



**An Eternal Memory
... *Until We Meet Again***

Those special memories of you
will always bring a smile
if only I could have you back
for just a little while
Then we could sit and talk again
just like we used to do
you always meant so very much
and always will do too
The fact that you're no longer here
will always cause me pain
but you're forever in my heart
until we meet again

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

The family of *Ethel Mae Elizabeth Bess* wish to
acknowledge with deep appreciation the many
expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to
them during this hour of bereavement.
May God Bless and Keep You!

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A Sacred Journey

***ETHEL MAE ELIZABETH
BESS***

April 16, 1926 ~ August 9, 2017



*My flesh and my heart faileth: but GOD is
the strength of my heart and my portion
for ever. (Psalms 73:26)*

Order of Service

Saturday, August 12, 2017 | 3:00pm

Mt Pleasant Baptist Church

1420 Crowders Mountain Road | Bessemer City, NC

Reverend Gregory Floyd, Officiating

Processional: Clergy | Family | Friends

Reception of Friends : 2:30pm- 3:00pm

Intro (Genesis Staff) | 2:50pm-3:00pm

Call to Worship | Reverend Gregory Floyd

Hymn “ *Blessed Assurance*” | Choir

Scripture Reading

Old Testament | Reverend John Houze

New Testament | Reverend Elaine Childers

Prayer of Comfort | Reverend Thurman Clark

Selection “ *I Told The Storm*” | Sonya Jackson

Remarks

Reading of Obituary

Selection “ *Lord Its In Your Hands*”

Colette Watkins

Words of Comfort | Reverend Gregory Floyd

Benediction | Reverend Gregory Floyd

Recessional

Interment

Vestibule A.M.E. Zion Church Cemetery

Floral Bearers | Family Friends

Pall Bearers | Family Friends

“OUR QUEEN”



Ethel Mae Elizabeth Bess

Ms. Ethel Mae Elizabeth Bess peacefully transitioned on Wednesday, August 9, 2017 at

Testa Family Hospice House in Kings Mountain, NC surrounded by family. She was born on April 16, 1926 in Kings Mountain, NC to the late Rainey Bess and Sara Saddler Beam.

Ethel was a longtime faithful member of Vestibule A.M.E. Zion Church, where she served on the Usher Board and Missionary Board, until her declining health prevented her from participating.

She was a loving mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, cousin and friend.

In addition to her parents, Ethel was preceded in death by a son, Jerry Bess, a daughter, Delilah Bess, two sisters, Rosa Lee Bess and Cleo Bess Adams and a brother, John Lloyd Bess.

Ethel leaves to cherish fond and loving memories, six daughters; Dorothy Mae Bess of Hickory, NC, Edna Bess Roberts, Daisy Bess Tate (James), Charlotte Ann Bess, all of King Mountain, NC, Betty Bess Brown (George), Shirley Bess Miller, all of Bessemer City, NC , one son, Thomas Bess of Gastonia, NC; two brothers, Kara Bess (Linda) of Grover, NC and Robert “Sap” Bess of Kings Mountain, NC, 32 grandchildren, 54 great-grandchildren, 22 great-great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, loved ones, friends and a loving church family.