature in Arizona where he settled after his Army years.

He returned to White Plains briefly, finally settling in the City of Buffalo, the home of his late brother, Earl, who predeceased him April 20, 1990. He was employed in the taxi business and was an employee of the VA Hospital Facility until his retirement August 1, 1986.

Over the years in Buffalo, he enjoyed his friends with whom he spent much time. In friendship, he joined the Turtles, Inc., the ABC Bowling League, and became a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a proud member of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows. Above all, he found satisfaction in knowing that he was a definite part of Hopewell Baptist Church where he served on the Deacon Board.

He was predeceased by his brother, Earl, April 20, 1990. Beside the above mentioned, he is survived by his older brother, Edward, two sisters: Mrs. Odell B. Day, and Lenora Brabham of White Plains, N.Y., a niece Sheryl Day Fabi, a grand-niece, Paris Fabi, a nephew, Joseph Day, Jr., aunts, cousins, other relatives and his beloved friends.