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**MEMORIAL SERVICE**

— for —

WILBURN N. HAWKINS

April 8, 1915

March 13, 1995



Friday, March 17, 1995

**BETHEL A.M.E CHURCH**

1525 Michigan Avenue

Buffalo, New York 14209

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Rev. Dr. Simon P. Bouie, Pastor  
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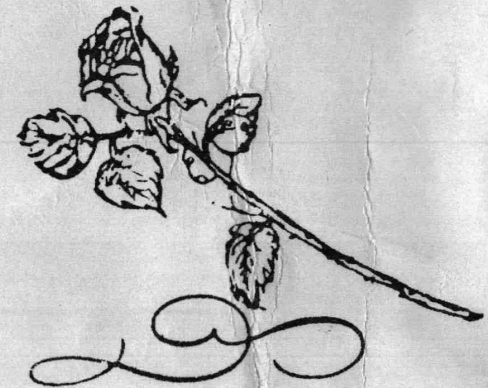
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The family of Wilburn N. Hawkins  
acknowledges all forms of kindness  
and sympathy shown during our  
bereavement. Thank you and God  
bless you all.



WHEN I MUST LEAVE YOU

When I must leave you for a little while,  
Please do not grieve and shed any tears,  
Or hug your sorrows to you through the years,  
But start out bravely with a gallant smile,  
And for my sake and in my name,  
Live on and do all things the same.  
Feed not your loneliness on empty days,  
But fill each working hour in useful ways.  
Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer,  
And I in turn will comfort you and hold you near  
And never, never be afraid to die,  
For I am waiting for you in the sky.



**OBITUARY**

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Wilburn N. Hawkins departed this life on Monday, March 13, 1995 at Veteran's Hospital.

He was born in Douglasville, Georgia, April 8, 1915 to the late Marion & Willie Mae Hawkins.

He served in the Armed Forces for 3½ years and moved to Buffalo in 1956. He worked at Acme Steel for 17 years, and retired in 1973.

Wilburn was a Member of Bethel A.M.E. Church under the leadership of Pastor Simon P. Bouie.

In August 1979, Wilburn married Jimmie Spencer.

Wilburn leaves to cherish his memories; his wife, Jimmie; two children; a step-daughter: Jessie Brown; five brothers: Hershell, Marion(Mildred), J.P.(Nadine), Robert(Celia), all of Buffalo, William(Sherry); one sister: Narace Gleanbar, all of Georgia; and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

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Organ Prelude

Processional

Prayer of Comfort

The Holy Scriptures:

Old Testament...Psalm 23  
New Testament...St. John 14:1-5

Selection:

"Precious Lord"

Acknowledgements & Obituary

Remarks

Selection:

"Amazing Grace"

Eulogy:

The Rev. Simon P. Bouie

Recessional:

"God Has Smiled On Me"

**PALL BEARERS**

Deacon Marion Hawkins

J.P. Hawkins

Robert Hawkins

Calvin Hawkins

Rev. Fred Jamison

Samuel Hawkins

Hershell, Jr.

**AUSPICES**

Thomas T. Edwards Funeral Home  
995 Genesee Street

**INTERMENT**

Forest Lawn Cemetery



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Rev.  
Elder