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Inheriting the Kingdom

Beulah K. Thomas
Remembering the Life of

BEULAH K. (PEEBLES) THOMAS

October 28, 1943 ~ October 7, 2010

Our sun rose on October 28, 1943, the day that Thero and Flora Thomas were blessed by God with the birth of our mother, Beulah K. Thomas.

She was born into a very large and closely knit family and often reminisced of those years spent on the family farm in Romulus, Alabama. She was a woman of integrity who credited her grandfather, the late Russell (Papa) Thomas, with instilling in her strong Christian and family values. Papa believed that any act of love, compassion or humanity was a manifestation of the God within us and that no one could profess to love God without first professing to love their brother.

She accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior at an early age and often spoke fondly of her baptism in Romulus’ very own Jordan River. She was a member of Holley Springs Baptist Church when she resided in Alabama. She became a member of Hopewell Baptist Church, under the shepherding of the late Reverend John F.D. Lyles when she moved to Buffalo, New York.

Beulah and James Matthew Peebles were united in holy matrimony in Greene County, Alabama and God blessed their union with five children: Rodney, Tonya, Janice, James and Tony. The family later moved to Tuscaloosa, Alabama before finally settling in Buffalo, New York.

Beulah was formerly employed in various capacities. Her employers included the Buffalo Board of Education, St. Augustine Center, and West Seneca Developmental Services. Positions held in our world were top chef, best beautician, and most dependable day care provider; however, her most enduring titles will forever remain those of humble servant of God, dedicated mother, devoted grandmother, and forever friend. She was the kind of mother who led by example, made learning important, and instilled family unity as a firm foundation. At our school, she served as a “classroom parent” before the concept had even gained popularity. Her heart full of God’s love extended to other children as well as she cared for them as a foster parent. She lovingly opened her home to those in need.

Our sun set on October 7, 2010 when our Queen Bee peacefully entered into her eternal rest. She was preceded in death by James Peebles, her parents, and siblings Cleveland Thomas and Gerita Thomas.


Additional survivors include aunts Valeria Dixon and Mecky Lewis, niece Patricia Thomas, nephew Jerry Thomas (all of Alabama) and a host of great-grandchildren, other relatives and friends.
ORDER OF SERVICE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2010

Wake 11 AM · Funeral Service 12 Noon

HOPEWELL BAPTIST CHURCH
1301 Fillmore Avenue · Buffalo, New York 14211
Reverend Dennis Lee, Jr., Pastor

Hymn of Comfort

Scripture Readings
Old Testament: Psalm 23
New Testament: John 14:1-6

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Poem Readings
Ebony Nelson & Rayshawn Williams

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

INTERMENT
Forest Lawn Cemetery

"Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: For I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in."

MATTHEW 25:34-35
In Loving Memory of
BEULAH K. (PEEBLES) THOMAS

PSALM 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
he leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul:
he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine
enemies: thou anointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD
for ever.
Black angel I see your wings, black angel do you see me?
Black angel I see your shine, black angel you will always be mine.
Black angel always in my heart but still we will be apart.
Black angel your beauty shines like a rose on a vine,
Black angel please turn back time.
Black angel you are on my mind.
Black angel I love you dear, black angel please stay near.
Black angel you were my guardian on earth,
Now you guard me up in heaven no more earth.
Black angel please save room for me,
Black angel it is destiny.

Ebony (Baby Girl) Nelson
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

PALLBEARERS

Julian McNiell  William Jacob Nelson  James Peebles
Jermaine Peebles  Tony Peebles  Lamar Williams
Rayshawn Williams

THE CARE OF OUR LOVED ONE

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Buffalo, New York 14209

THANK YOU

Robert Schuller said that, “Our grief always brings a gift. It’s the
gift of greater sensitivity and compassion for others. We learn to
rise above our own grief by reaching out and lessening the grief of
others.” The family of Beulah Thomas expresses their heartfelt
gratitude to each and everyone who has reached out to lessen our
grief, may God bless you. Your gifts of sensitivity and
compassion have been a great source of comfort to us.

The Family of Beulah K. Peebles Thomas

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