Obituary; 2006-03-17; Facen, Lurline

Bethel A.M.E. Church
What God Has Promised

God hath not promised skies always blue,
Flower-strewn pathways all our lives through;
God hath not promised sun without rain,
Joy without sorrow, peace without pain.
God hath not promised we shall not know
Toil and temptation, trouble and woe;
He hath not told us we shall not bear
Many a burden, many a care.
But God hath promised strength for the day,
Rest for the labor, light for the way,
Grace for the trials, help from above
Unfailing sympathy, undying love.

The Family

Arrangements Entrusted To
H. Alfred Lewis, Mortuary, Inc.
Buffalo, New York

Acknowledgement
The family of Lurline Facen wishes to acknowledge, with deep appreciation, the many comforting messages, floral tributes, prayer and many other expressions of kindness and concern evidenced at this time in thought and deed. A more personal acknowledgment will be made at a later date.
The Obituary

This is a day I know you thought you'd probably never see. It may be hard to believe, but this was in God's plan since September 21, 1921 when my life began.

God blessd me with two wonderful parents, Harvey and Cora Maddox. I was the youngest daughter. Now, I go to join those who left this life before me. My life was full of love and happiness, thanks to all of you.

I received my education in Luverne, Alabama at the Crenshaw County Training School. The greatest joy I had was when I met and married my beloved husband, Adolph Facen, November 25, 1939. Together, we had five children, Airlean, Mary Dean, Adolph Jr., Catherine and James Ira. My husband Adolph and two children, Adolph Jr. and Airlean preceded me in death.

Oh, how wonderful it was to have received Christ at an early age. I joined Athens AME Church in Alabama. Since coming to Buffalo, I became a member of Bethel AME Church, in 1947, under the leadership of Reverend D. Ormonde Walker. I was a faithful member for over sixty years until my health began to fail. I was a member of the Senior Missionary Unit, Trustee Board and Kings Daughters.

I Lurline Facen, affectionately called "mama" leave to cherish my memory two daughters, Mary Dean Anderson of Lilburn, GA and Catherine Jackson of Conyers, GA; one son, James (Denise) Facen of Buffalo, NY; one brother, John Mapson of Manhattan, NY; two sisters-in law, Janet Davis and Gaylor O'Neal of Buffalo, NY; one brother-in-law David Lee Fayson of Buffalo, NY; eighteen grandchildren, thirty-four great-grandchildren, fourteen great-great-granchildren and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

The Order Of Service

Prelude

Opening Sentences

Hymn

We Are Often Tossed and Driven

Prayer of Comfort

Scripture

Old Testament

Psalm 23 & Daniel 12:2-4

New Testament

I Thessalonians 5:13-18

Resolutions

Remarks (2 mins.)

Acknowledgements

Sister Carmen Green

Obituary

Sister Carmen Green

Solo

"Going Up Yonder"

Brother Lewis Anderson

Eulogy

Reverend Richard Allen Stenhouse

Recessional

"I'll Fly Away"

Interment

Forest Lawn Cemetery

Buffalo, New York