



Alice M. Betton

November 8, 1917 - June 3, 2020

Alice Mae Betton was born Alice Mae Jackson on November 8, 1917 in Cotton Plant, Arkansas to Earl and Laura Jackson. She is one of twelve children (Artelia, Estelle, Geneva, Arlitra, Earlene, Willester, James, Ann Marie, Ruby, Rosie, and Katherine). James, Ruby and Rosie survived their sister Alice. Alice met her would be husband, George Betton, in Arkansas where they married. While in Arkansas they gave birth to their oldest daughter, Georgia. Alice & George then moved to Minnesota where their middle child, Donna was born. From Minnesota they decided to make Chicago their home which is where the baby daughter was born, Darlene.

Alice worked nights at W.F. Hall Printing Company and attended Phillips High School where she obtained her diploma. As a young woman Alice was good in sports - especially basketball. She enjoys telling the story that unlike the young women (and some men) nowadays, she was good enough to shoot the basketball backwards with her back to the hoop - and make the shot.

Alice accepted Christ at an early age. Once she moved to Chicago, she was a faithful member of Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church for over 60 years.

She sang in the choir, was active in the Church Teas, loved studying her Bible, and listening to church radio broadcasts.

Alice loved to play bid whist. She was a great cook and made the best peach cobbler in the world!! Alice's favorite beverage was Christian Brothers brandy. Good food, peach cobbler, and brandy - who could beat that for a great family gathering!

Alice, nicknamed Big Babe, was a very strong woman and possessed a lot of love and compassion for her family and friends. She also had a great sense of humor. While living at the assisted living facility, one of the men asked Alice if he could take her out on a date. He was about 30-40 years her junior. He hesitated for her response. She told him, "No - you're too old." They both got a big laugh!

Alice made her peaceful transition on Wednesday, June 3, 2020. She is survived by her daughters, Georgia, Donna and Darlene (Owen), 5 grandchildren, Lynn, Sharon, Kim (Al), Tara, Lisa, 2 great-grandchildren, Paige and Peyton, and one great-great grandchild, Andreas Lee, and a host of nieces and nephews. Husband George passed away in March 1996.

Cemetery Details

Cedar Park Cemetery

12540 South Halsted Street
Riverdale, IL

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JUN 11. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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Visitation

JUN 12. 12:30 PM (CT)

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Service

JUN 12. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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PJ

Praying for The Family 🙏🙏🙏 God bless you all.

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DC

Beautiful service. 🙏

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“ Alice M. Betton

October 09, 2023 at 04:52 AM

JC

“ Janice Canty lit a candle in memory of Alice M. Betton



Janice Canty - June 12, 2020 at 02:07 PM

CJ

“ I had the pleasure to meet you many years ago through your daughter Darlene at one of Pullman's Men's Breakfast that they often held each year. Though we did not personally share much, I appreciated seeing in you what I loved about the daughter (Darlene) that I did and do know. You were a remarkable mother and you live on through each of them (i.e. Donna and Georgia).
I also remember your generosity. Through your daughter I received 2-3 wonderful suits you no longer needed, but were in excellent condition, and for a couple of years I was able to wear them before gaining weight and had to share them with another as I know you would have me do.
I hope that while you were here, I, in some small way contributed to your Joy and comfort thru goodies I knew you could have and enjoy with Darlene when she brought them, and with your roommates and care providers. I will miss that, because I miss you and the videos, and I will be here for your girls that need me. Rest in peace and enjoy the return to your Father. I give thanks for the memories.
Connie

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