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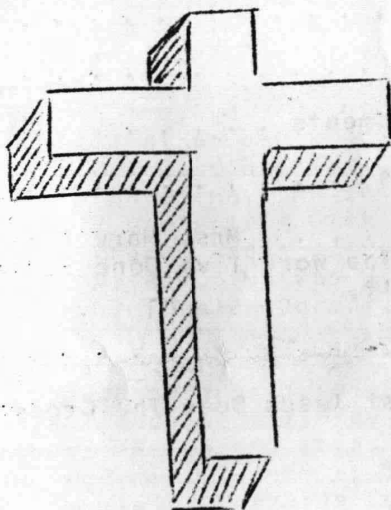
OBSEQUIES

of

ELBERT R. DURANT

1902

1974



Saturday, June 22, 1974 11:00 AM

BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH  
1525 Michigan Avenue  
Buffalo, New York

Reverend G. Grant Crumpley,  
Officiating

Interment  
Forest Lawn

PROGRAM

Processional . . . . .  
Hymn . . . I Come To The Garden Alone  
Prayer . . . . .  
Scripture . . . . .  
Acknowledgements . . . . .  
Resolutions . . . . .  
Solo . . . . . Mrs. Mary Ricks  
    May The Work I've Done Speak for  
    Itself.  
Obituary . . . . .  
Hymn    Must Jesus Bear The Cross Alone  
Eulogy  
Benediction  
Interment         Forest Lawn

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OBITUARY

Elbert R. Durant departed from this earthly scene June 18, 1974 at 12:15 AM. "There is no death...An angel's form walks over the earth with silent tread, and bears our loved ones away." The Giver just takes back his love ones unto Himself, after they have wrought such a beautiful pattern during their sojourn here. Elbert was born February 27, 1902 to Bunnion and Lillie Ann Durant in Manning, South Carolina. He confessed a hope in Christ at an early age and was baptized into Mt. Zero Baptist Church Manning, South Carolina. He came to Buffalo in 1927 and united with the Bethel A.M.E. Church under leadership of Rev. O. R. D. Walker. He was joined in Holy Matrimony to Oneida Durant.

He leaves to morn, a wife, Mrs. Oneida Durant, three daughters: Evelyn Brown, Delores Durant and Shirley Gray of Buffalo; three brothers, Ralph and James Durant of Buffalo, McCummel Durant of South Carolina, one sister Perzella Colon of Brooklyn, New York; two sons-in-law, eight grandchildren, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and a host of friends.

To know you was to love you  
Both family and friends  
You've left a memory we are proud  
to own.  
So treasure him Lord in your garden  
of Rest,  
For when on earth, He was the best.  
  
We all loved you, but God loved you  
best.

The family