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~~ "Goldie's" Final Words ~~

If my parting has left a void  
Then fill it with the remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss  
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow.  
I wish you sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full, I savored much  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your hearts and peace to thee  
God wanted me now, He set me free.

~ PALLBEARERS ~

KEVIN MOORE  
KENNETH MOORE  
FRED HALL

THOMAS PENNINGTON, JR.  
CARNELL YOUNG  
COREY YOUNG

~ AUSPICES ~

Lombardo Funeral Home  
102 Linwood Ave.  
Buffalo, NY 14209

~ LOVE GATHERING ~

Immediately following the services the family will receive all at:

The Pratt-Willert Center  
422 Pratt Street  
Between Sycamore and Genesee

*IN LOVING MEMORY*



*Goldean "Goldie" Pennington*

*Sunrise: January 7, 1935- Sunset: January 9, 2011*

*Saturday, January 15, 2011*

*Wake 10:00 a.m. – Service 11:00 a.m.*



*Lombardo Funeral Home  
102 Linwood Ave., Buffalo, NY 14209*

*Rev. Dennis Lee, Jr., Pastor*



~ OBITUARY ~

*Goldean "Goldie" Pennington, daughter of the late Thomas and Janie McElrath, was born January 7, 1935 in Woodruff, SC where her family had strong farming affiliations.*

*She was baptized and attended New Bethel High School, where she graduated from with honors. Goldie also attended North Carolina Central University, in Durham NC where she studied nursing.*

*Goldie was blessed with a glorious singing voice that led her to become a founding member of Lounge Memorial A.M.E. church in Buffalo, New York. She served on the woman's chorus and often volunteered in many roles. In 1955, Goldie was united in marriage to Harry Pennington in Buffalo, NY, where they made their home. Goldie was preceded in death by her husband, Harry on December 9, 1992.*

*Goldie was employed at Sisters of Charity Hospital, where she was a nurse, until her retirement after 22 years. After retirement, she moved to Florida, and became a resident of Boynton Beach, FL. She was a resident and community supporter of Palm Beach Leisureville. She also enjoyed gardening, traveling and the sunshine.*

*Goldie passed away peacefully after a long battle with cancer on Sunday, January 9, 2011, with her children by her side.*

*She is survived by her children: Harry, Jr., Tracy (Evelyn), Thomas (Frances) and Yolanda (James)  
Grandchildren: DeAndre, Latoya, Stacy, Lisa, Jennifer, Tracey, Jahar, Spencer, Deidre, Sade, Thomas, Jr. and Gavin  
Great-Grandchildren: Atreyu, Jayshon, Jasmine and SaNiye  
Siblings: Ruby Purnell and Betty Sheppard, both of Philadlephia, PA, Shirley Moore, Spring, TX and Doris McElrath, Buffalo, NY.*

*Goldie was preceded in death by: Gail (daughter), 3 brothers: James, Howard and Lawrence McElrath, and 2 sisters: Margaret Roddey and Mammie McElrath*

*She also leaves behind many nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends.*

~ ORDER OF SERVICE ~

PRAYER

SCRIPTURE.....OLD TESTAMENT (PSALM 23)  
NEW TESTAMENT (ST. JOHN 14:1-3)

SELECTION.....SOLO

CONDOLENCES

FAMILY AND FRIENDS (PLEASE LIMIT REMARKS TO 2 MINUTES)

OBITUARY .....MADEENA BROWN

SELECTION.....SOLO

EULOGY.....REV. DENNIS LEE, JR.

RECESSIONAL.....SOLO

~ INTERMENT ~

**FOREST LAWN CEMETERY  
BUFFALO, NEW YORK**

~ ACKNOWLEDGMENT ~

*The family wishes to thank everyone with deep appreciation, for the kindness during our great loss. Your many expressions of love, cards, emails and text messages were received with the deepest gratitude. Your kindness will be remembered always!*