

In Loving Memory





January 10, 1939

April 28, 2004

Rosie Mae (Walton) Hardin "Chicken"

> Home Going Celebration Wednesday, May 5, 2004 Eleven O'clock A.M.

Metropolitan Baptist Church 1920 Broadway Gary, Indiana

- Officiating - Rev. Charles Thompson, Pastor





Obituary

osie Mae, affectionately called "Chicken" was the second child born to the late Henry and Irene Walton, on January 10, 1939 in Como, Mississippi. It was there she confessed her faith in Christ at an early age.

After graduating from Walton Chapel High School in 1957, she moved to Gary, Indiana. In Gary she met her loving husband, Jimmie Lee Hardin, Sr. (who always called her his "Blackberry Pie"). They were married May 17, 1959 and to this union four loving children were born.

She joined Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church where she sang in the choir. Later, she moved her membership to Metropolitan Baptist Church under the pastorate of Rev. Dr. Floyd E. Dumas, Sr. She was a faithful and devoted member and choir member. She loved the Lord, her church family and her pastors, Rev. Dr. Floyd E. Dumas, Sr. (Pastor Emeritus) and Rev. Charles Thompson (current pastor).

Rosie Mae always enjoyed singing the Lord praises from early childhood to adulthood. Singing was her passion, especially while cooking and cleaning.

Beside her parents, she was preceded in death by her loving husband, Jimmie Lee Hardin, Sr. She leaves to cherish her memory, four children; E'Nez Hardin-Crice of Gary, Indiana, Ephrem M. (Monet) Hardin, Sr. of Charlotte, North Carolina, Elliot (Lela) Hardin of Camden, Delaware and E'Lisha Hardin of Newark, Delaware; four caring stepchildren, Martha L. (Louis) Freeney of Gary, Indiana, Jimmie Lee Hardin, Jr., Clarence Eugene (Mary) Hardin, both of Jackson, Tennessee and Freddie (Adrienne) Hanns of Aurora, Colorado; six loving grandchildren, Montrell J. Castro, Elliot C. Hardin, Ephrem M. Hardin, Jr., Sean A. Hardin, JaNese M. Grice and Epiphany K. Hardin; one loving sister, Pearl Mae Walton of Gary, Indiana and two loving brothers, Edmond (Pearl) Walton, Sr., of Gary, Indiana and Vander (Alma Jean) Walton of Sardis, Mississippi; one sister-in-law, Willie Mae (Ewell) Madry, Sr. of South Haven, Michigan; one brother-in-law, John T. (Edna) Hardin, Jr. of Jackson, Tennessee; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.