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A Life
Of Love,
Of Wisdom,
Of Strength !

October 6
1934
September 15
2010

Rutha Mae
Parish

Rutha Mae Parish



Following more than a decade of illness, on Wednesday, September 15, 2010, Rutha Mae Parish peacefully entered Life Eternal in her Vernon Place home.

Mother of seven, grandmother of twenty six, great grandmother of five, Rutha Mae was the personification of the true meaning of "Mother." Born to Willie and Almitte Clark in Pine Bluff, Arkansas, Rutha Mae was blessed to live longest of her family of six. Rutha Mae's marriage to Jack Parish lasted more than a half century and produced seven children: four sons, Reginald, Andre, Carl, and Kenneth; three daughters, Katherine, Cheneta, and Mondell.

Rutha Mae began her life as a Christian at an early age and continued to be active both on the Mother's Board and as a Deaconess. Her Christian life, hard work, spiritual strength and high standards of conduct became a model for her children.

Until health challenges overcame her, she earned her living in the Chicago School System in Environmental Maintenance. On her relocation to Buffalo fourteen years ago, she continued to enjoy cooking, "Pine Bluff, Arkansas style" as well as travelling. Throughout her house-bound declining illness of the immediate past years, she never, not once, complained.

Rutha Mae was preceded in death by her mother and father, Almitte and Willie Clark and her five siblings.

To share in her legacy, of Love, of Wisdom, of Strength, she leaves seven children, twenty six grandchildren, and five great grandchildren.



*"Even when we cannot understand God's Purpose,
we can choose to trust His Wisdom, even in Death."*

HOME GOING CELEBRATION

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2010

Hopewell Baptist Church
1301 Fillmore Avenue · Buffalo, New York 14211
Reverend Dennis Lee, Jr., Pastor
Officiating



Organ Prelude Pastor Rosetta Swai

Processional

VIEWING AND FAMILY VISITATION
11 AM - 12 Noon

Hymn "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Scripture Lessons

Old Testament Psalm 23..... Cheryl Lynn Oldhar

New Testament..... John 14:1-13 Jason Paris

Prayer of Intercession..... Reverend Dennis Lee, J

Acknowledgement of Condolences &

Reading of Obituary Katherine Paris

Hymn "Blessed Assurance"

Remarks Jack Paris

Arthur O. Eve, S

Retired Deputy Speaker, New York State Assemb

Selection "I Won't Complain" Mitchell McClou

Eulogy..... Reverend Dennis Lee, J

Recessional and Organ Postlude..... Pastor Rosetta Swai

INTERMENT

Forest Lawn Cemetery

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

~ LASTING THOUGHTS ~

God calls His children home into a place of peace and light, and our loved one, Rutha Mae Parish, is home in the Lord's beautiful presence. We know that all is well. That same God is watching over each of us.



PALLBEARERS

Friends of the Family

THE CARE OF OUR LOVED ONE

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Mr. Darrell Saxon II, Funeral Director

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1411 Delaware Avenue · Buffalo, New York 14209

THANK YOU

With gratitude and appreciation, the family of Rutha Mae Parish thanks each one who helped in numerous and wonderful ways to send our Mother, Grandmother and Great Grandmother to her next life in Christ.

