Homegoing Celebration

For

Mrs. Ethel Lee Dunn Bridges

Sunrise
Friday, January 7, 1938

Sunset
Thursday, February 24, 2005

Three O'clock Post Meridian
Sunday, February 27, 2005

Greater Mount Canaan Missionary Baptist Church
Augusta, Georgia

Dr. Victor R. Thomas
~ Order of Service ~
Presiding - Dr. Victor Thomas

PROCESSIONAL ....................... Clergy, family & friends

SCRIPTURES:
Old Testament ...................... Dr. Robert Leverett
New Testament ..................... Pastor GeHazel Williams

PRAYER .................................. Rev. Nathaniel Irvin

SELECTION .......................... Voice of Canaan Choir

REMARKS
As a church member. ............. Sis. Dommie Williams
As a friend. .......................... Sis. Mavis Williams

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS ............... Sis. Louise Ryans

SELECTION .......................... Voice of Canaan Choir

EULOGY ............................... Dr. Victor Thomas

RECESSIONAL ....................... Clergy, family & friends

INTERMENT
Hill Crest Memorial Gardens

REPAST
The family will receive friends at the
Greater Mount Canaan Fellowship Hall
God looked around the garden, and found an empty space. He looked down upon the earth, and saw your tired face. He put his arms around you, and lifted you to rest. God’s garden must be beautiful for he only takes the best. He knew that you were weary, and he knew you were in pain. He knew that you would never be well on earth again. He saw the roads were getting rough, and the hills were hard to climb. So He closed your weary eyelids, and whispered peace be thine.
Mrs. Ethel Lee Dunn Bridges was born in Augusta, Georgia on Friday, January 7, 1938 to the late Hill Dunn Sr, and Annie Mae Young Dunn. She answered God call on Thursday, February 24, 2005 in the University Hospital Augusta, Georgia.

She attended school in Richmond County. At an early age Ethel joined and was baptized at the Solid Rock Baptist Church. She later united with the Greater Mount Canaan Missionary Baptist Church and faithfully served until her death. She was a devoted member of the following organizations: Mission, Pastor Support Ministry (President, four years), Silver Stars and other ministries of the church and in the community. Ethel was a servant of God and worked faithfully in the Church even after her illness.

She retired from Gracewood State School and Hospital after 32 years of dedicated service. After retirement she continued her fellowship with the Second Thursday Friends Club.

Ethel was united in Holy Matrimony to Lee Wood Bridges Sr, on March 26, 1969. They enjoyed over 32 years of love, laughter and fellowship. They were blessed with seven Children. One preceded her in death Melvin Kenneth Dunn. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. She was a kind friend to many that knew her. She was an example of faithful courage as she endured the trials that her condition sent her.

She leaves to cherish fond memories her loving and devoted husband Lee Wood Bridges Sr. of the home; four daughters, Deborah D. Turner and Cynthia D. Burton of Augusta, Georgia; Sheila F. Dunn (Griffin) of Grovetown, Georgia; Tonya A. Core (Hugh) of Atlanta, Georgia; two sons, Adam Johnson, Jr. of Atlanta, Georgia; Lee W. Bridges, Jr. (Tiffany) of Augusta, Georgia; daughter-in-law Mary Dunn wife of deceased son Melvin Kenneth Dunn of Augusta, Georgia; thirteen grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren, two sisters, Jennie D. Collins (Gary), Willie A. Jackson both of Augusta, Georgia; one brother, James B. Dunn (Rosa) of Thomson, Georgia; one aunt, Bessie McCray of New York; one brother-in-law, George Bridges of North Carolina; three sister-in-laws, Mamie R. Dean and Margaret L. Dunn both of New York; Annie Mae Williams of New Jersey; Virginia D. Jones of North Carolina; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and sorrowing friends.

"Oh how we wanted you to stay. But, when we saw you sleeping, so peaceful and free from pain. How could we wish you back with us. It broke our hearts to lose you, but you didn't go alone; for part of us went with you, The Morning God called you home."

Your Children
"When Tomorrow Starts Without Me"

When tomorrow starts without me
And I'm not there to see
If the sun should rise and find your eyes
All filled with tears for me
I wish so much you wouldn't cry
The way you did today
While thinking of the many things
We didn't get to say
I know how much you love me
As much as I love you
And each time that you think of me
I know you'll miss me too
But when tomorrow starts without me
Please try to understand
That an angel came and called my name
And took me by the hand
And when I thought of worldly things
I might miss come tomorrow
I thought of you and when I did
My heart was filled with sorrow
But when I walk through heaven's gates
I felt so much at home
When God looked down and smiled at me
From His golden throne
So when tomorrow starts without me
Don't think we're far apart
For every time you think of me
I'm right there in your heart
"A Loving Message For My Wife"

My wife my very own you have stole my heart
You are spring in the garden,
a fountain of pure water in a refreshing stream.
What if I could have sixty queens, eighty wives
and a thousand others, you would be my
only choice my flawless dove.
Your charms are more powerful
than all the stars above.
My love for you cannot be drowned by
oceans or floods. It cannot be bought
no matter what is offered.

Your loving husband Bridges

~ Pallbearers (Active) ~
Deacon Alexander Bentley
Christopher Johnson
Deacon Charles Murray

Trustee Gary Connie
Deacon Wesley Johnson
Mr. Charles Williams

~ Honorary Pallbearers ~
Greater Mount Canaan Pastor Support Ministry

~ Flower Bearers ~
Greater Mount Canaan Missionary

~ Honorary Flower Bearers ~
Missionary Society
Second Thursday Friends
Silver Star

~ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS~
The family extends sincere appreciation for the sustaining love and
support given us during our bereavement. Your prayers, visits and
acts of kindness will strengthen us. May God forever bless and
keep each one of you.

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