

**PALLBEARERS**

Young Men of St. Matthew Baptist Church

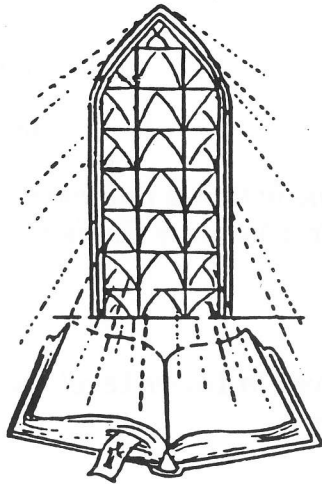
**FLOWERBEARERS**

Young Ladies of St. Matthew Baptist Church

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

We wish to thank all who have been so kind to us during this, our hour of bereavement. We have sustained a great loss, but your kindness has been very comforting to us. We want you to know that we are deeply moved and grateful for your expressions of love and sympathy. We also thank you for your prayers.

The Family



Arrangements entrusted to  
**House of Wheat Funeral Home, Inc.**

*"Those Who Know Service Know Wheat"*

2107 North Gettysburg Avenue

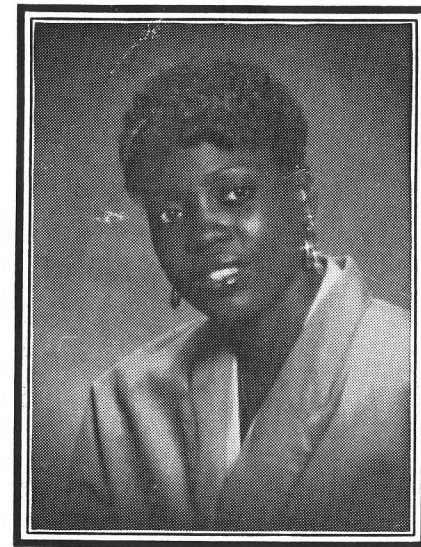
Dayton, Ohio 45406-3515

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*In Loving Memory  
of  
Mary E. Battle*

July 5, 1968

June 25, 1992



**Service**

Wednesday, July 1, 1992

11:00 A.M.

**ST. MATTHEW MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

5027 Eichelberger Avenue

Dayton, Ohio

**REVEREND JAMES G. FULLENWILEY, Officiating**

## Obituary

**MS. MARY E. BATTLE**, age 23, passed away Thursday, June 25, 1992 at Miami Valley Hospital. She was a native Daytonian and a member of St. Matthew Missionary Baptist Church.

She leaves to cherish her memory: her mother and step-father, Elizabeth and Deacon Joseph Bailey; father, Joseph Battle; sisters and brother-in-law, Josephine (Steve) Goldsmith, Janice Battle, Jo Lucurce Bailey, of Dayton; paternal grandmother, Zula Battle; maternal grandmother, Leola Zachary; two nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

### MAY I GO

May I go now? Do you think the time is right?  
 May I say good-bye to pain filled days and endless lonely  
 nights?  
 I've lived my life and done my best, an example tried to be.  
 So can I take that step beyond and set my spirit free?  
 I didn't want to go at first. I fought with all my might.  
 But something seems to draw me now to a warm and  
 loving light.  
 I want to go. I really do. It's difficult to stay.  
 But I will try as best I can to live just one more day.  
 To give you time to care for me and share your love  
 and fears.  
 I know you're sad and afraid, because I see your tears.  
 I'll not be far, I promise that, and hope you'll always know  
 that my spirit will be close to you, wherever you may go.  
 Thank you so for loving me. You know I love you too,  
 that's why it's hard to say good-bye and end this life  
 with you.  
 So hold me now, just one more time and let me hear  
 you say,  
 because you care so much for me, you'll let me go today.

Susan A. Jackson

## Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL	Family and Friends
SOLO	Steve Goldsmith "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"
OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE	Rev. James Stringer
NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE	Rev. Emerson Williams
PRAYER	Rev. James Riggins, Jr.
SELECTION	St. Matthew Baptist Church Choir
OBITUARY, ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, TELEGRAMS and TRIBUTES	Troy Williams
SELECTION	St. Matthew Baptist Church Choir
REMARKS	Pulpit Ministers
EULOGY	Rev. J. G. Fullenwiley
RECESSIONAL	Family and Friends
Benediction & Interment West Memory Gardens	

Dinner will be served in Lower Level, right after returning from grave site.

