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*At Home with Her Lord*



*Reatha Mae Lee*

*1932 - 2010*





# *Remembrance of Life*

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## *Reatha Mae Lee*

*October 22, 1932 ~ February 12, 2010*

Reatha Mae Lee was born on October 22, 1932 in Havana, Florida to the late Jennie and Sinclair Davis. Reatha was one of 10 brothers and sisters.

On April 24, 1949, Reatha was united in holy matrimony with Mr. Dennis Lee. Both Dennis' and Reatha's families were experienced farmers who traveled between the north and south in six month intervals to work harvesting crops according to the season. While in the New York State area, they harvested apples.

Later in 1949, Dennis and Reatha relocated to South Lima, New York, and then Buffalo, New York where there were better employment opportunities available for Dennis. Reatha remained a stay-at-home mother, caring for their five children. While living in South Lima, Reatha had received Jesus Christ as her personal Lord and Savior. She valued her relationship with God and often recounted the story of her conversion to her son Dennis. She fellowshipped at the Zion Baptist Church under the pastorate of the late Pastor Craven where she served as a Sunday School teacher. Once in Buffalo, Reatha became a member at Antioch Baptist Church under the pastorate of the late Reverend Guy Graves. Dennis preceded Reatha in death in 1978.

Reatha is remembered as a wonderful and caring mother who loved to cook and care for her children. She took great pride in always keeping them looking groomed and neat. Although she was quiet and to herself, Reatha treasured everything in life. She was also known for her strength and spirit of independence.

On Friday morning, February 12, 2010, at Sisters Hospital in Buffalo, New York, Reatha Mae Lee departed this life to be with the Lord. She was preceded in death by one of her beloved sons, Robert E. Lee who passed away in 2001 and four of her sisters and two of her brothers. Reatha's memory will be cherished by those who loved her dearly: three sons: Reverend Dennis (Paulette) Lee, Jr. of Buffalo, NY, Julyon V. Lee of Rochester, NY and Elder Sinclair A. (Dawn) Lee of Cleveland, OH; one daughter, Yvonne Williams of Rochester, NY; ten grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; two sisters: Susie Mae Davis of Palmetto, FL and Linda Joyce (James) Davis of Bradenton, FL; one brother, James Davis of Rockledge, FL; one aunt, Luethel Norwood of Oakland, CA; one sister-in-law, Laura Davis of Hurlock, MD, and a host of nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

# Order of Service



**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2010**

Wake 11 AM · Funeral Service 12 Noon

**HOPEWELL BAPTIST CHURCH**

1301 FILLMORE AVENUE · BUFFALO, NEW YORK 14211

*Reverend Dennis Lee, Jr., Pastor*

**REVEREND DR. JAMES C. BLACKBURN, JR.**

*Pastor, Greater Hope Baptist Church*

*Officiating*

Hymn of Comfort

Scripture Readings

Old Testament ..... Ecclesiastes 12:1-7 ..... Minister Raymond Pugh

New Testament..... John 14:1-6 ..... Minister Gregory Ashley

Prayer of Comfort ..... Pastor Brent McCalister

*Midtown Bible Church*

Selection..... Hopewell Baptist Church Choir

Acknowledgements &

Reading of Obituary..... Deaconess Ann Hooks

Selection..... Hopewell Baptist Church Choir

Eulogy ..... Reverend Dr. James C. Blackburn, Jr.

Recessional

## **INTERMENT**

**ST. MATTHEWS CEMETERY**

*Immediately Following Interment,  
The Family Will Receive Friends\* at the  
Hopewell Baptist Church Annex*

# ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

## PALLBEARERS

Mr. Damon L. Lee  
Mr. Quincy D. Lee

Reverend Dennis Lee, Jr.  
Elder Sinclair A. Lee

Mr. Julyon V. Lee  
Mr. Calvin White

## THE CARE OF OUR LOVED ONE

THOMAS T. EDWARDS FUNERAL HOME, INC.  
995 Genesee Street  
Buffalo, New York 14211  
(716) 894-4888  
*Mr. Darrell Saxon II, Funeral Director*

## INTERMENT

ST. MATTHEWS CEMETERY  
180 French Road  
West Seneca, New York 14224

## THANK YOU

*Our hearts are filled with sorrow over the passing of our loved one, yet, during this time of bereavement, you have helped to lift many of our burdens, for which we are indeed grateful. Your many calls, visits, cards, words of encouragement and expressions of kindness shall never be forgotten.  
May God bless each and every one of you.*

*The Family of Reatha Mae Lee*

