



Ethel Ray Leatherman

October 25, 1913 - September 23, 2010

Ethel Ray Leatherman, age 96, of Bowling Green, KY, died Thursday, September 23, 2010, at her residence in Bowling Green, KY. Mrs. Leatherman was employed by R.B. Hayes Elementary and Anthony Wayne Elementary, Cleveland, Ohio. Ethel was an educator for over 30 years; she retired from teaching in 1977. She was also a former member of St. John A.M.E. Church, she joined there in 1955 in Ohio. Ethel was a dedicated and active member of Taylor Chapel A.M.E. Church; where she faithfully served ; Missionary Society, Rainbow Circle, Lay Organization and on the Stewardess & Steward Member. She became a member of Delta Sigma Theta in 1937 and a lifetime member; she was president of her sorority while attending Kentucky State University; where she remained an active alumni member. She pursued her masters degree from Case Western Reserve University . Ethel was also a lifetime member of the NAACP.

Ethel was the daughter of the late; William Henry (Bud) Ray and the late Huntley Patterson Ray.

She was married to the late Dr. Charles H. Leatherman. Preceding her in death sisters & brother

Alice Ray Starks, Mary Ray, Hannah Ray, Emma Ray & Shelby Ray.

She is survived by her cousins: Rebecca Fishback, Oakland, KY, Lola Mills, Glasgow, KY, Jenny Lash, Indianapolis, Indiana, Marie Bibbs, Bowling Green, KY, Johnny Young, Franklin, KY and James Hockersmith, Jr, Bowling Green, KY; special friend; Joy Day, Bowling Green, KY; Caregivers: Johnnita

Holman, Joyce Ferguson, Charlene Maxwell, Brenda Kimbro and Velda Davidson; Godsons: Richard (Iris) Jewell, Chicago, Il and Charles "Chuckie" Collins, Hudson,Ohio and a host of extended family and friends.

Expressions of Sympathy : Ethel Leatherman Scholarship Fund and Bowling Green Alumni Chapter-Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

Arrangements are being handled by Burnam & Son Mortuary,Inc., 201 Center Street, Bowling Green, KY .Visitation 4:00PM-8:00PM Monday, September 27, 2010 at Burnam & Son Mortuary,Inc 201 Center,St. Funeral services 1:00PM Tuesday, September 28, 2010 at Taylor Chapel A.M.E. Church, 503 Clay Street,Bowling Green, KY. Interment will be at Mount Moriah Cemetery, Bowling Green, KY. Online condolences: www.burnamandsonmortuary.com

Cemetery Details

Mount Moriah Cemetery

1209 Fairview Avenue
Bowling Green, KY 42101

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 27. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Burnam & Son Mortuary, Inc.
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Bowling Green, KY 42101
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Life Celebration

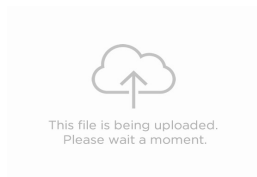
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Taylor Chapel AME Church
503 Clay Street
Bowling Green, KY 42101

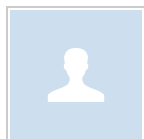
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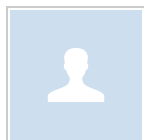


Burnam & Son Mortuary, Inc. - November 18, 2010 at 08:13 AM



“ *My heart has been filled with wonderful memories of the joyful times spent with Ethel, Hunt, Alice, Mae and Shelby. They were my extended family growing up. God has now called her home to be with her family eternally. With her loving smile, may she rest in peace forever.##imported-begin##Shirley Sanders##imported-end##*

October 09, 2010 at 09:33 AM



“ *In honor of my cousin and Soror Ethel Leatherman. This is just a note to say she will truly be missed and she has left a legacy for our family to follow. She was very intelligent and educated and carried herself with grace and dignity right to the end of a long blessed life. She will never be forgotten. God bless you Cousin Ethel.##imported-begin##Tina & Dee Johnson and daughters##imported-end##*

September 28, 2010 at 10:03 PM



“ Chynna and I send our prayers and love to our family in this time of loss. Cousin Ethel was a beautiful, loving person. Her wit and wisdom shined brightly. I'll always admire her spunk, intelligence, and sense of being. She truly was a woman of character and claim. Her transition touched the heart of many. God rest her soul.##imported-begin##Valerie and Chynna Toliver##imported-end##

September 28, 2010 at 06:14 PM



“ Please accept my condolences on the homegoing of Soror Leatherman. I had the honor and privilege of meeting her some years ago, and she was a sincere delight.

I am praying for your strength as this soldier goes home to be with the Lord.

God bless you.##imported-begin##Melanie E. Nunn##imported-end##

September 28, 2010 at 08:59 AM



“ ##imported-begin##Winifred Beck Johnson##imported-end##

September 28, 2010 at 08:40 AM



“ ##imported-begin##Tyrone & Cheri Travis##imported-end##

September 27, 2010 at 09:39 PM



“ *From the Beckley/Cunningham Family
Both Carolyn and Lisa send our condolences, our prayers are with
you all*

Love ya All

*Daughter and Granddaughter of Bobby and Cylda Marie
Bibbs.##imported-begin##Lisa Beckley##imported-end##*

September 27, 2010 at 06:07 PM



“ *My condolences go out to the family and friends of Soror Ethel Ray
Leatherman.##imported-begin##Myesha Hollins##imported-end##*

September 27, 2010 at 12:31 PM



“ *Family & friends, My deepest, heartfelt condolences to
all.##imported-begin##Chad L. Shockley##imported-end##*

September 27, 2010 at 11:08 AM



“ *##imported-begin##Myesha Hollins##imported-end##*

September 27, 2010 at 09:51 AM



“ To the bereaved family of Sis. Leatherman, The member's & Pastor extend our deepest and heart felt condolences to each of you. May God continue to shine his love down on each of you. We will continue to keep each of you lifted up in our prayer's.

Sis. Tina Fant, Church Clerk
Rev. Charles L. Fishback, Pastor###imported-begin##Mt. Union
Missionary Baptist Church###imported-end##

September 26, 2010 at 08:45 AM



“ May the Leatherman family find comfort in knowing that God is "near to those that are broken at heart; and those who are crushed in spirit he saves." (Psalm 34;18) He has promised to soon "swallow up death forever...and wipe the tears from all faces." (Isaiah 25;8) With deepest sympathy,###imported-begin##valerie thompson###imported-end##

September 25, 2010 at 05:24 AM



“ Condolences to Family and Friends.
We loved you but God loved you best.###imported-begin##Wathetta
Buford###imported-end##

September 24, 2010 at 01:04 PM



“ ###imported-begin##Wathetta Buford###imported-end##

September 24, 2010 at 01:00 PM



“ *The staff of Burnam & Son extend our deepest condolences to you and your family on the passing of your loved one. Please accept our heartfelt sympathy for your loss. May our thoughts and prayers provide comfort to your family during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Burnam & Son Mortuary##imported-end##*

September 24, 2010 at 04:21 AM