



Ethel Bee Reaves

October 10, 1930 - August 1, 2013

Ethel Bee (McKenzie) Reaves was born on October 10, 1930 to Robert and Fannie McKenzie in Lamar, Mississippi.

Ethel attended Old Salem High School. In 1958, she moved to Chicago, Illinois. Ethel married Elmon Lee Reaves Sr. on December 12, 1959. At a very young age after the death of her parents, she began to look after her eight brothers and two sisters. She never wanted to see her brothers and sisters split apart, so she stepped in and became their mom and best friend as well. Indeed that was a job well done!

Ethel began to study the Bible with Jehovah's Witnesses in 1961. She dedicated her life to Jehovah God and symbolized her dedication through water baptism in 1962, becoming one of Jehovah's Witnesses. Ethel was a Regular Pioneer who devoted her life to the full time Bible Ministry, preaching and teaching God's word to people from door to door and in their homes. She aided many people into the truth. Ethel remained a faithful servant of Jehovah for over 50 years until her death.

No doubt many of us remember Ethel Bee for making her delicious cakes! Ethel was an inspirational person and she was straight forward, though she seasoned her words with love.

On August 1, 2013, Ethel Bee fell asleep in death. She was preceded in death by her parents, Robert and Fannie; her siblings, Robert Lee, Charlie, St. Clair, Arthur, Willie, James and Queenie; and one son, Robert Louis McKenzie.

Ethel Bee leaves to cherish her memories, her husband, Elmon Lee Reaves Sr.; her children, Jannie (husband, Dan), Elmon Jr. (wife, Quadriah), Evelyn-niece, Teresa (husband, Lee) and Jackie (husband, Rickey); grandchildren, Tawanna, Dominique, Robert, Tatianna (husband, Peter), Desmond, Ebony, David, Caron, Daviuan and Danais; three siblings, Jearlean (husband, Henry Lee), Joe (wife, Elizabeth) and Eudell (wife, Carrie); ten great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, friends, and spiritual children who will miss her dearly.

Cemetery Details

Mount Hope Cemetery

11500 South Fairfield
Chicago, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 9. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

McCullough Funeral & Cremation Services
851 East 75th Street
Chicago, IL 60619
(773) 488-8900
info@mcculloughfuneralservices.com

Visitation

AUG 10. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses (41st)
4157 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, IL

Service

AUG 10. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ethel Bee Reaves*

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“ *James Lawlor and Shea Law Group purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Ethel Bee Reaves.*



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