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In Loving Memory of

Ethel Elaine King Coleman

Sunrise
October 11, 1949

Sunset
December 23, 2015

Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church
641 Masten Avenue
Buffalo, New York
Saturday, April 30, 2016
Service: 12:00 Noon

Pastor George F. Nicholas, Officiating
On December 23, 2015, Ethel Elaine King Coleman passed away peacefully in UAB'S CICU in Birmingham, AL after a long illness. She was born in Hattiesburg, Ms., the youngest of four children. She was a product of Hattiesburg schools and after graduating High School, attended Tougaloo College where she met and married Henry Coleman in 1971. Upon graduating with a Bachelors Degree in Education in 1972 she worked for a short-time in her chosen field of Education in Jackson, Ms. In 1973 with her husband and two month old son, they moved from Mississippi to the Buffalo, NY area (Tonawanda and Amherst). She worked from 1975 to 1980 for Nationwide Insurance as a Claims Adjuster, then moved from that career to the Chevrolet Division of General Motors in Buffalo where she was a Material Controls Scheduler. She left the corporate world in 1989 and focused on what she saw as more important, her role as mother and homemaker, for the rest of her life. She was a long-time member of Lincoln Memorial UMC in Buffalo where she was very active in several ministries including a mentoring program ("Breakfast & Basketball") on Saturday mornings for Inner-City young boys which she and her husband totally supported. She sang in the Emma J. Horner Chorale for many years, and also participated in plays and productions put on by the Church. Ethel always took her role as wife and mother very seriously and was very involved and supportive of her husbands' career and her sons' activities, including PTA and sports. Except for a two year period (Dayton, OH. 1993-1995) her life was in Buffalo until moving to Alabama in 2006. Ethel was a member of the Wednesday morning Bible Study group at St. Paul UMC, and also was a Volunteer with the United Way Senior Call-Line. A beautiful woman with a beautiful soul, she was a wonderful counselor to family and her many friends when needed, and was much admired and loved. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her and loved her. In Alabama she was a member of Christ Central UMC in Rainbow City AL and eventually attended St. Paul UMC in Birmingham. She was preceded in death by both parents Samuel and Louis King, a brother James King, and a sister Gwendolyn King Reed. She is survived by her husband of 45 years Henry M. Coleman, two sons, Christopher J. Coleman, Justin M. Coleman (Stefani), a grandson Mason Raymond Coleman, a granddaughter Eliana Grace Coleman, a sister Alice Fluker of Hattiesburg, Ms., eight sisters-in-law, one brother-in-law, and numerous nieces and nephews. A Memorial Service will be held in Buffalo, NY. Notice of the Memorial Service will be posted at a later time. In lieu of flowers or other considerations, donations may be made to the American Heart and Lung Association, or UAB Hospital in Birmingham, AL, or Jimmy Hale Missions, or The American Cancer Society.
To Wife

I could not have imagined you, but God did and sent me you! Words do not express my love for you, Ethel. I am blessed that you said "yes".

To my Love, my Life, my Wife.

From Husband

This is my message to Ethel for our last Anniversary in February 2015. We always wrote little notes on the card to each other.

Acknowledgements

We sincerely appreciate the services of the Bushelon Funeral Home Inc. of Birmingham, AL.

The Coleman Family wishes to express sincere thanks to all acts of kindness shown to us. We are forever grateful to our many friends who have helped us through these difficult times.

Please join the family in a Repast immediately following the memorial service.